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Session 1: Word List

- flee** v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
synonym : exit, escape, run away
(1) **flee** their homes, (2) **flee** abroad
It is a basic instinct to **flee** from a dangerous situation.
- nap** n. a short sleep, especially during the day
synonym : rest, doze, drowse
(1) take a **nap**, (2) daytime **nap**
She woke the kids up from their **nap**.
- elect** v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
synonym : select, choose, prefer
(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death
Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.
- fiend** n. an evil or wicked person or supernatural being; someone who is excessively devoted or addicted to something
synonym : monster, demon, devil
(1) **fiend** for chocolate, (2) fitness **fiend**
The **fiend** in the horror movie gave me nightmares for weeks.

platform

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

synonym : stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise

The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

specific

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

synonym : particular, definite, distinct

(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations

The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.

intention

n. something you want to do and are going to do

synonym : purpose, connotation, will

(1) **intention** behind his decision, (2) clear **intention**

Our CEO's **intentions** are always transparent and straightforward.

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.

worldview

n. a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world

synonym : perspective, position, viewpoint

(1) mainstream **worldview**, (2) the **worldview** of the ancient civilization

The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing **worldviews**.

radical

adj. relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions

synonym : extreme, revolutionary

(1) a **radical** flaw in the plan, (2) a **radical** cure

The government established by the coup was more **radical** than before.

opposition

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

synonym : resistance, hostility, antagonism

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

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

interaction

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

synonym : dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,

(2) **interaction** among human beings

The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

construct

v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

synonym : build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

politically

adv. in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation

(1) **politically** advantageous, (2) become **politically** savvy

This newspaper is supposed to be **politically** neutral.

ideological

adj. relating to or concerned with ideas and theories rather than practical matters

synonym : theoretical, abstract, philosophical

(1) **ideological** divide, (2) **ideological** differences

The book presents an **ideological** perspective on the role of

government in society.

poll *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
synonym: survey, ballot, voting

(1) a pre-election **poll**, (2) public opinion **polls**
Several **polls** show a decline in the president's approval rating.

politician *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
synonym: congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

(1) a **politician** in the ruling party, (2) a corrupt **politician**
The **politician** lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

open-minded *adj.* willing to listen to or consider new or different ideas
synonym: receptive, impartial, approachable
(1) an **open-minded** person, (2) adopt an **open-minded** attitude
Both parties were pleased with the **open-minded** discussion.

conviction *n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
synonym: belief, certainty, faith

(1) moral **conviction**, (2) **conviction** for murder
She spoke with **conviction** about the importance of education.

confront *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
synonym: engage, encounter, contend

(1) **confront** a global warming, (2) **confront** the issue
He finally decided to **confront** problems directly.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

perseverance

n. steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success

synonym: persistence, tenacity, determination

(1) unwavering **perseverance**, (2) dogged **perseverance**

Despite facing numerous setbacks and obstacles, his **perseverance** and determination led him to success.

persevere

v. to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement

synonym: persist, endure, continue

(1) **persevere** through hardships, (2) **persevere** in my goals

Even when faced with challenges, it's important to **persevere** and never give up.

disagree

v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

synonym: discord, oppose, dissent

(1) **disagree** about a particular issue, (2) **disagree** with a plan

I **disagree** for reasons already stated above.

debate

n. a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

synonym: argument, discussion, dispute

(1) **debate** topic, (2) **debate** competition

The **debate** over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

championship

n. a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and

support

synonym : crown, title, contest

(1) a world **championship**, (2) **championship** flag

His team won the **championship** for three years running.

argument

n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

synonym : debate, discourse, discussion

(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment

The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

victory

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

synonym : win, triumph, success

(1) **victory** in the law court, (2) **victory** over terrorism

We are optimistic about our final **victory**.

progression

n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

synonym : advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease

The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

government

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

synonym : administration, regime, state

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

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

corporation

n. a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

synonym :

business, company, enterprise

(1) a public **corporation**, (2) **corporation** assets

Four companies were amalgamated into a single **corporation**.

uncover

v. to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden

synonym: disclose, reveal, unveil

(1) **uncover** a potential problem, (2) **uncover** the truth

He continued his investigation and soon **uncovered** another crime.

technique

n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

synonym: approach, procedure, strategy

(1) a **technique** in martial arts, (2) the **technique** applied to construction

Jockey's superior **technique** brought him victory.

divide

v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

synonym: separate, disconnect, split

(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money equally

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

unbridgeable

adj. unable to be crossed or bridged; impossible to reconcile or overcome

synonym: impassable, insurmountable

(1) **unbridgeable** gap, (2) **unbridgeable** differences

The cultural divide between the two communities was **unbridgeable** and led to constant conflict.

dialogue

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film

synonym: conversation, discussion, talk

(1) Platonic **dialogues**, (2) the form of a **dialogue**

He recorded the **dialogue** at the time of the incident.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym : critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life
Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

feat

n. a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

synonym : achievement, accomplishment, exploit

(1) intellectual **feat**, (2) **feat** accomplishment

It is an incredible **feat** to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

curiosity

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

synonym : interest, inquisitiveness, novelty

(1) boundless **curiosity**, (2) satisfy my intellectual **curiosity**

We are motivated by **curiosity** rather than necessity.

clash

n. a fight or argument between two groups of people; a loud noise caused by striking against something

synonym : blow, conflict, disagreement

(1) a **clash** of viewpoints, (2) a **clash** between the two task forces

Her dress was a disturbing **clash** of colors.

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.

cage

n. a structure made of metal bars or wire in which birds or animals can be kept

synonym : enclosure, jail, corral

(1) an insect **cage**, (2) a bird in a **cage**

The trapped bear is running amok in its **cage**.

anchor

n. a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability

synonym: mainstay, ballast, backbone

(1) **anchor** bolt, (2) **anchor** weight

The ship dropped **anchor** in the bay.

tempting

adj. likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

synonym: alluring, attractive, inviting

(1) **tempting** offer, (2) sound very **tempting**

The chocolate cake was too **tempting** for me to resist.

headlong

adv. with great speed or force; in a rush, or without caution

synonym: recklessly, impulsively, precipitously

(1) continue **headlong** into a risky business, (2) fall **headlong**

He stumbled **headlong** down the stairs, tumbling to the bottom.

argue

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

synonym: debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

pun

n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay

synonym: joke, quip, wordplay

(1) witty **pun**, (2) silly **pun**

The comedian's **pun** had the audience laughing out loud.

offense

n. an illegal act; a feeling of anger caused by a perceived insult to or disregard for oneself; the action of attacking an enemy

synonym : crime, violation, insult

(1) minor traffic **offenses**, (2) a first **offense**

Parental indifference to their children leads to juvenile **offenses**.

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.

graze

v. to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping

synonym : nibble, feed, scrape

(1) turn cattle out to **graze**, (2) **graze** the left shoulder

The sheep **graze** on the green grass in the meadow.

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.

fence

n. a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property

synonym : barrier, wall, hedge

(1) **fence** post, (2) a brushwood **fence**

She planted a hedge to serve as a natural **fence** around her garden.

instinctively

adv. as a matter of nature or intuition rather than thought or training

synonym : inherently, intuitively, naturally

(1) **instinctively** grabbed the knife, (2) **instinctively** bad with children

Some researchers claim that even humans can **instinctively** sense earthquakes.

react

v. to take action in response to something

synonym : respond, reply, oppose

(1) **react** at a high temperature, (2) **react** against his way of thinking

How did he **react** to your idea?

violent

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

synonym : aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

remarkable

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

synonym : outstanding, exceptional, extraordinary

(1) **remarkable** achievement, (2) the **remarkable** breadth of knowledge

The election was a **remarkable** success for the Whigs.

foe

n. an enemy or opponent; someone or something that is opposed to or in conflict with another

synonym : enemy, adversary, opponent

(1) a political **foe**, (2) bitter **foe**

The superhero's arch- **foe** was an evil mastermind who always got away.

corporate

adj. of or relating to a large company

synonym : business, commercial, organizational

(1) **corporate** right, (2) **corporate** environment

The **corporate** office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

rival

n. a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area

synonym: adversary, competitor, contender

(1) **rival** bidder, (2) merge with a **rival** company

He interfered with his **rivals** in various ways during the campaign.

one-shot

adj. made or happening only once; done or achieved in a single attempt or action

synonym: single-shot, one-time, one-use

(1) **one-shot** deal, (2) **one-shot** vaccine

The basketball player took a **one-shot** opportunity and made the winning shot.

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.

variant

n. something that is slightly different from others of the same type

synonym: variation, modification, variance

(1) **variant** types of pigeon, (2) a **variant** of the same word

The first **variant** of the virus appeared in less than a month.

nugget

n. a small piece of gold or other precious metal or mineral found ready-formed in the earth; a small round piece of some food

synonym: chunk, clod, clump

(1) a gold **nugget**, (2) **nugget** of truth

It took a few weeks to extract the **nugget** of information from those complicated sources.

adapt

v. to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment

synonym: adjust, acclimate, accustom

(1) **adapt** fully to the environment, (2) **adapt** as needed

I advised him to **adapt** to his new surroundings.

criticism

n. the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure

synonym: critique, commentary, review

(1) **criticism** from the public, (2) harsh **criticism**

Constructive **criticism** is always helpful to help improving one's work.

stake

n. a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something

synonym: share, interest, post

(1) execution by burning at a **stake**, (2) buy the company's **stake**

The **stake** of the company is too high nowadays.

negotiation

n. the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

synonym: bargaining, dialogue, haggling

(1) **negotiation** process, (2) **negotiation** skills

The **negotiation** between the two countries was a delicate and complex process.

negotiate

v. to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement

synonym: discuss, mediate, bargain

(1) **negotiate** a settlement, (2) **negotiate** the price of the

house

We are always happy to **negotiate** a discount.

proposal

n. a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one

synonym: offer, suggestion, proposition

(1) an innovative **proposal**, (2) details of his **proposal**

Our skeleton outline of the **proposal** met with much opposition.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

magic

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

synonym: fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

rocket

n. a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon

synonym: projectile, missile

(1) **rocket** attack against the enemy, (2) **rocket** fuel

The **rocket** launch platform is visible from this hill.

fuel

n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy

synonym: energy, power, gas

(1) biomass **fuel**, (2) smokeless **fuel**

The **fuel** scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym : sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

decision

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

synonym : choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

principle

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

synonym : rule, creed, code

(1) **principle** of treatment, (2) **principle** in business

Efficiency isn't an essential **principle** here; fairness is.

policy

n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

synonym : strategy, plan, guideline

(1) health **policy**, (2) foreign **policy**

The company's new **policy** on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

inadvertently

adv. unintentionally; accidentally; without purpose or deliberate intent

synonym : unknowingly, unintentionally, accidentally

(1) **inadvertently** deleted, (2) **inadvertently** omitted
I **inadvertently** left my phone at home this morning and felt lost.

naturally

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

synonym: by nature, inherently, intrinsically

(1) **naturally** arising, (2) **naturally** regenerated forest
He was **naturally** gifted.

insider

n. a person who has privileged access to special or secret information about a particular organization or field

synonym: mole, privileged person

(1) **insider** trading, (2) company **insider**
He's a Wall Street **insider** with a lot of valuable information.

broad

adj. very wide; general

synonym: wide, expansive, comprehensive

(1) attract **broad** attention, (2) a **broad** mind
He accumulated wealth across a **broad** spectrum of assets.

stroke

n. a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

synonym: blow

(1) suffer **stroke**, (2) a **stroke** of the putter
This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat **stroke** cases.

zip

n. a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently

synonym: fastener, postcode, slide

(1) **zip** code, (2) **zip** file

She put her phone in the **zip** pocket of her backpack.

counterpart

n. a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing

synonym : equivalent, analogue, match

(1) **counterpart** agreement, (2) negotiating **counterpart**

His **counterpart** in the other company is responsible for marketing.

articulate

v. to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language

synonym : express, state, utter

(1) **articulate** his position, (2) eloquently **articulate**

She was able to **articulate** her argument in the debate clearly.

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.

dwell

v. to live or reside in a particular place; to think, speak, or write at length on a particular subject; to linger or remain as if unwilling to leave

synonym : reside, inhabit, occupy

(1) **dwell** on a problem, (2) **dwell** on the past

I love to **dwell** in nature and feel its calming effects on me.

boggy

adj. containing a lot of soft, wet soil; marshy, swampy, or waterlogged

synonym : swampy, marshy, mucky

(1) **boggy** land, (2) **boggy** area

The trail through the forest was so **boggy** that our shoes became soaked.

practicality

n. the quality of being practical or useful in real-life circumstances; the ability to make responsible decisions based on practical considerations rather than abstract or theoretical ones

synonym: usefulness, functionality, pragmatism

(1) the **practicality** of the solution, (2) lack of **practicality**

The company chose a more expensive option to prioritize **practicality** over aesthetics.

inviting

adj. having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate

synonym: attractive, tempting, alluring

(1) **inviting** scent, (2) **inviting** atmosphere

The **inviting** aroma of freshly baked bread drew me into the bakery.

inhabit

v. to live in a specific location; to reside

synonym: settle, occupy, populate

(1) **inhabit** a cave, (2) **inhabit** the stomach

I have no idea what sort of folks **inhabit** the neighborhood.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

synonym: chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

deputy

n. a person who is appointed as the substitute of another and given the power to do something instead of another

synonym: aide, assistant, appointee

(1) a **deputy** governor, (2) **deputy** attorney general

She left the decision to her **deputy**

prime

adj. main or most important; basic

synonym : excellent, exceptional, premium

(1) **prime** number, (2) deputy **prime** minister

After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the **prime** suspect.

minister

n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

synonym : bishop, official, ambassador

(1) **Minister** for Education, (2) deputy prime **minister**

The **minister** occasionally preaches at this church.

elector

n. a person who has the right to vote in an election

synonym : voter, constituent, citizen

(1) presidential **elector**, (2) qualified for an **elector**

The **elector** cast their vote for the candidate they believed in.

unlikely

adj. not probable or likely to happen

synonym : doubtful, questionable, far-fetched

(1) **unlikely** event, (2) it is **unlikely** that he would win the game

The passage of the bill is **unlikely**.

coalition

n. a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body

synonym : union, confederation, alliance

(1) a three-party **coalition**, (2) **coalition** forces

The two largest opposition parties announced they would form a **coalition** in the next elections.

memorandum

n. a written message or communication that serves as a reminder or to convey information or instructions to someone, often used in a business or official context

synonym : memo, note, reminder

(1) **memorandum** of understanding, (2) internal **memorandum**

The boss sent us a **memorandum** outlining the new company policy on remote work.

inevitable

adj. certain to happen and unavoidable

synonym: inescapable, unavoidable, sure

(1) **inevitable** changes of the seasons, (2) **inevitable** result
In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is **inevitable**.

setup

n. the arrangement or organization of something, often with a specific purpose or intention; a scheme or plan that is intended to deceive or trick someone

synonym: arrangement, installation, organization

(1) office **setup**, (2) network **setup**

The **setup** for the conference was impressive and professional.

conservative

adj. holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

synonym: traditional, reactionary, cautious

(1) a **conservative** society, (2) **conservative** about production

He always makes a **conservative** estimation when predicting future sales.

liberal

adj. willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded

synonym: broad, free, large-minded

(1) a **liberal** arts college, (2) under **liberal** conditions

He is **liberal** in his thoughts.

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.

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.

adversary

n. a person, group, or force that opposes or fights against another; an enemy or opponent

synonym : opponent, enemy, foe

(1) **adversary** team, (2) political **adversary**

The boxer's toughest **adversary** was his fear of losing.

navigate

v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

synonym : guide, helm, voyage

(1) **navigate** the Pacific, (2) **navigate** through a document

Our knowledge helps **navigate** our clients successfully.

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.

cacophony

n. a harsh, discordant mixture of sounds; a jarring or unpleasant noise or combination of sounds

synonym : discord, noise, dissonance

(1) **cacophony** of sound, (2) emotional **cacophony**

The construction next door has created a constant **cacophony** of drilling and hammering.

cable

n. a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

synonym : wire, cord, rope

(1) **cable** television, (2) coaxial **cable**

This system uses submarine **cables** to exchange information between continents.

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.

hostility

n. aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior

synonym : antagonism, antipathy, estrangement

(1) an act of **hostility**, (2) bitter **hostility**

Her unconcealed **hostility** made us unpleasant.

opportune

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

synonym : suitable, timely, practical

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

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

persuade

v. to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion

synonym : convince, influence, sway

(1) attempt to **persuade**, (2) **persuade** enough people

She tried to **persuade** her brother to join her on the trip, but he was too busy with work.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. vi_____t incident | <i>adj.</i> involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something |
| 2. clear in_____on | <i>n.</i> something you want to do and are going to do |
| 3. negotiating cou_____rt | <i>n.</i> a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing |
| 4. es_____al amino acid | <i>adj.</i> indispensable; fundamental |
| 5. the wo_____ew of the ancient civilization | <i>n.</i> a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world |
| 6. f__e their homes | <i>v.</i> to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger |
| 7. a political f_e | <i>n.</i> an enemy or opponent; someone or something that is opposed to or in conflict with another |
| 8. ind_____us peoples | <i>adj.</i> someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place |
| 9. ins_____ely bad with children | <i>adv.</i> as a matter of nature or intuition rather than thought or training |
| 10. dw__l on a problem | <i>v.</i> to live or reside in a particular place; to think, speak, or write at length on a particular subject; to linger or remain as if unwilling to leave |

ANSWERS: 1. violent, 2. intention, 3. counterpart, 4. essential, 5. worldview, 6. flee, 7. foe, 8. indigenous, 9. instinctively, 10. dwell

11. en_____er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
12. lack of pra_____ity *n.* the quality of being practical or useful in real-life circumstances; the ability to make responsible decisions based on practical considerations rather than abstract or theoretical ones
13. an arrival pl_____rm *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
14. 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
15. health po____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
16. f__t accomplishment *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
17. neg_____on skills *n.* the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

ANSWERS: 11. encounter, 12. practicality, 13. platform, 14. discuss, 15. policy, 16. feat, 17. negotiation

18. an___r bolt *n.* a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability
19. re__t at a high temperature *v.* to take action in response to something
20. an innovative pr____al *n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
21. neg_____on process *n.* the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others
22. fe__e post *n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property
23. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
24. ri__l bidder *n.* a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area
25. deputy pr__e minister *adj.* main or most important; basic
26. con_____ive about production *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
27. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
28. vi_____y in the law court *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

ANSWERS: 18. anchor, 19. react, 20. proposal, 21. negotiation, 22. fence, 23. politician, 24. rival, 25. prime, 26. conservative, 27. communal, 28. victory

29. intellectual f__t *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
30. silly p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
31. co_____nt the issue *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
32. dw__l on the past *v.* to live or reside in a particular place; to think, speak, or write at length on a particular subject; to linger or remain as if unwilling to leave
33. in_____ng atmosphere *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
34. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
35. a ra_____l cure *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
36. smokeless f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
37. in_____on behind his decision *n.* something you want to do and are going to do
38. co_____on forces *n.* a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body

ANSWERS: 29. feat, 30. pun, 31. confront, 32. dwell, 33. inviting, 34. communal, 35. radical, 36. fuel, 37. intention, 38. coalition

39. vi_____y over terrorism *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
40. a cl__h of viewpoints *n.* a fight or argument between two groups of people; a loud noise caused by striking against something
41. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
42. turn cattle out to gr__e *v.* to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping
43. un_____r the truth *v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
44. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
45. in_____ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
46. ad_____ry team *n.* a person, group, or force that opposes or fights against another; an enemy or opponent
47. merge with a ri__l company *n.* a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area
48. pe_____re in my goals *v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement

ANSWERS: 39. victory, 40. clash, 41. essential, 42. graze, 43. uncover, 44. argument, 45. interact, 46. adversary, 47. rival, 48. persevere

49. on____ot deal *adj.* made or happening only once; done or achieved in a single attempt or action
50. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
51. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
52. co_____te environment *adj.* of or relating to a large company
53. ar___e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
54. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
55. an aw_____d date *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
56. suffer st___e *n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
57. a st___e of the putter *n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

ANSWERS: 49. one-shot, 50. debate, 51. construct, 52. corporate, 53. argue, 54. decision, 55. awkward, 56. stroke, 57. stroke

58. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
59. attract br__d attention *adj.* very wide; general
60. details of his pr_____al *n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
61. an___r weight *n.* a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability
62. ide_____al divide *adj.* relating to or concerned with ideas and theories rather than practical matters
63. emotional ca_____ny *n.* a harsh, discordant mixture of sounds; a jarring or unpleasant noise or combination of sounds
64. de___y attorney general *n.* a person who is appointed as the substitute of another and given the power to do something instead of another
65. el__t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
66. the te_____ue applied to construction *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
67. an act of ho_____ty *n.* aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior
68. Platonic di_____ues *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
69. pe_____de enough people *v.* to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion

ANSWERS: 58. opposition, 59. broad, 60. proposal, 61. anchor, 62. ideological, 63. cacophony, 64. deputy, 65. elect, 66. technique, 67. hostility, 68. dialogue, 69. persuade

70. con_____on for murder *n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
71. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
72. boundless cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
73. pro_____on of disease *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
74. a bird in a c__e *n.* a structure made of metal bars or wire in which birds or animals can be kept
75. witty p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
76. va_____t types of pigeon *n.* something that is slightly different from others of the same type
77. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
78. the form of a di_____ue *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
79. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
80. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

ANSWERS: 70. conviction, 71. decision, 72. curiosity, 73. progression, 74. cage, 75. pun, 76. variant, 77. relation, 78. dialogue, 79. responsible, 80. government

81. political ad_____ry *n.* a person, group, or force that opposes or fights against another; an enemy or opponent
82. a three-party co_____on *n.* a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body
83. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
84. a pre-election p__l *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
85. cou_____rt agreement *n.* a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
86. moral con_____on *n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
87. a first of_____e *n.* an illegal act; a feeling of anger caused by a perceived insult to or disregard for oneself; the action of attacking an enemy
88. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

ANSWERS: 81. adversary, 82. coalition, 83. opposition, 84. poll, 85. counterpart, 86. conviction, 87. offense, 88. platform

89. become pol_____ly savvy *adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation
90. a ra_____l flaw in the plan *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
91. nu_____t of truth *n.* a small piece of gold or other precious metal or mineral found ready-formed in the earth; a small round piece of some food
92. pe_____re through hardships *v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement
93. a te_____ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
94. di_____ee about a particular issue *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
95. ine_____le changes of the seasons *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
96. the rem_____le breadth of knowledge *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
97. te_____ng offer *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
98. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 89. politically, 90. radical, 91. nugget, 92. persevere, 93. technique, 94. disagree, 95. inevitable, 96. remarkable, 97. tempting, 98. develop

99. sp____ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
100. a corrupt pol_____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
101. harsh cr_____sm *n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure
102. gr__e the left shoulder *v.* to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping
103. biomass f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
104. co_____te right *adj.* of or relating to a large company
105. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
106. a de___y governor *n.* a person who is appointed as the substitute of another and given the power to do something instead of another
107. in_____t a cave *v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
108. ca__e television *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

ANSWERS: 99. specific, 100. politician, 101. criticism, 102. graze, 103. fuel, 104. corporate, 105. magic, 106. deputy, 107. inhabit, 108. cable

109. presidential el_____r	<i>n.</i>	a person who has the right to vote in an election
110. in_____ct directly with customers	<i>v.</i>	to communicate or react with somebody
111. the ar_____nt against capital punishment	<i>n.</i>	a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
112. fi__d for chocolate	<i>n.</i>	an evil or wicked person or supernatural being; someone who is excessively devoted or addicted to something
113. f__e abroad	<i>v.</i>	to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
114. pr_____le in business	<i>n.</i>	a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
115. ca_____ny of sound	<i>n.</i>	a harsh, discordant mixture of sounds; a jarring or unpleasant noise or combination of sounds
116. ar__e a case	<i>v.</i>	to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
117. pr_____le of treatment	<i>n.</i>	a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
118. industry-sp_____ic regulations	<i>adj.</i>	clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
119. company in_____r	<i>n.</i>	a person who has privileged access to special or secret information about a particular organization or field

ANSWERS: 109. elector, 110. interact, 111. argument, 112. fiend, 113. flee, 114. principle, 115. cacophony, 116. argue, 117. principle, 118. specific, 119. insider

120. coaxial ca__e *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
121. na_____te through a document *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
122. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
123. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
124. a brushwood fe__e *n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property
125. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
126. on_____ot vaccine *adj.* made or happening only once; done or achieved in a single attempt or action
127. a gold nu____t *n.* a small piece of gold or other precious metal or mineral found ready-formed in the earth; a small round piece of some food

ANSWERS: 120. cable, 121. navigate, 122. conversation, 123. develop, 124. fence, 125. conversation, 126. one-shot, 127. nugget

128. a prodigious vi___n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
129. 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
130. un_____r a potential problem *v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
131. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
132. cha_____hip flag *n.* a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support
133. in_____t the stomach *v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
134. continue he_____ng into a risky business *adv.* with great speed or force; in a rush, or without caution
135. Mi_____er for Education *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
136. ine_____le result *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
137. ind_____us crop *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
138. rem_____le achievement *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
139. fitness fi__d *n.* an evil or wicked person or supernatural being; someone who is excessively devoted or addicted to something

ANSWERS: 128. vision, 129. discuss, 130. uncover, 131. government, 132. championship, 133. inhabit, 134. headlong, 135. minister, 136. inevitable, 137. indigenous, 138. remarkable, 139. fiend

140. z_p code *n.* a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently
141. co_____nt a global warming *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
142. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
143. ne_____te the price of the house *v.* to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement
144. bo__y area *adj.* containing a lot of soft, wet soil; marshy, swampy, or waterlogged
145. qualified for an el_____r *n.* a person who has the right to vote in an election
146. ide_____al differences *adj.* relating to or concerned with ideas and theories rather than practical matters
147. daytime n_p *n.* a short sleep, especially during the day
148. the pra_____ity of the solution *n.* the quality of being practical or useful in real-life circumstances; the ability to make responsible decisions based on practical considerations rather than abstract or theoretical ones
149. ne_____te a settlement *v.* to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement

ANSWERS: 140. zip, 141. confront, 142. psychology, 143. negotiate, 144. boggy, 145. elector, 146. ideological, 147. nap, 148. practicality, 149. negotiate

150. ina_____tly omitted *adv.* unintentionally; accidentally; without purpose or deliberate intent
151. in_____r trading *n.* a person who has privileged access to special or secret information about a particular organization or field
152. under li_____l conditions *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
153. unwavering per_____nce *n.* steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success
154. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
155. ro_____t fuel *n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very first by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
156. z_p file *n.* a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently
157. foreign po_____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 150. inadvertently, 151. insider, 152. liberal, 153. perseverance, 154. psychology, 155. rocket, 156. zip, 157. policy

158. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
159. bitter f_e *n.* an enemy or opponent; someone or something that is opposed to or in conflict with another
160. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
161. an ope_____ed person *adj.* willing to listen to or consider new or different ideas
162. deputy prime mi_____er *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
163. a li_____l arts college *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
164. pr___e number *adj.* main or most important; basic
165. eloquently art_____te *v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
166. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
167. di___e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
168. internal mem_____um *n.* a written message or communication that serves as a reminder or to convey information or instructions to someone, often used in a business or official context
169. take a n_p *n.* a short sleep, especially during the day

ANSWERS: 158. opportune, 159. foe, 160. divide, 161. open-minded, 162. minister, 163. liberal, 164. prime, 165. articulate, 166. possibility, 167. divide, 168. memorandum, 169. nap

170. art_____te his position *v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
171. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
172. cr_____sm from the public *n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure
173. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
174. it is un_____ly that he would win the game *adj.* not probable or likely to happen
175. ad__t as needed *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
176. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
177. ro___t attack against the enemy *n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
178. cor_____on assets *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
179. mainstream wo_____ew *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world

ANSWERS: 170. articulate, 171. interaction, 172. criticism, 173. construct, 174. unlikely, 175. adapt, 176. relation, 177. rocket, 178. corporation, 179. worldview

180. bitter ho_____ty *n.* aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior
181. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
182. telescopic vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
183. office se__p *n.* the arrangement or organization of something, often with a specific purpose or intention; a scheme or plan that is intended to deceive or trick someone
184. a br__d mind *adj.* very wide; general
185. execution by burning at a st__e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
186. a con_____ive society *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
187. unb_____ble differences *adj.* unable to be crossed or bridged; impossible to reconcile or overcome
188. bo__y land *adj.* containing a lot of soft, wet soil; marshy, swampy, or waterlogged
189. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
190. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

ANSWERS: 180. hostility, 181. perspective, 182. vision, 183. setup, 184. broad, 185. stake, 186. conservative, 187. unbridgeable, 188. boggy, 189. perspective, 190. interaction

191. an aw____d expression *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
192. a public cor____on *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
193. fall he____ng *adv.* with great speed or force; in a rush, or without caution
194. minor traffic of____es *n.* an illegal act; a feeling of anger caused by a perceived insult to or disregard for oneself; the action of attacking an enemy
195. satisfy my intellectual cu____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
196. pos____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
197. pol____ly advantageous *adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation
198. buy the company's st__e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
199. pro____on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
200. adopt an ope____ed attitude *adj.* willing to listen to or consider new or different ideas
201. an insect c__e *n.* a structure made of metal bars or wire in which birds or animals can be kept
202. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

ANSWERS: 191. awkward, 192. corporation, 193. headlong, 194. offense, 195. curiosity, 196. possibility, 197. politically, 198. stake, 199. progression, 200. open-minded, 201. cage, 202. magic

203. na_____ly regenerated forest *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
204. en_____er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
205. a cl__h between the two task forces *n.* a fight or argument between two groups of people; a loud noise caused by striking against something
206. na_____ly arising *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
207. dogged per_____nce *n.* steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success
208. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
209. ad__t fully to the environment *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
210. di_____ee with a plan *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
211. a world cha_____hip *n.* a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support
212. na_____te the Pacific *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

ANSWERS: 203. naturally, 204. encounter, 205. clash, 206. naturally, 207. perseverance, 208. debate, 209. adapt, 210. disagree, 211. championship, 212. navigate

213. in____ng scent *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
214. a va____t of the same word *n.* something that is slightly different from others of the same type
215. sound very te____ng *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
216. ins____ely grabbed the knife *adv.* as a matter of nature or intuition rather than thought or training
217. ina____tly deleted *adv.* unintentionally; accidentally; without purpose or deliberate intent
218. unb____ble gap *adj.* unable to be crossed or bridged; impossible to reconcile or overcome
219. re__t against his way of thinking *v.* to take action in response to something
220. attempt to pe____de *v.* to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion
221. network se__p *n.* the arrangement or organization of something, often with a specific purpose or intention; a scheme or plan that is intended to deceive or trick someone
222. op____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
223. un____ly event *adj.* not probable or likely to happen

ANSWERS: 213. inviting, 214. variant, 215. tempting, 216. instinctively, 217. inadvertently, 218. unbridgeable, 219. react, 220. persuade, 221. setup, 222. opportune, 223. unlikely

224. el__t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
225. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
226. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
227. public opinion p__ls *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
228. mem_____um of understanding *n.* a written message or communication that serves as a reminder or to convey information or instructions to someone, often used in a business or official context

ANSWERS: 224. elect, 225. responsible, 226. violent, 227. poll, 228. memorandum

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ plants need to be pollinated by local insects.
adj. someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
2. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.
n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
3. It took a few weeks to extract the _____ of information from those complicated sources.
n. a small piece of gold or other precious metal or mineral found ready-formed in the earth; a small round piece of some food
4. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.
n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
5. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.
v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
6. He interfered with his _____ in various ways during the campaign.
n. a person, company, or thing competing with others for the same thing or in the same area
7. She left the decision to her _____.
n. a person who is appointed as the substitute of another and given the power to do something instead of another

ANSWERS: 1. indigenous, 2. principle, 3. nugget, 4. interaction, 5. argue, 6. rivals, 7. deputy

8. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.
- n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
9. The comedian's ____ had the audience laughing out loud.
- n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
10. The _____ of the company is too high nowadays.
- n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
11. How did he _____ to your idea?
- v.* to take action in response to something
12. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
- v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
13. The construction next door has created a constant _____ of drilling and hammering.
- n.* a harsh, discordant mixture of sounds; a jarring or unpleasant noise or combination of sounds
14. I have no idea what sort of folks _____ the neighborhood.
- v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
15. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?
- v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

ANSWERS: 8. magic, 9. pun, 10. stake, 11. react, 12. constructs, 13. cacophony, 14. inhabit, 15. divide

16. The _____ cast their vote for the candidate they believed in.
n. a person who has the right to vote in an election
17. The cultural divide between the two communities was _____ and led to constant conflict.
adj. unable to be crossed or bridged; impossible to reconcile or overcome
18. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
19. She had a master's degree in _____.
n. the scientific study of mind and behavior
20. I advised him to _____ to his new surroundings.
v. to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
21. The passage of the bill is _____.
adj. not probable or likely to happen
22. Our CEO's _____ are always transparent and straightforward.
n. something you want to do and are going to do
23. Our skeleton outline of the _____ met with much opposition.
n. a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
24. His _____ in the other company is responsible for marketing.
n. a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing

ANSWERS: 16. elector, 17. unbridgeable, 18. conversation, 19. psychology, 20. adapt, 21. unlikely, 22. intentions, 23. proposal, 24. counterpart

25. The _____ lost his position in the end due to the scandal.
- n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
26. The ship dropped _____ in the bay.
- n.* a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability
27. The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing _____.
- n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
28. This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat _____ cases.
- n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
29. Constructive _____ is always helpful to help improving one's work.
- n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure
30. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.
- n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
31. 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

ANSWERS: 25. politician, 26. anchor, 27. worldviews, 28. stroke, 29. criticism, 30. debate, 31. relations

32. The trail through the forest was so _____ that our shoes became soaked.
adj. containing a lot of soft, wet soil; marshy, swampy, or waterlogged
33. The company chose a more expensive option to prioritize _____ over aesthetics.
n. the quality of being practical or useful in real-life circumstances; the ability to make responsible decisions based on practical considerations rather than abstract or theoretical ones
34. 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
35. Her dress was a disturbing _____ of colors.
n. a fight or argument between two groups of people; a loud noise caused by striking against something
36. The _____ in the horror movie gave me nightmares for weeks.
n. an evil or wicked person or supernatural being; someone who is excessively devoted or addicted to something
37. The company's new _____ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.
n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
38. He always makes a _____ estimation when predicting future sales.
adj. holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

ANSWERS: 32. boggy, 33. practicality, 34. responsible, 35. clash, 36. fiend, 37. policy, 38. conservative

39. We are motivated by _____ rather than necessity.

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

40. The trapped bear is running amok in its _____.

n. a structure made of metal bars or wire in which birds or animals can be kept

41. He stumbled _____ down the stairs, tumbling to the bottom.

adv. with great speed or force; in a rush, or without caution

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

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

43. He was _____ gifted.

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

44. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

45. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

46. He continued his investigation and soon _____ another crime.

v. to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden

47. Four companies were amalgamated into a single _____.

n. a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

ANSWERS: 39. curiosity, 40. cage, 41. headlong, 42. perspective, 43. naturally, 44. violent, 45. possibility, 46. uncovered, 47. corporation

48. This system uses submarine _____ to exchange information between continents.
- n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
49. His team won the _____ for three years running.
- n.* a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support
50. This newspaper is supposed to be _____ neutral.
- adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation
51. Both parties were pleased with the _____ discussion.
- adj.* willing to listen to or consider new or different ideas
52. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.
- n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
53. Jockey's superior _____ brought him victory.
- n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
54. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
- n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
55. She planted a hedge to serve as a natural _____ around her garden.
- n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property

ANSWERS: 48. cables, 49. championship, 50. politically, 51. open-minded, 52. platform, 53. technique, 54. decision, 55. fence

56. He should _____ more with his colleagues.

v. to communicate or react with somebody

57. Her unconcealed _____ made us unpleasant.

n. aggressive or unfriendly feelings or behavior

58. He is _____ in his thoughts.

adj. willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior;
open-minded

59. The _____ between the two countries was a delicate and complex process.

n. the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

60. The _____ launch platform is visible from this hill.

n. a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon

61. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

62. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

63. We are optimistic about our final _____.

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

ANSWERS: 56. interact, 57. hostility, 58. liberal, 59. negotiation, 60. rocket, 61. specific, 62. vision, 63. victory

64. The two largest opposition parties announced they would form a _____ in the next elections.
- n.* a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body
65. She woke the kids up from their ____.
- n.* a short sleep, especially during the day
66. We are always happy to _____ a discount.
- v.* to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement
67. The boxer's toughest _____ was his fear of losing.
- n.* a person, group, or force that opposes or fights against another; an enemy or opponent
68. Some researchers claim that even humans can _____ sense earthquakes.
- adv.* as a matter of nature or intuition rather than thought or training
69. Several _____ show a decline in the president's approval rating.
- n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
70. I love to _____ in nature and feel its calming effects on me.
- v.* to live or reside in a particular place; to think, speak, or write at length on a particular subject; to linger or remain as if unwilling to leave
71. Parental indifference to their children leads to juvenile _____.
- n.* an illegal act; a feeling of anger caused by a perceived insult to or disregard for oneself; the action of attacking an enemy

ANSWERS: 64. coalition, 65. nap, 66. negotiate, 67. adversary, 68. instinctively, 69. polls, 70. dwell, 71. offenses

72. The ____ scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector
- n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
73. She put her phone in the ____ pocket of her backpack.
- n.* a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently
74. She spoke with _____ about the importance of education.
- n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
75. He recorded the _____ at the time of the incident.
- n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
76. I _____ left my phone at home this morning and felt lost.
- adv.* unintentionally; accidentally; without purpose or deliberate intent
77. She was able to _____ her argument in the debate clearly.
- v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
78. 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
79. 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

ANSWERS: 72. fuel, 73. zip, 74. conviction, 75. dialogue, 76. inadvertently, 77. articulate, 78. encounter, 79. discuss

80. The _____ occasionally preaches at this church.

n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

81. The basketball player took a _____ opportunity and made the winning shot.

adj. made or happening only once; done or achieved in a single attempt or action

82. I _____ for reasons already stated above.

v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

83. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

84. The election was a _____ success for the Whigs.

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

85. He's a Wall Street _____ with a lot of valuable information.

n. a person who has privileged access to special or secret information about a particular organization or field

86. The sheep _____ on the green grass in the meadow.

v. to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping

87. The superhero's arch-_____ was an evil mastermind who always got away.

n. an enemy or opponent; someone or something that is opposed to or in conflict with another

88. The first _____ of the virus appeared in less than a month.

n. something that is slightly different from others of the same type

ANSWERS: 80. minister, 81. one-shot, 82. disagree, 83. Communal, 84. remarkable, 85. insider, 86. graze, 87. foe, 88. variant

89. The _____ aroma of freshly baked bread drew me into the bakery.
adj. having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
90. In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is _____.
adj. certain to happen and unavoidable
91. The company has made great strides in its _____ toward sustainability.
n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
92. The _____ design of the interface made the operation difficult.
adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
93. It is an incredible _____ to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.
n. a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
94. The government established by the coup was more _____ than before.
adj. relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
95. Even when faced with challenges, it's important to _____ and never give up.
v. to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement
96. She tried to _____ her brother to join her on the trip, but he was too busy with work.
v. to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion

ANSWERS: 89. inviting, 90. inevitable, 91. progression, 92. awkward, 93. feat, 94. radical, 95. persevere, 96. persuade

97. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

98. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

99. The chocolate cake was too _____ for me to resist.

adj. likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

100. He finally decided to _____ problems directly.

v. to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person

101. After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the _____ suspect.

adj. main or most important; basic

102. He accumulated wealth across a _____ spectrum of assets.

adj. very wide; general

103. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

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

104. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

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

ANSWERS: 97. opportune, 98. argument, 99. tempting, 100. confront, 101. prime, 102. broad, 103. government, 104. develop

105. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
106. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.
v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
107. The boss sent us a _____ outlining the new company policy on remote work.
n. a written message or communication that serves as a reminder or to convey information or instructions to someone, often used in a business or official context
108. Despite facing numerous setbacks and obstacles, his _____ and determination led him to success.
n. steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success
109. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.
adj. indispensable; fundamental
110. The _____ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.
adj. of or relating to a large company
111. The _____ for the conference was impressive and professional.
n. the arrangement or organization of something, often with a specific purpose or intention; a scheme or plan that is intended to deceive or trick someone
112. Our knowledge helps _____ our clients successfully.
v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

ANSWERS: 105. opposition, 106. flee, 107. memorandum, 108. perseverance, 109. essential, 110. corporate, 111. setup, 112. navigate

113. The book presents an _____ perspective on the role of government in society.

adj. relating to or concerned with ideas and theories rather than practical matters

114. Every five years, the provincial governors are _____.

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

ANSWERS: 113. ideological, 114. elected