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Session 1: Word List

- cliff** *n.* a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
synonym: crag, escarpment, precipice
(1) a bold **cliff**, (2) **cliff** diving
He stood at the edge of the **cliff** and looked out to sea.
- underrepresented** *adj.* not adequately or proportionately represented, often in terms of a particular group, population, or perspective being excluded or marginalized
synonym: belittled, marginalized, disadvantaged
(1) feel **underrepresented**, (2) **underrepresented** data
Underrepresented communities need more support and resources to achieve equity.
- eye-opener** *n.* something surprising or enlightening, making one more aware of something previously unknown or misunderstood
synonym: revelation, eye-catcher, enlightening experience
(1) **eye-opener** experience, (2) **eye-opener** book
The documentary was an **eye-opener** about the effects of climate change on our planet.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

ceiling

n. a room's top interior surface

synonym: canopy, awning, shelter

(1) **ceiling** board, (2) **ceiling** light

There was a crack in the **ceiling** that I found.

invisible

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

synonym: hidden, imperceptible, unseen

(1) an **invisible** asset, (2) **invisible** stars

The phenomenon is **invisible** at optical wavelengths.

breakthrough

n. a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem

synonym: advance, progress, innovation

(1) **breakthrough** in the negotiations, (2) **breakthrough** discovery

A technique called deep learning has led to **breakthroughs** in AI.

barrier

n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

synonym: border, barricade, fence

(1) cost **barrier**, (2) information **barrier**

The police placed a **barrier** across the street to halt traffic.

absolute

adj. perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

synonym: complete, infrangible, indisputable

(1) **absolute** loyalty, (2) an **absolute** must

Gandhi had an **absolute** zeal for nonviolence.

pinnacle

n. the highest point or peak of something, particularly a mountain or a career; the greatest or highest level of achievement or success

synonym : summit, peak, apex

(1) architectural **pinnacle**, (2) reached the **pinnacle**

Climbing to the **pinnacle** of the mountain is a challenge that many outdoor enthusiasts strive to achieve.

underneath

adv. under or below something else

synonym : below, under, beneath

(1) **underneath** the surface of the water, (2) **underneath** the laughter

The penny fell **underneath** the piano.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym : fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

onward

adj. moving or continuing forward; progressing

synonym : forward, continuing, progressing

(1) **onward** journey, (2) **onward** progress

When traveling to some countries, you may be required to show proof of an **onward** ticket as a condition of entry.

upward

adv. toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher place

synonym : skyward, uphill

(1) look **upward**, (2) demonstrate an **upward** trend

The company adjusted the revenue **upward**.

teeter

v. to move or balance unsteadily, often in a way that suggests instability or danger; to waver or vacillate between two positions, opinions, or attitudes

synonym : wobble, totter, sway

(1) **teeter** on the edge, (2) **teeter** on the brink

The drunk man tried to **teeter** along the narrow bridge, almost falling into the river.

context

n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

synonym : background, setting, environment

(1) historical **context**, (2) legal **context**

It's important to understand the **context** of a situation before making a decision.

racial

adj. of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

synonym : ethnic, tribal, ethnical

(1) **racial** prejudice, (2) **racial** and ethnic backgrounds

A minor **racial** conflict later led to a civil war.

margin

n. the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

synonym : edge, border, periphery

(1) **margin** error, (2) a profit **margin**

Unfortunately, the book's **margin** was too small to make notes.

essentially

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

synonym : fundamentally, basically, virtually

(1) **essentially** correct, (2) become **essentially** same

Essentially, a society is an organism.

release

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

synonym : free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back

into the wild.

headline

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

synonym: title, caption

(1) **headline** article, (2) banner **headline**

The engagement of the two golf players became **headline** news.

hindrance

n. an obstacle or barrier that prevents progress or interferes with accomplishing a task or goal

synonym: obstacle, impediment, barrier

(1) **hindrance** to progress, (2) logistical **hindrance**

The language barrier can be a **hindrance** to effective communication.

conclude

v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

synonym: complete, finish, decide

(1) **conclude** a meeting, (2) **conclude** that he is healthy

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym: completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

stomp

v. to walk heavily and noisily, often with a rhythmical sound; to dance with a rhythmical step

synonym: trample, tread, dance

(1) **stomp** off to the room, (2) **stomp** on his foot

The children **stomped** their feet in time to the music.

boardroom

n. a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets

synonym: meeting room, conference room, executive room

(1) **boardroom** meeting, (2) **boardroom** decision

The corporate **boardroom** was filled with tense silence as the CEO presented the new plan.

appoint

v. to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place

synonym: designate, assign, name

(1) **appoint** members, (2) **appoint** the day

The court **appointed** a guardian for the child.

consistent

adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

synonym: coherent, constant, compatible

(1) do on a **consistent** basis, (2) get **consistent** results

You are not **consistent** in your behavior.

reputation

n. the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors

synonym: fame, standing, esteem

(1) **reputation** risk, (2) cloud his **reputation**

She has a good **reputation** for being one of the best chefs in the city.

scandal

n. an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage

synonym: controversy, outrage, uproar

(1) **scandal** magazine, (2) a corruption **scandal**

The political **scandal** rocked the nation and led to the resignation of several high-ranking officials.

tarnish

v. to become dull or discolored from exposure to elements or from being damaged or neglected; to damage or detract from someone's reputation or image

synonym: mar, stain, blemish

(1) **tarnish** reputation, (2) **tarnish** brass

Leaving the silver in the open air caused it to **tarnish** and lose its shine.

valuation

n. an estimation of the worth or value of something

synonym: assessment, appraisal, estimation

(1) **valuation** report, (2) high **valuation**

The **valuation** of the company was estimated to be billions of dollars.

profit

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

synonym: earnings, gain, proceeds

(1) gross **profit**, (2) make a **profit**

This business yields little **profit**.

appointment

n. a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility

synonym: assignment, selection, commission

(1) **appointment** calendar, (2) take up an **appointment**

We had to reschedule the dentist's **appointment**.

fortune

n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

synonym: wealth, affluence, assets

(1) ill **fortune**, (2) bit of good **fortune**

Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal **fortune**.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

narrative

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

synonym : the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**

The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

compound

n. an item composed of two or more distinct elements combined; a chemical formed by the combination of two or more elements

synonym : combination, mixture, blend

(1) aquatic **compound**, (2) harmful **compound**

Common salt is a sodium and chlorine **compound**.

intern

v. to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

synonym : apprentice, trainee, student

(1) **intern** civilians, (2) medical **intern**

The navy **interned** ships of defeated nations.

patriarchal

adj. relating to or characteristic of a society or system in which men hold the dominant roles and positions of power; male-dominated

synonym : male-dominated, paternalistic

(1) **patriarchal** society, (2) **patriarchal** government

The **patriarchal** system that many societies have is outdated and unfair to women.

caregiving

n. the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly

synonym : nurturing, caring, assisting

(1) **caregiving** process, (2) **caregiving** responsibilities

She devoted her life to **caregiving**, looking after her aging parents.

nurture

v. to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

synonym: boost, cultivate, enable

(1) **nurture** love, (2) **nurture** his talents

Schools should **nurture** children's mutual interest spirit.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym: alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power

My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

perceive

v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

synonym: sense, discern, feel

(1) **perceive** a threat, (2) **perceive** light

Australia is widely **perceived** as having low levels of corruption.

engage

v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

synonym: confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,

(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

workforce

n. all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.

synonym: labor pool, manpower

(1) skilled **workforce**, (2) the **workforce** is on strike

Many companies outsource and hire consultants to keep their **workforce** flexible.

motivate

v. to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort

synonym: boost, encourage, inspire

(1) **motivate** the students, (2) all ability to **motivate**
The ability to **motivate** people is a priceless asset.

hire

v. to give somebody a job
synonym: employ, engage, lease

(1) **hire** a guide, (2) **hire** a car by the hour
We should always be prepared to **hire** talented recruits.

paraphrase

v. to restate or reword a passage in one's own words, often to clarify or simplify the original meaning
synonym: rephrase, reword, reinterpret

(1) **paraphrase** a poem into prose, (2) **paraphrase** the meaning
He **paraphrased** the article in his own words to avoid being accused of plagiarism.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior
(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd
She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

disposable

adj. designed to be used once and then thrown away
synonym: throwaway, single-use, expendable
(1) total **disposable** income, (2) **disposable** camera
I prefer using **disposable** razors because they are more convenient.

expendable

adj. able to be consumed, used up, or sacrificed without consequence; dispensable or disposable; unnecessary or redundant
synonym: disposable, dispensable, replaceable
(1) **expendable** income, (2) **expendable** assets
In war, those in power often view soldiers as **expendable** resources.

scapegoat

v. to unfairly blame or punish someone for the misdeeds or mistakes of others, often to deflect attention or avoid

accountability; (noun) a person or group that is unfairly blamed for the problems or misfortunes of others, typically to divert attention or responsibility from the actual cause

synonym : blame, accuse, fault

(1) **scapegoat** the new employee, (2) political **scapegoat**
Some politicians try to **scapegoat** specific groups of people to distract from their shortcomings.

scenario

n. a description of possible actions or events in the future; a written outline of a play, film, or literary work

synonym : plan, scheme, procedure

(1) the worst case **scenario**, (2) number of different **scenarios**

The president prepared several possible **scenarios** for an enemy attack.

blame

v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

synonym : condemn, rebuke, find fault with

(1) **blame** circumstances for the failure, (2) **blame** the lack of knowledge

We **blamed** our impeded progress on lack of money.

import

v. to bring goods or services into a country from another country; to transfer electronic data into a database or document;

synonym : bring, spell

(1) **import** goods, (2) **import** a style sheet

The company **imports** raw materials from other countries to manufacture its products.

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym : substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone
Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

savior

n. a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth

synonym : hero, rescuer, redeemer

(1) political **savior**, (2) pray to the **savior**

The guru of that religion thought of himself as a **savior**.

shareholder

n. a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company

synonym : stockholder, shareowner, investor

(1) the **shareholder's** meeting, (2) gain **shareholder** approval

Our company is committed to increasing **shareholder** value.

investor

n. someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

synonym : financier, banker, stockholder

(1) **investor** lawsuit, (2) a real estate **investor**

Institutional **investors** refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.

employ

v. to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of

synonym : hire, engage, use

(1) **employ** job seekers, (2) **employ** a new method

When making arrests, police officers frequently **employ** excessive force.

intersect

v. to meet or cross one another

synonym : cross, bisect, cut

(1) **intersect** at a point, (2) railways **intersect** the country

Her multidisciplinary works **intersect** music and picture with writing.

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons

from one another

synonym : character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym : guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

discuss

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

synonym : talk about, converse, debate

(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions

We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

cohort

n. a group of people who share a common characteristic, experience, or background and are usually studied as a single unit in research or analysis; a companion or ally

synonym : group, team, squad

(1) **cohort** study, (2) business **cohort**

The **cohort** of students from the science program graduated with top honors.

lean

adj. having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture

synonym : skinny, slender, (verb) slant

(1) a **lean** horse, (2) **lean** athletic figure

Lean operational improvements often lead to better environmental performance.

balloon

n. a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated

synonym : aerostat, blimp, (verb) billow out

(1) **balloon** ride, (2) **balloon** into a severe political problem

The satellite **balloon** slowly ascended into the sky.

representation

n. the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting

synonym : delegacy, manifestation, expression

(1) sales **representation**, (2) binary **representation**

A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal **representation**.

opposition

n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

synonym : resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

amazing

adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

synonym : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

identify

v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

synonym : determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

invest

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

synonym : fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

suffer

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

synonym : endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

single-handed

adj. done or accomplished by one person alone

synonym : alone, unassisted, solo

(1) **single-handed** responsibility, (2) **single-handed** victory

He started a **single-handed** project to earn additional money.

prop

n. a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

synonym : support, buttress, column

(1) emotional **prop**, (2) **prop** stick

We have finally lost our last **prop**.

develop

v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

synonym : evolve, progress, advance

(1) **develop** a strategy, (2) **develop** a skill

We must **develop** a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

mentor

n. a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school

synonym : adviser, coach, tutor

(1) **mentor** for life, (2) fashion **mentor**

As a **mentor**, he helped me realize my career.

guidance

n. advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making

synonym : advice, direction, support

(1) vocational **guidance**, (2) **guidance** counselor

The mentor provided **guidance** to the young entrepreneur, helping her navigate the business world.

mentorship

n. a relationship in which a more experienced or more knowledgeable person helps to guide a less experienced or less knowledgeable person

synonym : guidance, coaching, tutorship

(1) **mentorship** program, (2) under his **mentorship**

He was grateful for the **mentorship** opportunity given to him by his supervisor.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym : coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

charity

n. an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people

synonym : philanthropy, benevolence, generosity

(1) **charity** work, (2) ask **charity**

She volunteers at a local **charity** every weekend to help those in need.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym : administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

conscious

adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

synonym: aware, cognizant, deliberate

(1) **conscious** effort, (2) **conscious** of having succeeded

He became **conscious** that he was being followed.

unconscious

adj. in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness

synonym: comatose, paralyzed, senseless

(1) **unconscious** bias, (2) a person who is **unconscious**

I know his **unconscious** habit that he touches his face when he lies.

bias

n. a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment

synonym: inclination, partiality, predilection

(1) **bias** against a big company, (2) have a **bias** toward socialism

She researched gender **bias** in politics.

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

synonym: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 5. a friendly con_____ion | <i>n.</i> an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc. |
| 6. ch_____y work | <i>n.</i> an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people |
| 7. in____t capital | <i>v.</i> to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result |
| 8. ba_____n ride | <i>n.</i> a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated |
| 9. h__e a guide | <i>v.</i> to give somebody a job |

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37. ill fo_____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
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40. information ba_____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

ANSWERS: 33. mentorship, 34. underrepresented, 35. racial, 36. appoint, 37. fortune, 38. teeter, 39. scandal, 40. barrier

41. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
42. emotional p__p *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
43. in____or lawsuit *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
44. reached the pi____le *n.* the highest point or peak of something, particularly a mountain or a career; the greatest or highest level of achievement or success
45. an in____le asset *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
46. gov____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
47. on___d journey *adj.* moving or continuing forward; progressing
48. sc____l magazine *n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage
49. opp____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
50. cl__f diving *n.* a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
51. re____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something

ANSWERS: 41. assume, 42. prop, 43. investor, 44. pinnacle, 45. invisible, 46. government, 47. onward, 48. scandal, 49. opposition, 50. cliff, 51. replace

52. number of different sc_____ios *n.* a description of possible actions or events in the future; a written outline of a play, film, or literary work
53. the worst case sc_____io *n.* a description of possible actions or events in the future; a written outline of a play, film, or literary work
54. the sha_____er's meeting *n.* a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company
55. hi_____ce to progress *n.* an obstacle or barrier that prevents progress or interferes with accomplishing a task or goal
56. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
57. ess_____ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
58. di_____s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
59. demonstrate an up____d trend *adv.* toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher place
60. a profit ma____n *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
61. ra____l and ethnic backgrounds *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

ANSWERS: 52. scenario, 53. scenario, 54. shareholder, 55. hindrance, 56. transform, 57. essentially, 58. discuss, 59. upward, 60. margin, 61. racial

62. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
63. logistical hi_____ce *n.* an obstacle or barrier that prevents progress or interferes with accomplishing a task or goal
64. feel und_____ted *adj.* not adequately or proportionately represented, often in terms of a particular group, population, or perspective being excluded or marginalized
65. par_____se the meaning *v.* to restate or reword a passage in one's own words, often to clarify or simplify the original meaning
66. va_____on report *n.* an estimation of the worth or value of something
67. become ess_____ly same *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
68. pe_____ve light *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
69. co_____us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
70. co____t study *n.* a group of people who share a common characteristic, experience, or background and are usually studied as a single unit in research or analysis; a companion or ally
71. su____r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

ANSWERS: 62. absolutely, 63. hindrance, 64. underrepresented, 65. paraphrase, 66. valuation, 67. essentially, 68. perceive, 69. conscious, 70. cohort, 71. suffer

72. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
73. und_____th the surface of the water *adv.* under or below something else
74. bo_____om meeting *n.* a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets
75. p__p stick *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
76. par_____se a poem into prose *v.* to restate or reword a passage in one's own words, often to clarify or simplify the original meaning
77. pray to the sa____r *n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth
78. id_____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
79. re_____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
80. sc_____at the new employee *v.* to unfairly blame or punish someone for the misdeeds or mistakes of others, often to deflect attention or avoid accountability; (noun) a person or group that is unfairly blamed for the problems or misfortunes of others, typically to divert attention or responsibility from the actual cause

ANSWERS: 72. government, 73. underneath, 74. boardroom, 75. prop, 76. paraphrase, 77. savior, 78. identify, 79. release, 80. scapegoat

81. cost ba____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
82. have a b__s toward socialism *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
83. harmful co____nd *n.* an item composed of two or more distinct elements combined; a chemical formed by the combination of two or more elements
84. binary rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
85. te___r on the edge *v.* to move or balance unsteadily, often in a way that suggests instability or danger; to waver or vacillate between two positions, opinions, or attitudes
86. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
87. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
88. st__p off to the room *v.* to walk heavily and noisily, often with a rhythmical sound; to dance with a rhythmical step
89. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 81. barrier, 82. bias, 83. compound, 84. representation, 85. teeter, 86. decide, 87. opposition, 88. stomp, 89. opportune

90. business co___t *n.* a group of people who share a common characteristic, experience, or background and are usually studied as a single unit in research or analysis; a companion or ally
91. ma___n error *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
92. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
93. fashion me___r *n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
94. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
95. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
96. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
97. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
98. exp_____le assets *adj.* able to be consumed, used up, or sacrificed without consequence; dispensable or disposable; unnecessary or redundant

ANSWERS: 90. cohort, 91. margin, 92. replace, 93. mentor, 94. develop, 95. colleague, 96. engage, 97. identity, 98. expendable

99. architectural pi_____le *n.* the highest point or peak of something, particularly a mountain or a career; the greatest or highest level of achievement or success
100. ba_____n into a severe political problem *n.* a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated
101. a real estate in_____or *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
102. the wo_____ce is on strike *n.* all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.
103. exp_____le income *adj.* able to be consumed, used up, or sacrificed without consequence; dispensable or disposable; unnecessary or redundant
104. id_____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
105. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
106. pat_____al society *adj.* relating to or characteristic of a society or system in which men hold the dominant roles and positions of power; male-dominated
107. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

ANSWERS: 99. pinnacle, 100. balloon, 101. investor, 102. workforce, 103. expendable, 104. identity, 105. colleague, 106. patriarchal, 107. engage

108. eye_____er book *n.* something surprising or enlightening, making one more aware of something previously unknown or misunderstood
109. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
110. b__s against a big company *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
111. pe_____ve a threat *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
112. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
113. political sa____r *n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth
114. bl__e the lack of knowledge *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
115. gain sha_____er approval *n.* a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company
116. gross pr____t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

ANSWERS: 108. eye-opener, 109. imaginary, 110. bias, 111. perceive, 112. develop, 113. savior, 114. blame, 115. shareholder, 116. profit

117. ask ch_____y *n.* an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
118. all ability to mo_____te *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
119. bl__e circumstances for the failure *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
120. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
121. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
122. rep_____on risk *n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
123. su____r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
124. und_____th the laughter *adv.* under or below something else
125. vocational gu_____ce *n.* advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making
126. em____y job seekers *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
127. gu_____ce counselor *n.* advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making

ANSWERS: 117. charity, 118. motivate, 119. blame, 120. psychology, 121. release, 122. reputation, 123. suffer, 124. underneath, 125. guidance, 126. employ, 127. guidance

128. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
129. a l__n horse *adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
130. em____y a new method *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
131. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
132. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
133. take up an app_____nt *n.* a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility
134. in_____le stars *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
135. as___e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
136. bit of good fo_____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
137. personal na_____ve *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
138. a person who is unc_____us *adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness

ANSWERS: 128. context, 129. lean, 130. employ, 131. imaginary, 132. transform, 133. appointment, 134. invisible, 135. assume, 136. fortune, 137. narrative, 138. unconscious

139. do on a con_____nt basis *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
140. di_____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
141. im____t a style sheet *v.* to bring goods or services into a country from another country; to transfer electronic data into a database or document;
142. ap_____t members *v.* to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place
143. nu_____e love *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
144. in_____ct at a point *v.* to meet or cross one another
145. co_____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
146. on____d progress *adj.* moving or continuing forward; progressing
147. me____r for life *n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
148. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

ANSWERS: 139. consistent, 140. discuss, 141. import, 142. appoint, 143. nurture, 144. intersect, 145. conclude, 146. onward, 147. mentor, 148. context

149. bo_____om decision *n.* a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets
150. bre_____ugh discovery *n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem
151. car_____ng process *n.* the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly
152. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
153. banner he_____ne *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
154. he_____ne article *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
155. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
156. in_____n civilians *v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria
157. dis_____le camera *adj.* designed to be used once and then thrown away
158. ta_____h reputation *v.* to become dull or discolored from exposure to elements or from being damaged or neglected; to damage or detract from someone's reputation or image

ANSWERS: 149. boardroom, 150. breakthrough, 151. caregiving, 152. amazing, 153. headline, 154. headline, 155. absolutely, 156. intern, 157. disposable, 158. tarnish

159. h__e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job
160. l__n athletic figure *adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
161. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
162. na_____ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
163. a bold cl__f *n.* a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
164. sales rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
165. ta_____h brass *v.* to become dull or discolored from exposure to elements or from being damaged or neglected; to damage or detract from someone's reputation or image
166. under his men_____ip *n.* a relationship in which a more experienced or more knowledgeable person helps to guide a less experienced or less knowledgeable person
167. political sc_____at *v.* to unfairly blame or punish someone for the misdeeds or mistakes of others, often to deflect attention or avoid accountability; (noun) a person or group that is unfairly blamed for the problems or misfortunes of others, typically to divert attention or responsibility from the actual cause

ANSWERS: 159. hire, 160. lean, 161. psychology, 162. narrative, 163. cliff, 164. representation, 165. tarnish, 166. mentorship, 167. scapegoat

168. eye_____er experience *n.* something surprising or enlightening, making one more aware of something previously unknown or misunderstood
169. sin_____ded responsibility *adj.* done or accomplished by one person alone
170. bre_____ugh in the negotiations *n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem
171. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
172. app_____nt calendar *n.* a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility
173. sin_____ded victory *adj.* done or accomplished by one person alone
174. im___t goods *v.* to bring goods or services into a country from another country; to transfer electronic data into a database or document;

ANSWERS: 168. eye-opener, 169. single-handed, 170. breakthrough, 171. decide, 172. appointment, 173. single-handed, 174. import

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. She had a master's degree in _____.
n. the scientific study of mind and behavior
2. The documentary was an _____ about the effects of climate change on our planet.
n. something surprising or enlightening, making one more aware of something previously unknown or misunderstood
3. Our company is committed to increasing _____ value.
n. a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company
4. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.
v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
5. We _____ a cease-fire.
v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
6. He started a _____ project to earn additional money.
adj. done or accomplished by one person alone
7. The company _____ raw materials from other countries to manufacture its products.
v. to bring goods or services into a country from another country; to transfer electronic data into a database or document;

ANSWERS: 1. psychology, 2. eye-opener, 3. shareholder, 4. suffers, 5. concluded, 6. single-handed, 7. imports

8. The guru of that religion thought of himself as a _____.
- n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth
9. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
- v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
10. The navy _____ ships of defeated nations.
- v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria
11. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.
- n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
12. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
13. _____ operational improvements often lead to better environmental performance.
- adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
14. When making arrests, police officers frequently _____ excessive force.
- v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
15. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 8. savior, 9. decide, 10. interned, 11. identity, 12. conversation, 13. Lean, 14. employ, 15. assumes

16. _____ communities need more support and resources to achieve equity.

adj. not adequately or proportionately represented, often in terms of a particular group, population, or perspective being excluded or marginalized

17. The police placed a _____ across the street to halt traffic.

n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

18. When traveling to some countries, you may be required to show proof of an _____ ticket as a condition of entry.

adj. moving or continuing forward; progressing

19. Many companies outsource and hire consultants to keep their _____ flexible.

n. all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.

20. The language barrier can be a _____ to effective communication.

n. an obstacle or barrier that prevents progress or interferes with accomplishing a task or goal

21. A technique called deep learning has led to _____ in AI.

n. a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem

22. Unfortunately, the book's _____ was too small to make notes.

n. the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

23. The _____ of students from the science program graduated with top honors.

n. a group of people who share a common characteristic, experience, or background and are usually studied as a single unit in research or analysis; a companion or ally

ANSWERS: 16. Underrepresented, 17. barrier, 18. onward, 19. workforce, 20. hindrance, 21. breakthroughs, 22. margin, 23. cohort

24. Australia is widely _____ as having low levels of corruption.
v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
25. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
26. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
27. I prefer using _____ razors because they are more convenient.
adj. designed to be used once and then thrown away
28. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
29. There was a crack in the _____ that I found.
n. a room's top interior surface
30. We _____ our impeded progress on lack of money.
v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
31. As a _____ he helped me realize my career.
n. a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
32. He was grateful for the _____ opportunity given to him by his supervisor.
n. a relationship in which a more experienced or more knowledgeable person helps to guide a less experienced or less knowledgeable person

ANSWERS: 24. perceived, 25. engaged, 26. absolutely, 27. disposable, 28. amazing, 29. ceiling, 30. blamed, 31. mentor, 32. mentorship

33. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.

v. to take the place of something

34. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

35. Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal _____.

n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

36. He _____ the article in his own words to avoid being accused of plagiarism.

v. to restate or reword a passage in one's own words, often to clarify or simplify the original meaning

37. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

38. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

39. Institutional _____ refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.

n. someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

40. Little children tend to have _____ friends.

adj. existing only in someone's mind

ANSWERS: 33. replace, 34. opportune, 35. fortune, 36. paraphrased, 37. narrative, 38. colleague, 39. investors, 40. imaginary

41. Climbing to the _____ of the mountain is a challenge that many outdoor enthusiasts strive to achieve.
- n.* the highest point or peak of something, particularly a mountain or a career; the greatest or highest level of achievement or success
42. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
43. He stood at the edge of the _____ and looked out to sea.
- n.* a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
44. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
- n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
45. She devoted her life to _____ looking after her aging parents.
- n.* the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly
46. She researched gender _____ in politics.
- n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
47. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
48. A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal _____.
- n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting

ANSWERS: 41. pinnacle, 42. develop, 43. cliff, 44. opposition, 45. caregiving, 46. bias, 47. government, 48. representation

49. We should always be prepared to _____ talented recruits.

v. to give somebody a job

50. The satellite _____ slowly ascended into the sky.

n. a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated

51. Schools should _____ children's mutual interest spirit.

v. to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

52. Gandhi had an _____ zeal for nonviolence.

adj. perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

53. In war, those in power often view soldiers as _____ resources.

adj. able to be consumed, used up, or sacrificed without consequence; dispensable or disposable; unnecessary or redundant

54. He became _____ that he was being followed.

adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

55. The political _____ rocked the nation and led to the resignation of several high-ranking officials.

n. an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage

56. _____ a society is an organism.

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

ANSWERS: 49. hire, 50. balloon, 51. nurture, 52. absolute, 53. expendable, 54. conscious, 55. scandal, 56. Essentially,

57. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
- n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
58. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.
- v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
59. Common salt is a sodium and chlorine _____.
- n.* an item composed of two or more distinct elements combined; a chemical formed by the combination of two or more elements
60. We have finally lost our last _____.
- n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
61. The mentor provided _____ to the young entrepreneur, helping her navigate the business world.
- n.* advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making
62. The _____ of the company was estimated to be billions of dollars.
- n.* an estimation of the worth or value of something
63. The company adjusted the revenue _____.
- adv.* toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher place

ANSWERS: 57. context, 58. invest, 59. compound, 60. prop, 61. guidance, 62. valuation, 63. upward

64. She has a good _____ for being one of the best chefs in the city.
n. the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
65. She volunteers at a local _____ every weekend to help those in need.
n. an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
66. The penny fell _____ the piano.
adv. under or below something else
67. Leaving the silver in the open air caused it to _____ and lose its shine.
v. to become dull or discolored from exposure to elements or from being damaged or neglected; to damage or detract from someone's reputation or image
68. I know his _____ habit that he touches his face when he lies.
adj. in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness
69. The court _____ a guardian for the child.
v. to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place
70. The corporate _____ was filled with tense silence as the CEO presented the new plan.
n. a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets
71. The children _____ their feet in time to the music.
v. to walk heavily and noisily, often with a rhythmical sound; to dance with a rhythmical step

ANSWERS: 64. reputation, 65. charity, 66. underneath, 67. tarnish, 68. unconscious, 69. appointed, 70. boardroom, 71. stomped

72. The ability to _____ people is a priceless asset.
- v. to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
73. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.
- v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement
74. My father's death _____ my life completely.
- v. to change in outward structure or looks;
75. Some politicians try to _____ specific groups of people to distract from their shortcomings.
- v. to unfairly blame or punish someone for the misdeeds or mistakes of others, often to deflect attention or avoid accountability; (noun) a person or group that is unfairly blamed for the problems or misfortunes of others, typically to divert attention or responsibility from the actual cause
76. We had to reschedule the dentist's _____.
- n. a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility
77. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
- v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
78. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
- v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
79. A minor _____ conflict later led to a civil war.
- adj. of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

ANSWERS: 72. motivate, 73. release, 74. transformed, 75. scapegoat, 76. appointment, 77. identify, 78. discuss, 79. racial

80. The president prepared several possible _____ for an enemy attack.
n. a description of possible actions or events in the future; a written outline of a play, film, or literary work
81. This business yields little _____.
n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
82. Her multidisciplinary works _____ music and picture with writing.
v. to meet or cross one another
83. The _____ system that many societies have is outdated and unfair to women.
adj. relating to or characteristic of a society or system in which men hold the dominant roles and positions of power; male-dominated
84. You are not _____ in your behavior.
adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
85. The engagement of the two golf players became _____ news.
n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
86. The drunk man tried to _____ along the narrow bridge, almost falling into the river.
v. to move or balance unsteadily, often in a way that suggests instability or danger; to waver or vacillate between two positions, opinions, or attitudes
87. The phenomenon is _____ at optical wavelengths.
adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

ANSWERS: 80. scenarios, 81. profit, 82. intersect, 83. patriarchal, 84. consistent, 85. headline, 86. teeter, 87. invisible

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