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Session 1: Word List

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym: association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

weird

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

synonym: bizarre, creepy, peculiar

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**

My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

pet

n. an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

(1) a **pet** bird, (2) a teacher's **pet**

I have a parrot as a **pet**.

cognitive

adj. of or relating to mental processes of understanding

synonym: perceivable, mind, mental

(1) improve **cognitive** function, (2) research on **cognitive** psychology

His **cognitive** faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym : affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

degree

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

synonym : level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

wildlife

n. animals, birds, insects, etc. that grow independently of people and live in natural conditions

(1) **wildlife** sanctuary, (2) bird and other **wildlife**

The conservation area has an abundance of **wildlife**.

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.

reintroduce

v. to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued

synonym : bring back, restore, reestablish

(1) **reintroduce** species, (2) **reintroduce** capital punishment

The government is planning to **reintroduce** wolves to the national park to restore the balance of the ecosystem.

collar

n. a band of material worn around the neck, typically forming part of a shirt or jacket

synonym : band, neckband

(1) **collar** of a shirt, (2) **collar** of a dog

He put on his **collar** and tie before leaving for work.

livestock

n. farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens

synonym : cattle, oxen, herd

(1) **livestock** agriculture, (2) **livestock** industry

Livestock feed is made from fodder crops.

haze

n. atmospheric moisture, dust, or smoke that makes it less clear; a state of mental confusion caused by lack of clarity

synonym : fog, mist, brume

(1) a **haze** of illusion, (2) **haze** of tears

We couldn't see him through the **haze** of smoke.

rub

v. to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure

synonym : scrub, massage, stroke

(1) **rub** shoulders, (2) **rub** a glass window

She **rubbed** the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.

bullet

n. a metal projectile that is shot from a gun

synonym : projectile, slug, shot

(1) **bullet** wound, (2) **bullet** train

The stray **bullet** went through the window and hit the wall.

horn

n. a hard, pointed, often curved part that grows on the top of the heads of some animals, such as sheep and cows; a noisemaker or musical instrument that makes a loud noise when you blow through it

synonym : cornet, funnel, alarm

(1) a handle of **horn**, (2) **horn** of a vehicle

He enjoyed hearing the tootles of their **horns** with beer.

squirrel

n. a small to medium-sized rodent with a bushy tail, found in almost every part of the world

synonym: rodent, chipmunk, tree-dweller

(1) agile **squirrel**, (2) gray **squirrel**

The **squirrels** in the park were very friendly and came right up to us looking for food.

robin

n. a small bird from the thrush family, typically having a red breast and found across Europe, Asia, and North America

synonym: thrush, red-breast, redbird

(1) **robin** eggs, (2) **robin's** nest

I love listening to the cheerful song of the **robin** in my garden.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

influence

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

synonym: power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he abdicated.

conversion

n. the act or process of changing something from one thing to another; the state of being changed

synonym: transformation, change, metamorphosis

(1) **conversion** rate, (2) **conversion** therapy

The developer's **conversion** of the old factory into a modern loft apartment complex was a major success.

agriculture

n. the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock

synonym: farming, husbandry, agribusiness

(1) organic **agriculture**, (2) intensive **agriculture**
Agriculture is the foundation of our economy.

extinction

n. the complete disappearance of a species from the earth
synonym: disappearance, eradication, annihilation

(1) **extinction** prevention, (2) brink of **extinction**

The **extinction** of the dinosaurs is thought to have been caused by an asteroid impact.

domesticate

v. to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company

synonym: tame, naturalize, cultivate

(1) easy to **domesticate**, (2) **domesticate** the plant

We **domesticate** cows to gain milk and meat.

movement

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

synonym: motion, progression, action

(1) a circular **movement**, (2) **movement** of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

continent

n. one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

synonym: landmass, (adjective) chaste, (adjective) pure

(1) the inland of a **continent**, (2) **continent** urinary diversion

Flight across the **continent** was a daring adventure in its day.

reroute

v. to redirect or change the course or direction of something

synonym: redirect, divert, detour

(1) **reroute** traffic, (2) **reroute** path

Due to the traffic, the delivery truck had to **reroute** to avoid

the congested roads.

climate

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

synonym: atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change

Climate and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

distant

adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship

synonym: far, isolated, remote

(1) a **distant** memory, (2) **distant** ancestors

The sun set over the crest of **distant** hills.

settlement

n. an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.

synonym: agreement, accommodation, colonization

(1) the **settlement** of a dispute, (2) **settlement** in a new house

Our goal must be to achieve a peaceful **settlement**.

polar

adj. relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites

synonym: opposing, contrary, contrasting

(1) **polar** bears, (2) **polar** regions

Polar animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

synonym: example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

struggle

v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

synonym : toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

hunt

v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit

synonym : chase, pursuit, quest

(1) **hunt** a job, (2) **hunt** after knowledge

Hounds **hunt** their prey by using their keen scent.

seal

v. to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed

synonym : enclose, shut, close

(1) **seal** a hole, (2) a fur **seal**

He **sealed** the letter with hot wax.

normally

adv. usually; under normal conditions

synonym : commonly, generally, naturally

(1) complete **normally**, (2) not **normally** drink much

I don't **normally** take a vacation in the middle of summer.

millennium

n. a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

(1) past **millennium**, (2) **millennium** bottle of wine

Our world is in the third **millennium**.

ethics

n. a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong

synonym : morals, principles, moralities

(1) political **ethics**, (2) **ethics** of journalism

This scripture provides the code of **ethics** for the religion.

obligation

n. the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something

synonym : burden, commitment, debt

(1) a deep **obligation**, (2) pay an **obligation**

You are under no **obligation** to finish the job.

supersede

v. to replace or be replaced by something else, particularly something newer, better, or more effective; to supplant or take over the place or function of another

synonym : replace, override, displace

(1) **supersede** an old method, (2) **supersede** a tradition

The new technology will **supersede** the old one in no time.

chow

n. a slang term for food, typically referring to a particular type of cuisine or meal, such as Chinese chow or chowder

synonym : food, grub, eats

(1) **chow** time, (2) fast **chow**

We decided to order some Chinese **chow** for dinner tonight.

requirement

n. something that is needed or wanted

synonym : prerequisite, provision, condition

(1) meet **requirement**, (2) school **requirement**

What is the entry **requirement** for this course?

flourish

v. to grow or develop vigorously or successfully

synonym : boom, advance, succeed

(1) **flourish** economically, (2) **flourish** worldwide

The Ottoman Empire **flourished** for over five centuries.

well-fed

adj. having a plentiful and nutritious diet; being sufficiently nourished, and not experiencing hunger or malnourishment

synonym : well-nourished, satisfied

(1) **well-fed** livestock, (2) **well-fed** family

The **well-fed** cat lay lazily in the sun.

nervous

adj. worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves

synonym : neural, anxious, uneasy

(1) development of the **nervous** system, (2) get **nervous**
He suffers from **nervous** breakdowns.

impregnate

v. to make a woman or female animal pregnant; to infuse or fill something completely

synonym : fertilize, inseminate, make pregnant

(1) **impregnate** a woman, (2) **impregnate** with a medicinal substance

The sperm **impregnated** the egg, and fertilization occurred.

puppy

n. a young dog, usually less than a year old

synonym : dog, young dog, pup

(1) **puppy** in a pet shop, (2) nurse a **puppy**

She adopted a small brown **puppy** from the shelter.

hybrid

adj. composed of different elements or mixed characters

synonym : blended, mixed, combined

(1) new **hybrid** system, (2) an interspecific **hybrid**

The mule is a **hybrid** between a male donkey and a female horse.

domestic

adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

synonym : endemic, private, household

(1) **domestic** airline, (2) a **domestic** animal

GDP stands for gross **domestic** product.

regulate

v. to control something, especially by means of rules or laws

synonym : control, restrain, handle

(1) **regulate** blood sugar levels, (2) **regulate** our conduct

We must manage to **regulate** our expenditure.

nightmare

n. a very frightening or unpleasant dream

synonym : agony, misery, suffering

(1) have a **nightmare**, (2) **nightmare** situation
Life as a waiter was a big **nightmare** for him.

pregnant

adj. having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus
synonym: expectant

(1) needs of **pregnant** women, (2) a silence **pregnant** with suspense

She vacated the position when she got **pregnant**.

purity

n. the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature

synonym: sinlessness, innocence, cleanliness

(1) the degree of **purity**, (2) high **purity**

Higher **purity** requires additional equipment and energy.

genetic

adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes

synonym: hereditary, genetical, inborn

(1) have **genetic** testing, (2) a **genetic** disorder

Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the **genetic** code.

deem

v. to consider or decide something in a particular way

synonym: believe, consider, suppose

(1) **deem** socially responsible, (2) **deem** wrong or inappropriate

Regarding earthquakes, some commercial buildings were **deemed** unsafe.

autonomy

n. the right of an organization, country, or region to govern itself independently

synonym: independence, sovereignty, self-sufficiency

(1) regional **autonomy**, (2) establish **autonomy**

Demonstrators strongly demanded immediate **autonomy** for their country.

algorithm

n. a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

synonym: logic, method, rule

(1) the RSA **algorithm**, (2) **algorithm** for image processing

We can evaluate the performance of an **algorithm** in terms of computation time.

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.

bet

v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

synonym: stake, wager, gamble

(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future

I **bet** that you know it.

tricky

adj. requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with

synonym: thorny, problematic, crafty

(1) **tricky** problem, (2) a **tricky** recipe to follow

We have discussed the entirety of this **tricky** problem.

currency

n. a system of money in general use in a particular country

synonym: money, tender, cash

(1) **currency** exchange, (2) digital **currency**

The **currency** used in this country is the Euro.

biodiversity

n. the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment

(1) **biodiversity** conservation, (2) loss of **biodiversity**

The country was instrumental in promoting the **biodiversity**

treaty.

welfare

n. the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group

synonym: well-being, benefit, health

(1) child **welfare**, (2) a **welfare** state

She struggled for years to survive without **welfare**.

well-being

n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

synonym: health, welfare, happiness

(1) the **well-being** of a nation, (2) a sense of **well-being**

We are responsible for the care and **well-being** of all our employees.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

synonym: person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

conundrum

n. a confusing and difficult problem or question

synonym: puzzle, riddle, enigma

(1) **conundrum** of choice, (2) pose a **conundrum**

The group faced a **conundrum** when they couldn't decide whether to go hiking or to the beach.

icon

n. a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

synonym: figure, hero, idol

(1) **icon** for young people, (2) television **icon**

Some comic book characters are considered gay **icons**.

threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym: endanger, terrorize, intimidate

(1) **threaten** a healthy relationship, (2) **threaten** national security

Various artificially induced causes are **threatening** our ecosystem.

introduction

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

synonym: initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**

The **introduction** to the new class was informative and engaging.

predator

n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

synonym: vulture, bloodsucker

(1) apex **predator**, (2) sexual **predators**

The native South American animals were in danger because of the **predator's** arrival.

stoat

n. a small carnivorous mammal with a long, slender body and short legs, also known as an ermine or short-tailed weasel

(1) **stoat** fur, (2) **stoat** hunting

The **stoat's** diet consists mostly of small rodents, such as mice and voles.

furry

adj. covered in fur or a furry material; resembling fur

synonym: hairy, fuzzy, feathered

(1) the **furry** skin, (2) have **furry** leaves

The stuffed animal was so **furry** and soft that it was hard to resist hugging it.

weasel

n. a small carnivorous mammal with a long and slender body, short legs, and a long and narrow head, known for its ability to hunt rodents and small animals; someone who behaves in an untrustworthy, deceitful, or cunning

manner

(1) **weasel** words, (2) **weasel** her way out of doing the dishes

The **weasel's** long and slender body allows it to easily navigate small spaces.

endangered

adj. at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats

synonym : at risk, threatened, vulnerable

(1) **endangered** species, (2) **endangered** ecosystem

The government has implemented policies to protect the habitat of **endangered** animals.

humility

n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self

synonym : humbleness, modesty, unpretentiousness

(1) develop an attitude of **humility**, (2) lack of **humility**

We were filled with **humility** at the sight of the Queen.

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym : accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

expand

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

synonym : extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

specifically

adv. only associated with or meant for one thing

synonym : especially, particularly, notably

(1) designed **specifically** for men, (2) for **specifically**

American customers

This ad campaign is aimed **specifically** at young women.

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.

intuitive

adj. obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof

synonym: involuntary, instinctive, innate

(1) **intuitive** eating, (2) **intuitive** judgment

I had an **intuitive** feeling that I might be pregnant.

parallel

adj. being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations

synonym: aligned, side-by-side, similar

(1) a **parallel** case, (2) **parallel** processing

He walked a road **parallel** to the railroad.

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.

complicated

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

synonym: complex, convoluted, intricate

(1) a **complicated** process, (2) become increasingly **complicated**

He did **complicated** pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

taxonomy

n. the classification or scientific study of organisms, including their relationships to each other, based on shared characteristics and traits; a system of organizing and categorizing information in a particular field or subject area

synonym: classification, categorization, hierarchy

(1) **taxonomy** system, (2) biological **taxonomy**

The **taxonomy** of insects is incredibly complex due to the huge number of species.

chimpanzee

n. a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur

synonym: ape, chimp, pan troglodytes

(1) **chimpanzee** behavior, (2) **chimpanzee** society

Many zoos have **chimpanzee** exhibits, allowing visitors to observe these intelligent primates up close.

mammal

n. any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body

(1) a primitive **mammal**, (2) a sort of **mammal**

Marine **mammal** populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.

balance

n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

synonym: equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

(1) the **balance** of power, (2) asset on the company's **balance** sheet

Try to keep a **balance** between work and off.

intervention

n. the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so

synonym: interference, intercession, treatment

(1) **intervention** by foreign powers, (2) surgical **intervention**

This **intervention** does not require the patient's consent.

op-ed

adj. denoting or relating to a piece of writing or article that expresses the author's opinion or point of view on a particular topic, usually published in a newspaper or magazine on the page opposite the editorial page

synonym : editorial, opinion, column

(1) **op-ed** section, (2) **op-ed** columnist

The **op-ed** piece offered a unique perspective on the political situation.

sanctuary

n. a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse

synonym : refuge, safety, haven

(1) an animal **sanctuary**, (2) violate a **sanctuary**

The church offered **sanctuary** to refugees fleeing from war-torn countries.

captivity

n. the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from

synonym : confinement, detention, imprisonment

(1) escape from **captivity**, (2) animals in **captivity** in the zoo

Pandas rarely breed in **captivity**.

rid

v. to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

synonym : do away with, free, clear

(1) get **rid** of the rats, (2) **rid** the body of waste products

We must **rid** ourselves of pollution.

pace

n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

synonym : gait, rate, speed

(1) at your own **pace**, (2) the runner's **pace**

The economy is growing at a supercharged **pace**.

repetition

n. the act of doing or saying something many times
synonym: duplication, iteration, recurrence

(1) **repetition** of the word, (2) habitual **repetition**

Repetition is the mother of all learning.

awkward

adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

synonym: embarrassing, discomfiting, clumsy

(1) an **awkward** expression, (2) an **awkward** date

The **awkward** design of the interface made the operation difficult.

breed

v. to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner

synonym: raise, multiply, reproduce

(1) **breed** horses, (2) **breed** suspicion

This animal **breeds** in northern latitudes.

legitimate

adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

synonym: lawful, honest, fair

(1) a **legitimate** child, (2) **legitimate** question

Public political demonstrations are considered **legitimate** rights for citizens.

conservation

n. the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

synonym: preservation, protection, saving

(1) soil **conservation**, (2) the **conservation** law of physics

The forest was recently designated a **conservation** area.

ethical

adj. of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these

synonym: honorable, moral, virtuous

(1) an **ethical** doctrine, (2) shoulder **ethical** responsibility

The president must have the highest **ethical** standards.

grandchild

n. a child of someone's son or daughter

synonym : offspring, descendant, progeny

(1) **grandchild-grandparent** relationship, (2) **grandchild** development

The grandparents take care of their **grandchild** while the parents are at work.

display

v. to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value

synonym : show, exhibit, present

(1) **display** merchandise, (2) **display** artwork

We need to **display** our products in an attractive way to attract customers.

announcement

n. a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news

synonym : declaration, notification, statement

(1) public **announcement**, (2) **announcement** date

The company made an **announcement** about its new product at a press conference.

gorilla

n. a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face

synonym : ape, chimpanzee, orangutan

(1) **gorilla** habitat, (2) endangered **gorilla**

The **gorilla** at the zoo impressed visitors with its size and strength.

jungle

n. an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly

synonym : wilderness, forest

(1) middle of the **jungle**, (2) **jungle** exploration

This village is still in a dense **jungle**.

propose

v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
synonym: suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes
I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

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.

virtually

adv. almost completely

synonym: almost, basically, nearly

(1) **virtually** all countries, (2) **virtually** identical
Virtually all the parties signed the contract.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym: cooperate, combine, collaborate

(1) **interact** directly with customers, (2) **interact** with one another

He should **interact** more with his colleagues.

documentary

n. a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents

synonym: film, broadcast, doco

(1) a **documentary** film, (2) **documentary** proof
He won an award for that short **documentary**.

ecosystem

n. all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

(1) marine **ecosystem**, (2) change the **ecosystem**

Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the **ecosystem**.

diversity

n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

synonym : variety, multiplicity, variousness

(1) the **diversity** policy of the university, (2) lingual **diversity**

He was impressed by the range and **diversity** of the collection.

insect

n. any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections

(1) **insect** antenna, (2) **insect** biology

These **insects** are more prevalent above a certain latitude.

awesome

adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

synonym : miraculous, marvelous, astounding

(1) **awesome** mental faculty, (2) have an **awesome** birthday

There is a lot of **awesome** nature and food in Hawaii.

encounter

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

synonym : meet, run into, come across

(1) **encounter** a crisis, (2) **encounter** a storm

I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

perspective

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

synonym : viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle

His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym : transition, change, modification

(1) Doppler **shift**, (2) major paradigm **shift**

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

creature

n. a living being, especially an animal

synonym: being, animal, organism

(1) **creature** of habit, (2) artificial **creature**

The deep sea **creature** was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym: apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

critique

n. a detailed analysis or examination of something, especially a literary, philosophical, or political theory; an essay or article that gives a critical evaluation

synonym: review, analysis, appraisal

(1) a **critique** of the social system, (2) devastating **critique**

Following the **critique** from the professor, students rewrite their essays and submit them for final evaluation.

aquarium

n. a transparent tank of water in which fish and other water animals and plants are kept; a building containing tanks of live fish of different species, especially one that is open to the public

synonym: fish tank, water tank, aqua park

(1) **aquarium** fish, (2) virtual **aquarium**

This world-class **aquarium** offers educational programs for school groups.

whale

n. a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities

synonym: porpoise, giant

(1) a bull **whale**, (2) **whale** watching

Some countries have a culture of eating the flesh of a **whale**.

marine

adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there

synonym : sea-dwelling, maritime, aquatic

(1) **marine** insurance, (2) variety of **marine** life

Seals and whales are **marine** animals beloved by the people.

tide

n. the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull

synonym : ripple, surge, swell

(1) **tide** cycle, (2) ride the **tide** of change

Red **tide** is often harmful to the local ecosystem.

recommend

v. to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role

synonym : advise, suggest, instruct

(1) **recommend** a hospitalization, (2) **recommend** reading

We **recommend** taking media training every six months.

dumb

adj. lacking the power of speech, unable to speak; stupid, or lacking intelligence

synonym : mute, speechless, idiotic

(1) **dumb** creatures, (2) struck **dumb**

He made a **dumb** mistake and forgot to submit the report on time.

destruction

n. the act of causing so much damage to something

synonym : devastation, annihilation, ruin

(1) path of **destruction**, (2) cyclonic **destruction**

The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat **destruction**.

biggie

n. something important or significant

synonym : important, significant, crucial

(1) a media **biggie**, (2) **biggie** in the market

Winning the lottery is a **biggie** for most people.

confuse

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

synonym: confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

intervene

v. to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse

synonym: interfere, mediate, intercede

(1) **intervene** in a dispute, (2) **intervene** between quarreling parties

Following international law, our country does not **intervene** in the internal affairs of our neighbors.

stable

adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

synonym: sturdy, unmoving, durable

(1) in **stable** condition, (2) have a **stable** job

Relations between the two countries have been relatively **stable** due to the summit meeting.

moral

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

synonym: honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

dilemma

n. a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones

synonym: difficulty, plight, predicament

(1) chicken-and-egg **dilemma**, (2) be in a **dilemma**

The choice between bureaucracy and adhococracy represents a common **dilemma**.

pickle

n. vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a

difficult situation

synonym : jam, predicament, quagmire

(1) **pickle** a cucumber, (2) **pickle** barrel

The **pickle** must have an acidity level high enough to inhibit the growth of bacteria.

uncomfortable

adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

synonym : comfortless, discomfoting, painful

(1) an **uncomfortable** silence, (2) with an **uncomfortable** face

His abusive words made me **uncomfortable**.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

synonym : reference, allude, cite

(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report

I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

steward

n. a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.

synonym : caretaker, manager, custodian

(1) **steward** duties, (2) **steward** service

The **steward** on the flight was very helpful in assisting passengers with their needs.

folk

n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

synonym : community, family, person

(1) **folk** art, (2) the **folk** songs of a particular district

Some seaweed was used as **folk** medicine in ancient times.

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.

caretaker

n. a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away

synonym : custodian, caregiver

(1) welfare **caretaker**, (2) the role of **caretaker**

He acted as a **caretaker** until a new president was elected.

environment

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

synonym : atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

trend

n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing

synonym : direction, movement, tendency

(1) an international **trend**, (2) the **trend** away from television

The oil price continued their downward **trend**.

indigenous

adj. someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place

synonym : domestic, endemic, primitive

(1) **indigenous** crop, (2) **indigenous** peoples

The **indigenous** plants need to be pollinated by local insects.

topic

n. a subject that is being discussed or written about

synonym : subject, theme, issue

(1) a serious **topic**, (2) the **topic** of the book

The **topic** of the discussion was the current state of the economy.

announce

v. to make something known or officially inform people about something

synonym : disclose, declare, broadcast

(1) **announce** candidacy, (2) **announce** the award winners

The third season of the anime show has been **announced**.

communal

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

old-fashioned

adj. of or relating to a time in the past; not modern

synonym : antiquated, ancient, outdated

(1) an **old-fashioned** person, (2) **old-fashioned** in appearance

My father is **old-fashioned** in his thinking.

conservationist

n. a person who advocates or acts to protect and preserve the environment and wildlife

synonym : environmentalist

(1) wildlife **conservationist**, (2) dedicated **conservationist**

The extinction of this species has been a significant concern for **conservationists**.

presence

n. the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

synonym : existence, actuality, fact

(1) the evidence of the **presence**, (2) his majestic **presence**

The path to a solid online **presence** necessitates a high technical ability.

facto

adj. of or relating to facts; done in reality; actually existing or occurring

synonym : actual, real

(1) ex post **facto** approval, (2) a de **facto** government
The new software has become the de **facto** tool for professionals in the field.

sustainable

adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time
synonym: continuable, enduring, tolerable

(1) **sustainable** alternative fuel, (2) principles of **sustainable** development

The government should do more to support environmentally **sustainable** agriculture.

sovereignty

n. supremacy or authority, especially supreme authority over a country

synonym: independence, autonomy, self-rule

(1) democratic **sovereignty**, (2) **sovereignty** issue

The country proclaimed its **sovereignty** over the disputed territory.

pragmatic

adj. practical rather than idealistic

synonym: practical, realistic, down-to-earth

(1) **pragmatic** approach, (2) **pragmatic** politics

He was a **pragmatic** leader who made decisions based on what was practical rather than ideal.

qualified

adj. officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job

synonym: eligible, skillful, accomplished

(1) a **qualified** doctor, (2) **qualified** in medicine

We seek a person **qualified** for the post.

landscape

n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

synonym: geography, terrain, topography

(1) a peaceful **landscape**, (2) **landscape** painting

Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political **landscape** in Europe.

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.

provoke

v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect

synonym: stimulate, incite, encourage

(1) **provoke** a disease, (2) **provoke** a reaction

Her behavior **provoked** a quarrel between the couple.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. gra_____ld development | <i>n.</i> a child of someone's son or daughter |
| 2. high pu____y | <i>n.</i> the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature |
| 3. al_____hm for image processing | <i>n.</i> a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation |
| 4. bu____t train | <i>n.</i> a metal projectile that is shot from a gun |
| 5. op__d section | <i>adj.</i> denoting or relating to a piece of writing or article that expresses the author's opinion or point of view on a particular topic, usually published in a newspaper or magazine on the page opposite the editorial page |
| 6. the state of being we__d | <i>adj.</i> extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain |
| 7. be in a di_____a | <i>n.</i> a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones |
| 8. rei_____ce capital punishment | <i>v.</i> to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued |
| 9. mo__l hazard | <i>adj.</i> concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc. |
| 10. get r_d of the rats | <i>v.</i> to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person |

ANSWERS: 1. grandchild, 2. purity, 3. algorithm, 4. bullet, 5. op-ed, 6. weird, 7. dilemma, 8. reintroduce, 9. moral, 10. rid

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| 11. a p_t bird | <i>n.</i> an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly |
| 12. d__m wrong or inappropriate | <i>v.</i> to consider or decide something in a particular way |
| 13. the most am____g feeling | <i>adj.</i> extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire |
| 14. soil con_____ion | <i>n.</i> the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity |
| 15. br__d suspicion | <i>v.</i> to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner |
| 16. change the ec_____em | <i>n.</i> all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment |
| 17. em_____al health | <i>adj.</i> relating to people's feelings |
| 18. h__e of tears | <i>n.</i> atmospheric moisture, dust, or smoke that makes it less clear; a state of mental confusion caused by lack of clarity |
| 19. historical co_____t | <i>n.</i> the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning |
| 20. biological ta_____my | <i>n.</i> the classification or scientific study of organisms, including their relationships to each other, based on shared characteristics and traits; a system of organizing and categorizing information in a particular field or subject area |

ANSWERS: 11. pet, 12. deem, 13. amazing, 14. conservation, 15. breed, 16. ecosystem, 17. emotional, 18. haze, 19. context, 20. taxonomy

21. the to__c of the book *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
22. in st___e condition *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
23. lingual di_____ty *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
24. welfare ca_____er *n.* a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away
25. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
26. the RSA al_____hm *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
27. chi_____ee behavior *n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur
28. h__n of a vehicle *n.* a hard, pointed, often curved part that grows on the top of the heads of some animals, such as sheep and cows; a noisemaker or musical instrument that makes a loud noise when you blow through it
29. the evidence of the pr_____ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

ANSWERS: 21. topic, 22. stable, 23. diversity, 24. caretaker, 25. perspective, 26. algorithm, 27. chimpanzee, 28. horn, 29. presence

30. a teacher's p_t *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
31. br__d horses *v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
32. the fu__y skin *adj.* covered in fur or a furry material; resembling fur
33. mil_____um bottle of wine *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
34. research on co_____ve psychology *adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding
35. int_____ion by foreign powers *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
36. child we_____e *n.* the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
37. a we__d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
38. ju___e exploration *n.* an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly
39. do_____ic airline *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
40. in_____ne in a dispute *v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse
41. co_____um of choice *n.* a confusing and difficult problem or question
42. ex__d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

ANSWERS: 30. pet, 31. breed, 32. furry, 33. millennium, 34. cognitive, 35. intervention, 36. welfare, 37. weird, 38. jungle, 39. domestic, 40. intervene, 41. conundrum, 42. expand

43. in_____ve eating *adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof
44. co___r of a dog *n.* a band of material worn around the neck, typically forming part of a shirt or jacket
45. c__w time *n.* a slang term for food, typically referring to a particular type of cuisine or meal, such as Chinese chow or chowder
46. a tr___y recipe to follow *adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with
47. di_____y artwork *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
48. chicken-and-egg di_____a *n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones
49. pu__y in a pet shop *n.* a young dog, usually less than a year old
50. agile sq_____el *n.* a small to medium-sized rodent with a bushy tail, found in almost every part of the world
51. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
52. a silence pr_____nt with suspense *adj.* having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus
53. surgical int_____ion *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so

ANSWERS: 43. intuitive, 44. collar, 45. chow, 46. tricky, 47. display, 48. dilemma, 49. puppy, 50. squirrel, 51. perspective, 52. pregnant, 53. intervention

54. co___r of a shirt *n.* a band of material worn around the neck, typically forming part of a shirt or jacket
55. leg_____te question *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
56. li_____ck industry *n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens
57. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
58. a doc_____ry film *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
59. notable in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
60. develop an attitude of hu_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
61. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
62. pi___e barrel *n.* vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation
63. loss of bio_____ity *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
64. ta_____my system *n.* the classification or scientific study of organisms, including their relationships to each other, based on shared characteristics and traits; a system of organizing and categorizing information in a particular field or subject area

ANSWERS: 54. collar, 55. legitimate, 56. livestock, 57. shift, 58. documentary, 59. instance, 60. humility, 61. communal, 62. pickle, 63. biodiversity, 64. taxonomy

65. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
66. po__r regions *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
67. cyclonic des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
68. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
69. have an aw_____e birthday *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
70. intensive agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
71. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
72. st__t hunting *n.* a small carnivorous mammal with a long, slender body and short legs, also known as an ermine or short-tailed weasel
73. the di_____ty policy of the university *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
74. violate a sa_____ry *n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
75. a deep obl_____on *n.* the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
76. past mil_____um *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

ANSWERS: 65. environment, 66. polar, 67. destruction, 68. relation, 69. awesome, 70. agriculture, 71. massive, 72. stoat, 73. diversity, 74. sanctuary, 75. obligation, 76. millennium

77. fast c__w *n.* a slang term for food, typically referring to a particular type of cuisine or meal, such as Chinese chow or chowder
78. a qu_____ed doctor *adj.* officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job
79. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
80. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
81. in_____ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
82. the degree of pu____y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
83. f__k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
84. la_____pe painting *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
85. d__m socially responsible *v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way
86. th_____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
87. an animal sa_____ry *n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse

ANSWERS: 77. chow, 78. qualified, 79. climate, 80. folk, 81. influence, 82. purity, 83. folk, 84. landscape, 85. deem, 86. threaten, 87. sanctuary

88. gray sq____el *n.* a small to medium-sized rodent with a bushy tail, found in almost every part of the world
89. we____l words *n.* a small carnivorous mammal with a long and slender body, short legs, and a long and narrow head, known for its ability to hunt rodents and small animals; someone who behaves in an untrustworthy, deceitful, or cunning manner
90. rei____ce species *v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued
91. an____ce candidacy *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
92. em____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
93. habitual rep____on *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
94. re____e path *v.* to redirect or change the course or direction of something
95. b_t my future *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
96. devastating cr____ue *n.* a detailed analysis or examination of something, especially a literary, philosophical, or political theory; an essay or article that gives a critical evaluation
97. re____e traffic *v.* to redirect or change the course or direction of something

ANSWERS: 88. squirrel, 89. weasel, 90. reintroduce, 91. announce, 92. emotional, 93. repetition, 94. reroute, 95. bet, 96. critique, 97. reroute

98. at your own p__e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
99. in_____ve judgment *adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof
100. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
101. r_b shoulders *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
102. bachelor's de___e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
103. endangered go_____a *n.* a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face
104. bi___e in the market *n.* something important or significant
105. mo__l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
106. school req_____nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
107. su___r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
108. qu_____ed in medicine *adj.* officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job

ANSWERS: 98. pace, 99. intuitive, 100. conversation, 101. rub, 102. degree, 103. gorilla, 104. biggie, 105. moral, 106. requirement, 107. suffer, 108. qualified

109. a we_____e state *n.* the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
110. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
111. ex post fa__o approval *adj.* of or relating to facts; done in reality; actually existing or occurring
112. an et_____l doctrine *adj.* of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these
113. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
114. st__t fur *n.* a small carnivorous mammal with a long, slender body and short legs, also known as an ermine or short-tailed weasel
115. set_____nt in a new house *n.* an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.
116. sus_____le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
117. en_____er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
118. aq_____um fish *n.* a transparent tank of water in which fish and other water animals and plants are kept; a building containing tanks of live fish of different species, especially one that is open to the public

ANSWERS: 109. welfare, 110. complicated, 111. facto, 112. ethical, 113. decide, 114. stoat, 115. settlement, 116. sustainable, 117. encounter, 118. aquarium

119. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
120. su____r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
121. variety of ma____e life *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
122. wi_____fe sanctuary *n.* animals, birds, insects, etc. that grow independently of people and live in natural conditions
123. digital cu_____cy *n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country
124. vi_____ly all countries *adv.* almost completely
125. an old_____ned person *adj.* of or relating to a time in the past; not modern
126. a sort of ma____l *n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
127. pr_____ic politics *adj.* practical rather than idealistic
128. re_____te our conduct *v.* to control something, especially by means of rules or laws
129. his majestic pr_____ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
130. we_____ed family *adj.* having a plentiful and nutritious diet; being sufficiently nourished, and not experiencing hunger or malnourishment
131. fl_____sh economically *v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully

ANSWERS: 119. relation, 120. suffer, 121. marine, 122. wildlife, 123. currency, 124. virtually, 125. old-fashioned, 126. mammal, 127. pragmatic, 128. regulate, 129. presence, 130. well-fed, 131. flourish

132. 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
133. in____t antenna *n.* any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections
134. en_____er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
135. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
136. middle of the ju____e *n.* an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly
137. st_____d service *n.* a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.
138. an unc_____ble silence *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
139. get ne_____s *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
140. con_____on rate *n.* the act or process of changing something from one thing to another; the state of being changed

ANSWERS: 132. discuss, 133. insect, 134. encounter, 135. complicated, 136. jungle, 137. steward, 138. uncomfortable, 139. nervous, 140. conversion

141. 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
142. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
143. we___l her way out of doing the dishes *n.* a small carnivorous mammal with a long and slender body, short legs, and a long and narrow head, known for its ability to hunt rodents and small animals; someone who behaves in an untrustworthy, deceitful, or cunning manner
144. sexual pr_____ors *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
145. animals in ca_____ty in the zoo *n.* the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from
146. escape from ca_____ty *n.* the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from
147. new hy___d system *adj.* composed of different elements or mixed characters
148. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
149. a do_____ic animal *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
150. ext_____on prevention *n.* the complete disappearance of a species from the earth
151. a bull wh__e *n.* a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities

ANSWERS: 141. decide, 142. climate, 143. weasel, 144. predator, 145. captivity, 146. captivity, 147. hybrid, 148. massive, 149. domestic, 150. extinction, 151. whale

152. easy to dom_____te
v. to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
153. dom_____te the plant
v. to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
154. con_____ion in English
n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
155. not no_____ly drink much
adv. usually; under normal conditions
156. artificial cr_____re
n. a living being, especially an animal
157. wh__e watching
n. a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities
158. pr_____ic approach
adj. practical rather than idealistic
159. in_____ct directly with customers
v. to communicate or react with somebody
160. path of des_____on
n. the act of causing so much damage to something
161. the con_____ion law of physics
n. the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
162. have a ni_____re
n. a very frightening or unpleasant dream
163. a handle of h__n
n. a hard, pointed, often curved part that grows on the top of the heads of some animals, such as sheep and cows; a noisemaker or musical instrument that makes a loud noise when you blow through it

ANSWERS: 152. domesticate, 153. domesticate, 154. conversation, 155. normally, 156. creature, 157. whale, 158. pragmatic, 159. interact, 160. destruction, 161. conservation, 162. nightmare, 163. horn

164. ind_____us crop *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
165. a ge_____c disorder *adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
166. pr_____e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
167. tr____y problem *adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with
168. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
169. h__t after knowledge *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
170. the tr__d away from television *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
171. asset on the company's ba_____e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
172. op__d columnist *adj.* denoting or relating to a piece of writing or article that expresses the author's opinion or point of view on a particular topic, usually published in a newspaper or magazine on the page opposite the editorial page
173. pose a co_____um *n.* a confusing and difficult problem or question
174. su_____de a tradition *v.* to replace or be replaced by something else, particularly something newer, better, or more effective; to supplant or take over the place or function of another

ANSWERS: 164. indigenous, 165. genetic, 166. propose, 167. tricky, 168. shift, 169. hunt, 170. trend, 171. balance, 172. op-ed, 173. conundrum, 174. supersede

175. in___t biology *n.* any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections
176. vi_____ly identical *adv.* almost completely
177. brink of ext_____on *n.* the complete disappearance of a species from the earth
178. su_____de an old method *v.* to replace or be replaced by something else, particularly something newer, better, or more effective; to supplant or take over the place or function of another
179. the runner's p___e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
180. a cr_____ue of the social system *n.* a detailed analysis or examination of something, especially a literary, philosophical, or political theory; an essay or article that gives a critical evaluation
181. con_____on therapy *n.* the act or process of changing something from one thing to another; the state of being changed
182. h__t a job *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
183. designed spe_____lly for men *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
184. an international tr__d *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
185. po__r bears *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites

ANSWERS: 175. insect, 176. virtually, 177. extinction, 178. supersede, 179. pace, 180. critique, 181. conversion, 182. hunt, 183. specifically, 184. trend, 185. polar

186. principles of sus_____le
development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
187. re_____nd reading *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
188. 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
189. establish au_____my *n.* the right of an organization, country, or region to govern itself independently
190. organic agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
191. an_____ce the award winners *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
192. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
193. ma___e insurance *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
194. h__e a guide *v.* to give somebody a job
195. a pa_____el case *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
196. pi___e a cucumber *n.* vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation

ANSWERS: 186. sustainable, 187. recommend, 188. discuss, 189. autonomy, 190. agriculture, 191. announce, 192. individual, 193. marine, 194. hire, 195. parallel, 196. pickle

197. ro__n eggs *n.* a small bird from the thrush family, typically having a red breast and found across Europe, Asia, and North America
198. the wel_____ng of a nation *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
199. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
200. nurse a pu__y *n.* a young dog, usually less than a year old
201. pr_____e a reaction *v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
202. bu___t wound *n.* a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
203. b_t on a race *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
204. for in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
205. the set_____nt of a dispute *n.* an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.
206. t__e cycle *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
207. pr_____e a disease *v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect

ANSWERS: 197. robin, 198. well-being, 199. movement, 200. puppy, 201. provoke, 202. bullet, 203. bet, 204. instance, 205. settlement, 206. tide, 207. provoke

208. a peaceful la_____pe	<i>n.</i>	an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
209. development of the ne_____s system	<i>adj.</i>	worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
210. a media bi____e	<i>n.</i>	something important or significant
211. apex pr_____or	<i>n.</i>	an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
212. h__e a car by the hour	<i>v.</i>	to give somebody a job
213. in_____ne between quarreling parties	<i>v.</i>	to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse
214. ride the t__e of change	<i>n.</i>	the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
215. ex____d a lineup	<i>v.</i>	to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
216. have ge_____c testing	<i>adj.</i>	of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
217. fl_____sh worldwide	<i>v.</i>	to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
218. ob_____s reasons	<i>adj.</i>	easy to see, discover or understand
219. chaotic env_____nt	<i>n.</i>	the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
220. di_____t ancestors	<i>adj.</i>	far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship

ANSWERS: 208. landscape, 209. nervous, 210. biggie, 211. predator, 212. hire, 213. intervene, 214. tide, 215. expand, 216. genetic, 217. flourish, 218. obvious, 219. environment, 220. distant

221. aw____e mental faculty *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
222. a sense of wel_____ng *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
223. legal co____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
224. am____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
225. lack of hu____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
226. co____e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
227. th____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
228. doc_____ry proof *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
229. old_____ned in appearance *adj.* of or relating to a time in the past; not modern
230. li____ck agriculture *n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens
231. a serious to__c *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
232. st____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

ANSWERS: 221. awesome, 222. well-being, 223. context, 224. amazing, 225. humility, 226. confuse, 227. threaten, 228. documentary, 229. old-fashioned, 230. livestock, 231. topic, 232. struggle

233. an aw_____d date *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
234. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
235. co_____e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
236. shoulder et_____l responsibility *adj.* of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these
237. bird and other wi_____fe *n.* animals, birds, insects, etc. that grow independently of people and live in natural conditions
238. s__l a hole *v.* to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed
239. st_____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
240. end_____ed ecosystem *adj.* at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats
241. re_____nd a hospitalization *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
242. the role of ca_____er *n.* a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away

ANSWERS: 233. awkward, 234. responsible, 235. confuse, 236. ethical, 237. wildlife, 238. seal, 239. struggle, 240. endangered, 241. recommend, 242. caretaker

243. go____a habitat *n.* a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face
244. a de fa__o government *adj.* of or relating to facts; done in reality; actually existing or occurring
245. imp_____te a woman *v.* to make a woman or female animal pregnant; to infuse or fill something completely
246. d__b creatures *adj.* lacking the power of speech, unable to speak; stupid, or lacking intelligence
247. di_____y merchandise *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
248. pa_____el processing *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
249. a di_____t memory *adj.* far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
250. needs of pr_____nt women *adj.* having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus
251. television i__n *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
252. ann_____ent date *n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news

ANSWERS: 243. gorilla, 244. facto, 245. impregnate, 246. dumb, 247. display, 248. parallel, 249. distant, 250. pregnant, 251. icon, 252. announcement

253. dedicated con_____ist *n.* a person who advocates or acts to protect and preserve the environment and wildlife
254. me_____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
255. have fu__y leaves *adj.* covered in fur or a furry material; resembling fur
256. with an unc_____ble face *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
257. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
258. r_d the body of waste products *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
259. meet req_____nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
260. ro__n's nest *n.* a small bird from the thrush family, typically having a red breast and found across Europe, Asia, and North America
261. a leg_____te child *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
262. political et____s *n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong

ANSWERS: 253. conservationist, 254. mention, 255. furry, 256. uncomfortable, 257. introduction, 258. rid, 259. requirement, 260. robin, 261. legitimate, 262. ethics

263. cr_____re of habit *n.* a living being, especially an animal
264. co_____nt urinary diversion *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
265. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
266. regional au_____my *n.* the right of an organization, country, or region to govern itself independently
267. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
268. rep_____on of the word *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
269. struck d__b *adj.* lacking the power of speech, unable to speak; stupid, or lacking intelligence
270. sov_____ty issue *n.* supremacy or authority, especially supreme authority over a country
271. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
272. we_____ed livestock *adj.* having a plentiful and nutritious diet; being sufficiently nourished, and not experiencing hunger or malnourishment
273. the inland of a co_____nt *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

ANSWERS: 263. creature, 264. continent, 265. mention, 266. autonomy, 267. introduction, 268. repetition, 269. dumb, 270. sovereignty, 271. individual, 272. well-fed, 273. continent

274. ind_____us peoples *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
275. complete no_____ly *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
276. r_b a glass window *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
277. for spe_____lly American customers *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
278. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
279. st_____d duties *n.* a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.
280. re_____te blood sugar levels *v.* to control something, especially by means of rules or laws
281. marine ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
282. public ann_____ent *n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news
283. ni_____re situation *n.* a very frightening or unpleasant dream
284. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

ANSWERS: 274. indigenous, 275. normally, 276. rub, 277. specifically, 278. communal, 279. steward, 280. regulate, 281. ecosystem, 282. announcement, 283. nightmare, 284. degree

285. the ba____e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
286. a primitive ma____l *n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
287. chi____ee society *n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur
288. have a st____e job *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
289. a fur s____l *v.* to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed
290. gra____ld-grandparent relationship *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
291. pr____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
292. bio____ity conservation *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
293. improve co____ve function *adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding
294. imp____te with a medicinal substance *v.* to make a woman or female animal pregnant; to infuse or fill something completely
295. an aw____d expression *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

ANSWERS: 285. balance, 286. mammal, 287. chimpanzee, 288. stable, 289. seal, 290. grandchild, 291. propose, 292. biodiversity, 293. cognitive, 294. impregnate, 295. awkward

296. end_____ed species *adj.* at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats
297. in_____ce the daily life *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
298. pay an obl_____on *n.* the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
299. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
300. democratic sov_____ty *n.* supremacy or authority, especially supreme authority over a country
301. a h__e of illusion *n.* atmospheric moisture, dust, or smoke that makes it less clear; a state of mental confusion caused by lack of clarity
302. cu_____cy exchange *n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country
303. i__n for young people *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
304. et___s of journalism *n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong
305. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 296. endangered, 297. influence, 298. obligation, 299. responsible, 300. sovereignty, 301. haze, 302. currency, 303. icon, 304. ethics, 305. movement

306. wildlife con_____ist *n.* a person who advocates or acts to protect and preserve the environment and wildlife
307. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
308. an interspecific hy____d *adj.* composed of different elements or mixed characters
309. in_____ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
310. virtual aq_____um *n.* a transparent tank of water in which fish and other water animals and plants are kept; a building containing tanks of live fish of different species, especially one that is open to the public

ANSWERS: 306. conservationist, 307. obvious, 308. hybrid, 309. interact, 310. aquarium

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Higher _____ requires additional equipment and energy.
 - n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature

2. Following international law, our country does not _____ in the internal affairs of our neighbors.
 - v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse

3. We need to _____ our products in an attractive way to attract customers.
 - v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value

4. The path to a solid online _____ necessitates a high technical ability.
 - n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

5. The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat _____.
 - n.* the act of causing so much damage to something

6. Marine _____ populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.
 - n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body

7. We must ____ ourselves of pollution.
 - v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

ANSWERS: 1. purity, 2. intervene, 3. display, 4. presence, 5. destruction, 6. mammal, 7. rid

8. The _____ of the dinosaurs is thought to have been caused by an asteroid impact.
- n.* the complete disappearance of a species from the earth
9. Flight across the _____ was a daring adventure in its day.
- n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
10. We are responsible for the care and _____ of all our employees.
- n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
11. Life as a waiter was a big _____ for him.
- n.* a very frightening or unpleasant dream
12. The stray _____ went through the window and hit the wall.
- n.* a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
13. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.
- n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
14. The company made an _____ about its new product at a press conference.
- n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news
15. The forest was recently designated a _____ area.
- n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

ANSWERS: 8. extinction, 9. continent, 10. well-being, 11. nightmare, 12. bullet, 13. introduction, 14. announcement, 15. conservation

16. His abusive words made me _____.

adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

17. The government is planning to _____ wolves to the national park to restore the balance of the ecosystem.

v. to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued

18. He _____ the letter with hot wax.

v. to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed

19. He enjoyed hearing the tootles of their _____ with beer.

n. a hard, pointed, often curved part that grows on the top of the heads of some animals, such as sheep and cows; a noisemaker or musical instrument that makes a loud noise when you blow through it

20. The economy is growing at a supercharged _____.

n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

21. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

22. The _____ used in this country is the Euro.

n. a system of money in general use in a particular country

23. The _____ design of the interface made the operation difficult.

adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

ANSWERS: 16. uncomfortable, 17. reintroduce, 18. sealed, 19. horns, 20. pace, 21. degree, 22. currency, 23. awkward

24. He could not _____ against temptation.

- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

25. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

- v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

26. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.

- n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

27. The mule is a _____ between a male donkey and a female horse.

- adj.* composed of different elements or mixed characters

28. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.

- n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

29. He was impressed by the range and _____ of the collection.

- n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

30. I _____ that you know it.

- v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

31. Pandas rarely breed in _____.

- n.* the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from

32. The new software has become the de _____ tool for professionals in the field.

- adj.* of or relating to facts; done in reality; actually existing or occurring

ANSWERS: 24. struggle, 25. propose, 26. instances, 27. hybrid, 28. folk, 29. diversity, 30. bet, 31. captivity, 32. fact

33. The deep sea _____ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

n. a living being, especially an animal

34. This scripture provides the code of _____ for the religion.

n. a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong

35. Her behavior _____ a quarrel between the couple.

v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect

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

v. to give somebody a job

37. He acted as a _____ until a new president was elected.

n. a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away

38. 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

39. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

40. I had an _____ feeling that I might be pregnant.

adj. obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof

ANSWERS: 33. creature, 34. ethics, 35. provoked, 36. hire, 37. caretaker, 38. decide, 39. threatening, 40. intuitive

41. Many zoos have _____ exhibits, allowing visitors to observe these intelligent primates up close.
- n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur
42. The third season of the anime show has been _____.
- v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
43. I love listening to the cheerful song of the _____ in my garden.
- n.* a small bird from the thrush family, typically having a red breast and found across Europe, Asia, and North America
44. He won an award for that short _____.
- n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
45. Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political _____ in Europe.
- n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
46. We can evaluate the performance of an _____ in terms of computation time.
- n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
47. The _____ diet consists mostly of small rodents, such as mice and voles.
- n.* a small carnivorous mammal with a long, slender body and short legs, also known as an ermine or short-tailed weasel
48. These _____ are more prevalent above a certain latitude.
- n.* any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections

ANSWERS: 41. chimpanzee, 42. announced, 43. robin, 44. documentary, 45. landscape, 46. algorithm, 47. stoat's, 48. insects

49. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.
v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly
50. His _____ faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.
adj. of or relating to mental processes of understanding
51. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the _____.
n. all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
52. The grandparents take care of their _____ while the parents are at work.
n. a child of someone's son or daughter
53. Red _____ is often harmful to the local ecosystem.
n. the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
54. The _____ on the flight was very helpful in assisting passengers with their needs.
n. a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.
55. Some countries have a culture of eating the flesh of a _____.
n. a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities
56. The choice between bureaucracy and adhococracy represents a common _____.
n. a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones

ANSWERS: 49. mentioned, 50. cognitive, 51. ecosystem, 52. grandchild, 53. tide, 54. steward, 55. whale, 56. dilemma

57. This ad campaign is aimed _____ at young women.

adv. only associated with or meant for one thing

58. We _____ taking media training every six months.

v. to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role

59. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

60. The group faced a _____ when they couldn't decide whether to go hiking or to the beach.

n. a confusing and difficult problem or question

61. 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

62. He walked a road _____ to the railroad.

adj. being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations

63. Due to the traffic, the delivery truck had to _____ to avoid the congested roads.

v. to redirect or change the course or direction of something

64. I'm prepared to _____ challenges throughout this adventure.

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

ANSWERS: 57. specifically, 58. recommend, 59. relations, 60. conundrum, 61. discuss, 62. parallel, 63. reroute, 64. encounter

65. The _____ of insects is incredibly complex due to the huge number of species.
- n.* the classification or scientific study of organisms, including their relationships to each other, based on shared characteristics and traits; a system of organizing and categorizing information in a particular field or subject area
66. This world-class _____ offers educational programs for school groups.
- n.* a transparent tank of water in which fish and other water animals and plants are kept; a building containing tanks of live fish of different species, especially one that is open to the public
67. The _____ at the zoo impressed visitors with its size and strength.
- n.* a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face
68. We seek a person _____ for the post.
- adj.* officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job
69. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
- n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
70. The _____ plants need to be pollinated by local insects.
- adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
71. 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

ANSWERS: 65. taxonomy, 66. aquarium, 67. gorilla, 68. qualified, 69. individual, 70. indigenous, 71. suffers

72. We must manage to _____ our expenditure.

v. to control something, especially by means of rules or laws

73. We _____ cows to gain milk and meat.

v. to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company

74. The _____ cat lay lazily in the sun.

adj. having a plentiful and nutritious diet; being sufficiently nourished, and not experiencing hunger or malnourishment

75. Some comic book characters are considered gay _____.

n. a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

76. We decided to order some Chinese _____ for dinner tonight.

n. a slang term for food, typically referring to a particular type of cuisine or meal, such as Chinese chow or chowder

77. The new technology will _____ the old one in no time.

v. to replace or be replaced by something else, particularly something newer, better, or more effective; to supplant or take over the place or function of another

78. Our world is in the third _____.

n. a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

79. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

ANSWERS: 72. regulate, 73. domesticate, 74. well-fed, 75. icons, 76. chow, 77. supersede, 78. millennium, 79. perspective

80. This _____ does not require the patient's consent.

- n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so

81. _____ animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.

- adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites

82. Seals and whales are _____ animals beloved by the people.

- adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there

83. Her remarks _____ the debate.

- v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

84. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.

- adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

85. My father is _____ in his thinking.

- adj.* of or relating to a time in the past; not modern

86. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

87. Could you help me _____ some furniture?

- n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

88. The conservation area has an abundance of _____.

- n.* animals, birds, insects, etc. that grow independently of people and live in natural conditions

ANSWERS: 80. intervention, 81. Polar, 82. marine, 83. confused, 84. moral, 85. old-fashioned, 86. Communal, 87. shift, 88. wildlife

89. The _____ in the park were very friendly and came right up to us looking for food.
- n.* a small to medium-sized rodent with a bushy tail, found in almost every part of the world
90. We couldn't see him through the _____ of smoke.
- n.* atmospheric moisture, dust, or smoke that makes it less clear; a state of mental confusion caused by lack of clarity
91. The _____ of the discussion was the current state of the economy.
- n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
92. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
- adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
93. GDP stands for gross _____ product.
- adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
94. There is a lot of _____ nature and food in Hawaii.
- adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
95. The church offered _____ to refugees fleeing from war-torn countries.
- n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
96. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.
- adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid

ANSWERS: 89. squirrels, 90. haze, 91. topic, 92. responsible, 93. domestic, 94. awesome, 95. sanctuary, 96. massive

97. Our goal must be to achieve a peaceful _____.

n. an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.

98. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

99. Relations between the two countries have been relatively _____ due to the summit meeting.

adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

100. The country proclaimed its _____ over the disputed territory.

n. supremacy or authority, especially supreme authority over a country

101. Demonstrators strongly demanded immediate _____ for their country.

n. the right of an organization, country, or region to govern itself independently

102. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.

n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

103. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

adj. relating to people's feelings

104. Hounds _____ their prey by using their keen scent.

v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit

ANSWERS: 97. settlement, 98. complicated, 99. stable, 100. sovereignty, 101. autonomy, 102. balance, 103. emotional, 104. hunt

105. She vacated the position when she got _____.

adj. having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus

106. The president must have the highest _____ standards.

adj. of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these

107. _____ all the parties signed the contract.

adv. almost completely

108. He suffers from _____ breakdowns.

adj. worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves

109. He should _____ more with his colleagues.

v. to communicate or react with somebody

110. The developer's _____ of the old factory into a modern loft apartment complex was a major success.

n. the act or process of changing something from one thing to another; the state of being changed

111. The sperm _____ the egg, and fertilization occurred.

v. to make a woman or female animal pregnant; to infuse or fill something completely

112. He put on his _____ and tie before leaving for work.

n. a band of material worn around the neck, typically forming part of a shirt or jacket

ANSWERS: 105. pregnant, 106. ethical, 107. Virtually, 108. nervous, 109. interact, 110. conversion, 111. impregnated, 112. collar

113. She adopted a small brown _____ from the shelter.

n. a young dog, usually less than a year old

114. Regarding earthquakes, some commercial buildings were _____ unsafe.

v. to consider or decide something in a particular way

115. She _____ the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.

v. to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure

116. _____ is the foundation of our economy.

n. the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock

117. The country was instrumental in promoting the _____ treaty.

n. the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment

118. _____ feed is made from fodder crops.

n. farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens

119. This village is still in a dense _____.

n. an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly

120. I don't _____ take a vacation in the middle of summer.

adv. usually; under normal conditions

121. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

122. You are under no _____ to finish the job.

n. the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something

ANSWERS: 113. puppy, 114. deemed, 115. rubbed, 116. Agriculture, 117. biodiversity, 118. Livestock, 119. jungle, 120. normally, 121. expand, 122. obligation

123. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
124. Following the _____ from the professor, students rewrite their essays and submit them for final evaluation.
n. a detailed analysis or examination of something, especially a literary, philosophical, or political theory; an essay or article that gives a critical evaluation
125. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
126. The stuffed animal was so _____ and soft that it was hard to resist hugging it.
adj. covered in fur or a furry material; resembling fur
127. He made a _____ mistake and forgot to submit the report on time.
adj. lacking the power of speech, unable to speak; stupid, or lacking intelligence
128. The sun set over the crest of _____ hills.
adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
129. She struggled for years to survive without _____.
n. the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
130. We were filled with _____ at the sight of the Queen.
n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
131. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.
n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

ANSWERS: 123. Climate, 124. critique, 125. amazing, 126. furry, 127. dumb, 128. distant, 129. welfare, 130. humility, 131. influence

132. The government has implemented policies to protect the habitat of _____ animals.

adj. at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats

133. Public political demonstrations are considered _____ rights for citizens.

adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

134. What is the entry _____ for this course?

n. something that is needed or wanted

135. I have a parrot as a _____.

n. an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

136. The oil price continued their downward _____.

n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing

137. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

138. My computer has been acting _____ recently.

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

139. The native South American animals were in danger because of the _____ arrival.

n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

140. _____ is the mother of all learning.

n. the act of doing or saying something many times

ANSWERS: 132. endangered, 133. legitimate, 134. requirement, 135. pet, 136. trend, 137. environment, 138. weird, 139. predator's, 140. Repetition

141. The _____ piece offered a unique perspective on the political situation.
adj. denoting or relating to a piece of writing or article that expresses the author's opinion or point of view on a particular topic, usually published in a newspaper or magazine on the page opposite the editorial page
142. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
143. Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the _____ code.
adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
144. The _____ must have an acidity level high enough to inhibit the growth of bacteria.
n. vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation
145. The government should do more to support environmentally _____ agriculture.
adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time
146. We have discussed the entirety of this _____ problem.
adj. requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with
147. The Ottoman Empire _____ for over five centuries.
v. to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
148. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
adj. easy to see, discover or understand

ANSWERS: 141. op-ed, 142. movement, 143. genetic, 144. pickle, 145. sustainable, 146. tricky, 147. flourished, 148. obvious

149. Winning the lottery is a _____ for most people.

n. something important or significant

150. This animal _____ in northern latitudes.

v. to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner

151. He was a _____ leader who made decisions based on what was practical rather than ideal.

adj. practical rather than idealistic

152. 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

153. The _____ long and slender body allows it to easily navigate small spaces.

n. a small carnivorous mammal with a long and slender body, short legs, and a long and narrow head, known for its ability to hunt rodents and small animals; someone who behaves in an untrustworthy, deceitful, or cunning manner

154. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

155. The extinction of this species has been a significant concern for _____.

n. a person who advocates or acts to protect and preserve the environment and wildlife

ANSWERS: 149. biggie, 150. breeds, 151. pragmatic, 152. context, 153. weasel's, 154. conversation, 155. conservationists