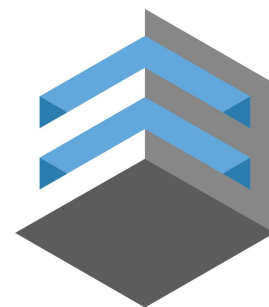


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Session 1: Word List

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**.

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.

outcome

n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

synonym: result, consequence, effect

(1) improved student **outcomes**, (2) a desirable **outcome**

They awaited news of the **outcome** of the election.

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.

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.

rely

v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

synonym: depend, count, lean

(1) **rely** on convenience stores, (2) **rely** entirely on him

Babies heavily **rely** on others for food.

renewable

adj. capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced

synonym: sustainable, replaceable

(1) **renewable** energy, (2) **renewable** subscriptions

The production of **renewable** fuels requires massive volumes of fresh water.

nominee

n. a person who is proposed as a candidate or contender for a position, award, or honor

synonym: candidate, contender, applicant

(1) oscar **nominee**, (2) presidential **nominee**

The **nominee** for the upcoming election vows to make positive changes in their community.

champion

n. someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief

synonym: victor, winner, fighter

(1) a **champion** of peace, (2) the grand **champion**

The **champion** bicyclist outrode all his competitors.

quo *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
synonym: status, condition, state
(1) status **quo** politician, (2) **quo** warrant
The company has been successful in maintaining the status **quo**.

staunch *adj.* firmly loyal and devoted, unyielding or resolute
synonym: strong, loyal, firm
(1) **staunch** conviction, (2) **staunch** opponent
She was a **staunch** supporter of the cause, always willing to speak out for her beliefs.

oppose *v.* to be against or in conflict with something or someone; to resist or to try to prevent something from happening
synonym: match, resist, confront
(1) **oppose** a decision, (2) publicly **oppose**
I strongly **oppose** the new proposed law that would harm our environment.

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**.

tactics *n.* the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports
synonym: strategy, maneuvers, plan
(1) blitz **tactics**, (2) political **tactics**
The marketing team developed new **tactics** to boost sales.

municipal *adj.* of or relating to a municipality, which is a small administrative division within a larger city or town

synonym: civic, city, urban

(1) **municipal** bond, (2) the **municipal** authorities

The **municipal** government is responsible for maintaining the roads and public transportation in the city.

cybersecurity

n. the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction

synonym: information security, cyber protection

(1) **cybersecurity** threat, (2) **cybersecurity** measures

As the use of technology continues to increase in everyday life, **cybersecurity** awareness and education become even more important

alert

v. to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action

synonym: warn, inform, (adjective) vigilant

(1) **alert** consumers to the dangers, (2) **alert** system

The company's cybersecurity team **alerted** the CEO to potential threats.

suspect

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

synonym: assume, distrust, surmise

(1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick

The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

inoculate

v. to introduce a vaccine into the body to produce immunity to a specific disease

synonym: vaccinate, immunize, protect

(1) **inoculate** against disease, (2) **inoculate** with a virus

The doctor **inoculated** the child with a vaccine.

tackle

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation

synonym: deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change
The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

disinformation

n. false or misleading information that is spread deliberately, usually with the intent to deceive or manipulate public opinion

synonym: misinformation, propaganda, falsehood

(1) **disinformation** campaign, (2) **disinformation** warfare
The government is being criticized for spreading **disinformation** about the pandemic.

encourage

v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

synonym: facilitate, persuade, stimulate

(1) **encourage** a sense of affinity, (2) **encourage** antisocial behavior
They **encouraged** customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym: approach, procedure, scenario

(1) military **strategy**, (2) develop a **strategy**
Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

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.

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym: behave, lead, carry on

(1) **conduct** a background check, (2) **conduct** research
Police will **conduct** random breath testing for drunk driving.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

perception

n. a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

synonym: understanding, idea, awareness

(1) keen **perception**, (2) **perception** of a stimulus

He is a man admired for the depth of his **perception**.

reliability

n. the quality of being able to be trusted or believed in doing what someone desires or requires

synonym: dependability, trustability, solidness

(1) improve **reliability**, (2) **reliability** test

The incident threw questions on her motivations and **reliability**.

employ

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

synonym: hire, engage, use

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

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

launch

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

synonym: start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

evocative

adj. tending to evoke or bring something to mind

synonym: suggestive, stimulating, provocative

(1) **evocative** memories, (2) **evocative** language

The music was **evocative** of a bygone era.

convincing

adj. able to make someone believe that something is true

synonym: clear, compelling, believable

(1) a **convincing** victory, (2) **convincing** biochemical explanation

I found her assertion pretty **convincing**.

confusion

n. the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty

synonym: disorder, disarray, chaos

(1) administrative **confusion**, (2) in great **confusion**

The sudden policy change has caused **confusion** among employees.

advantage

n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

synonym: benefit, edge, asset

(1) score an **advantage**, (2) take **advantage** of his weak points

One of the main **advantages** of the new product is its increased efficiency.

confirmation

n. a statement, often written, that shows that something is true, correct, or definite

synonym: validation, verification, affirmation

(1) **confirmation** of purchase, (2) **confirmation** bias

The **confirmation** of his appointment as CEO was met with mixed reactions.

bias

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

synonym : inclination, partiality, predilection

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

She researched gender **bias** in politics.

inclined

adj. having a tendency or preference for something; likely or disposed to think, feel, or behave in a certain way

synonym : disposed, prone, likely

(1) **inclined** to think, (2) **inclined** angle

I am **inclined** to believe that she is telling the truth.

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**.

voter

n. a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election

synonym : elector, citizen

(1) an eligible **voter**, (2) **voter** apathy

The election administration nullified the election results because of **voter** fraud.

transit

n. the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation

synonym : transportation, passage, transfer

(1) a **transit** visa, (2) mass **transit**

Public **transit** is an essential service for many cities.

sympathize

v. to express or feel compassion or understanding for someone else's pain, difficulty, or misfortune; to share in someone else's emotions or experiences

synonym : empathize, understand, commiserate

(1) **sympathize** with a tragic hero, (2) **sympathize** with their situation

I **sympathize** with your struggles and am here to support you through them.

suppress

v. to bring something under control by force or authority; to put an end by force

synonym: subdue, bury, stifle

(1) **suppress** a yawn, (2) **suppress** a revolt

The doctor prescribed medication to **suppress** the patient's appetite.

fake

adj. not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

synonym: affected, bogus, counterfeit

(1) **fake** police officer, (2) spread of **fake** news

The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and **faked** it

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.

impersonate

v. to pretend to be someone else, often with the intent to deceive or defraud; to imitate the mannerisms or speech of another person as a form of tribute or satire

synonym: imitate, mimic, copy

(1) **impersonate** a government official, (2) **impersonate** a character

The comedian is famous for his ability to **impersonate** famous politicians.

engaging

adj. attracting, pleasant, or charming

synonym: alluring, interesting, engrossing

(1) **engaging** story, (2) an **engaging** smile
She was disbarred for her **engaging** in fraud.

visual

adj. relating to seeing or sight

synonym: optical, graphical, visible

(1) **visual** navigation, (2) field of **visual** arts
The building makes a remarkable **visual** impact.

meme

n. a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online

synonym: buzzword, trend

(1) pronounce **meme**, (2) religious **meme**
This cute dog's photo spread around the world as an Internet **meme**.

relate

v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

synonym: connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message
He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

imminent

adj. coming or likely to happen very soon

synonym: looming, coming, impending

(1) **imminent** danger, (2) **imminent** arrest
This country was long faced with **imminent** peril.

manipulate

v. to influence or control something or someone to your advantage, often in an unfair or dishonest way

synonym: control, exploit, abuse

(1) **manipulate** figures, (2) vulnerable to **manipulate**

Please tell me how to **manipulate** this computer.

app *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
synonym: application, software
(1) killer **app**, (2) cannot log in to the **app**
The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the **app's** release.

viable *adj.* capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
synonym: feasible, possible, attainable
(1) achieve a **viable** relationship, (2) develop a **viable** therapy
Male gorillas with good drumming skills are more **viable**.

claim *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
synonym: assert, declare, maintain
(1) **claim** responsibility, (2) false **claim**
He wants to **claim** ownership of the abandoned property.

far-fetched *adj.* (of an idea or story) so exaggerated or ludicrous as to be very difficult to believe
synonym: bizarre, doubtful, unbelievable
(1) **far-fetched** idea, (2) **far-fetched** expressions
Though his plan sounded **far-fetched** at first, he realized it anyway.

encrypt *v.* to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons
synonym: encode, cipher, scramble
(1) **encrypt** data, (2) **encrypt** message

To protect their sensitive information, many businesses **encrypt** their files.

digital

adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

synonym: numerical, computerized, cyber

(1) a **digital** watch, (2) **digital** electronic signature

Sensors convert physical phenomena into **digital** signals.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

ballot

n. a piece of paper used to cast a vote in an election

synonym: vote, poll, election

(1) the final **ballot**, (2) **ballot** booth

The **ballot** for the upcoming election will be sent out to registered voters next week.

emotion

n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

synonym: feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**

Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

vilify

v. to speak or write about someone or something in a way that is likely to make people have a very low opinion of them

synonym: defame, slander, malign

(1) **vilify** the press, (2) publicly **vilify**

The media has been **vilifying** the politician for his controversial statements.

appealing

adj. attractive or exciting; evoking a positive response or desire; having qualities that are likely to encourage someone to like or enjoy something

synonym: attractive, alluring, captivating

(1) **appealing** design, (2) an **appealing** offer

The well-crafted plot and interesting characters made the book very **appealing** to readers

tap

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

synonym: knock, exploit, use

(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger
To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.

civic

adj. of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it

synonym: community, civic, communal

(1) **civic** activity, (2) **civic** center

The city promotes **civic** collaboration in community development

circulate

v. to move continuously or freely around a place or closed system

synonym: flow, disperse, rotate

(1) **circulate** a rumor, (2) **circulate** an agenda before the meeting

The fan **circulates** the air in the room quickly.

accusation

n. a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone

synonym: charge, indictment, imputation

(1) criminal **accusation**, (2) false **accusation**

The **accusation** of theft was unfounded, and the suspect was

eventually cleared of all charges.

corruptible

adj. capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral

synonym: bribable, dishonest, venal

(1) **corruptible** officials, (2) **corruptible** judges

Bureaucracies are more **corruptible** than other systems or organizations.

facility

n. a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

synonym: building, structure, installation

(1) a cell phone with an internet **facility**, (2) **facility** design

This company has an entire recycling **facility**, including major reprocessing plants.

abuse

n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

synonym: misuse, misconduct, vilification

(1) the problem of drug **abuse**, (2) victim of sexual **abuse**

Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for **abuse** of authority.

stray

v. to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be

synonym: deviate, err, depart

(1) **stray** beyond the confines, (2) **stray** from a rule

Tourists often get lost and **stray** into a restricted area.

kitten

n. a young cat

synonym: catling, kitling, puss

(1) **kitten** formula, (2) newborn **kitten**

The **kitten's** fur was so fluffy that it looked like it was always moving.

inflammation

n. a physical condition in which a part of the body becomes red, painful, hot, and often swollen, especially as a reaction to infection or injury

synonym: rash, hives, irritation

(1) reduce **inflammation** and pain, (2) **inflammation** of the lungs

The medicine soothes the pain of chronic **inflammation**.

integrity

n. the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

synonym: honesty, honor, morality

(1) a person of **integrity**, (2) **integrity** of data

The company's reputation for honesty and **integrity** is highly valued among its customers.

conspiracy

n. a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something harmful or illegal

synonym: plot, collaboration, scheme

(1) political **conspiracy**, (2) **conspiracy** theory

There was a **conspiracy** of silence about illegal police interrogation.

introductory

adj. intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point

synonym: beginning, preliminary, initial

(1) **introductory** biology text, (2) product **introductory** sale

The **introductory** class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.

stick

v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

synonym: pierce, adhere, stay

(1) **stick** a key in a lock, (2) fire **stick**

You **stick** a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

fin

n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

synonym: flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

coverage

n. the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides

synonym: reportage, scope, range

(1) full- **coverage** insurance, (2) contractual **coverage**

The scandal received widespread media **coverage**.

perceive

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

synonym: sense, discern, feel

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

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

legitimacy

n. the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason

synonym: legality, lawfulness, authenticity

(1) democratic **legitimacy**, (2) challenge the **legitimacy**

I'm going to deny the **legitimacy** of his claim.

journalist

n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

synonym: reporter, newsperson, press

(1) a China-based **journalist**, (2) **journalist** on a magazine

Foreign TV crews and **journalists** can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

rumor

n. a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth

synonym: gossip, whisper, talk

(1) a false **rumor**, (2) **rumor** mill

There was a baseless **rumor** that the company was going bankrupt.

debunk

v. to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless

synonym: expose, discredit, demystify

(1) **debunk** an urban legend, (2) **debunk** theory

The myth was **debunked** by scientists, who provided evidence to the contrary.

warp

v. to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something

synonym: twist, distort, deform

(1) **warp** under pressure, (2) become **warped**

The ship's hull was **warped** from years of use in rough seas.

pit

n. a hole in the ground or a cavity in a surface; a place for storing or holding something; a section of a theater or sports arena where people can sit

synonym: hole, depression, indentation

(1) the bottomless **pit**, (2) the **pit** of the stomach

The **pit** of the avocado can be removed by gently wedging a spoon around it.

exploit

v. to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc.

synonym: use, abuse, control

(1) **exploit** a security hole, (2) **exploit** a valuable opportunity

We **exploit** our mining resources to strengthen our national power.

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.

equip

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

synonym: prepare, furnish, provide

(1) **equip** an army, (2) **equip** our children with some special skills

The construction company **equipped** the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

insight

n. the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

synonym: wisdom, discernment, understanding

(1) a profound **insight**, (2) share my **insights**

We gained various **insights** by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

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.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. co____al combination of funds | <i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use |
| 2. administrative co_____on | <i>n.</i> the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty |
| 3. ind_____al freedom | <i>n.</i> a single person or thing, as distinct from a group |
| 4. par_____te fully in conversation | <i>v.</i> to take part in something |
| 5. spread of f__e news | <i>adj.</i> not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit |
| 6. ta___e the issue | <i>v.</i> to try to deal with a complex problem or situation |
| 7. dis_____ion campaign | <i>n.</i> false or misleading information that is spread deliberately, usually with the intent to deceive or manipulate public opinion |
| 8. ci__c center | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it |
| 9. challenge the leg_____cy | <i>n.</i> the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason |
| 10. rel_____ty test | <i>n.</i> the quality of being able to be trusted or believed in doing what someone desires or requires |
| 11. a private ind_____al | <i>n.</i> a single person or thing, as distinct from a group |

ANSWERS: 1. communal, 2. confusion, 3. individual, 4. participate, 5. fake, 6. tackle, 7. disinformation, 8. civic, 9. legitimacy, 10. reliability, 11. individual

12. su____t that he is sick	<i>v.</i> to consider anything to be actual or probable
13. su____t a plot	<i>v.</i> to consider anything to be actual or probable
14. become w__ped	<i>v.</i> to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something
15. de___e a question	<i>v.</i> to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
16. publicly vi___y	<i>v.</i> to speak or write about someone or something in a way that is likely to make people have a very low opinion of them
17. improved student ou____es	<i>n.</i> the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
18. improve rel______ty	<i>n.</i> the quality of being able to be trusted or believed in doing what someone desires or requires
19. re___e a message	<i>v.</i> to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
20. mainstream wo____ew	<i>n.</i> a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
21. a f_n of a plane	<i>n.</i> a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

ANSWERS: 12. suspect, 13. suspect, 14. warp, 15. decide, 16. vilify, 17. outcome, 18. reliability, 19. relate, 20. worldview, 21. fin

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| 22. w__p under pressure | <i>v.</i> to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something |
| 23. con_____cy theory | <i>n.</i> a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something harmful or illegal |
| 24. fa_____ty design | <i>n.</i> a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry |
| 25. di_____l electronic signature | <i>adj.</i> processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet |
| 26. a desirable ou_____e | <i>n.</i> the result or effect of an action, event, etc. |
| 27. political con_____cy | <i>n.</i> a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something harmful or illegal |
| 28. an arrival pl_____rm | <i>n.</i> 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 |
| 29. in_____ve eating | <i>adj.</i> obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof |
| 30. the problem of drug ab__e | <i>n.</i> the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner |

ANSWERS: 22. warp, 23. conspiracy, 24. facility, 25. digital, 26. outcome, 27. conspiracy, 28. platform, 29. intuitive, 30. abuse

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| 31. the bottomless p_t | <i>n.</i> a hole in the ground or a cavity in a surface; a place for storing or holding something; a section of a theater or sports arena where people can sit |
| 32. al__t consumers to the dangers | <i>v.</i> to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action |
| 33. em___y a new method | <i>v.</i> to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of |
| 34. criminal acc_____on | <i>n.</i> a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone |
| 35. jou_____st on a magazine | <i>n.</i> a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media |
| 36. f__e police officer | <i>adj.</i> not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit |
| 37. ev_____ve memories | <i>adj.</i> tending to evoke or bring something to mind |
| 38. st__y from a rule | <i>v.</i> to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be |
| 39. cl__m responsibility | <i>v.</i> to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true |

ANSWERS: 31. pit, 32. alert, 33. employ, 34. accusation, 35. journalist, 36. fake, 37. evocative, 38. stray, 39. claim

40. an____ce candidacy	<i>v.</i> to make something known or officially inform people about something
41. in_____te with a virus	<i>v.</i> to introduce a vaccine into the body to produce immunity to a specific disease
42. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise	<i>n.</i> 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
43. ci_____te an agenda before the meeting	<i>v.</i> to move continuously or freely around a place or closed system
44. reduce inf_____ion and pain	<i>n.</i> a physical condition in which a part of the body becomes red, painful, hot, and often swollen, especially as a reaction to infection or injury
45. far_____ed idea	<i>adj.</i> (of an idea or story) so exaggerated or ludicrous as to be very difficult to believe
46. im_____nt arrest	<i>adj.</i> coming or likely to happen very soon
47. product int_____ory sale	<i>adj.</i> intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
48. in great co_____on	<i>n.</i> the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty
49. pe_____ve light	<i>v.</i> to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
50. share my in_____ts	<i>n.</i> the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

ANSWERS: 40. announce, 41. inoculate, 42. platform, 43. circulate, 44. inflammation, 45. far-fetched, 46. imminent, 47. introductory, 48. confusion, 49. perceive, 50. insight

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| 51. an ap_____ng offer | <i>adj.</i> attractive or exciting; evoking a positive response or desire; having qualities that are likely to encourage someone to like or enjoy something |
| 52. in_____ed angle | <i>adj.</i> having a tendency or preference for something; likely or disposed to think, feel, or behave in a certain way |
| 53. al__t system | <i>v.</i> to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action |
| 54. afraid to show em_____n | <i>n.</i> a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others |
| 55. imp_____te a government official | <i>v.</i> to pretend to be someone else, often with the intent to deceive or defraud; to imitate the mannerisms or speech of another person as a form of tribute or satire |
| 56. mass tr_____t | <i>n.</i> the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation |
| 57. publicly op____e | <i>v.</i> to be against or in conflict with something or someone; to resist or to try to prevent something from happening |
| 58. presidential no_____e | <i>n.</i> a person who is proposed as a candidate or contender for a position, award, or honor |
| 59. en_____t message | <i>v.</i> to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons |

ANSWERS: 51. appealing, 52. inclined, 53. alert, 54. emotion, 55. impersonate, 56. transit, 57. oppose, 58. nominee, 59. encrypt

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| 60. eq__p an army | <i>v.</i> to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity |
| 61. ba___t booth | <i>n.</i> a piece of paper used to cast a vote in an election |
| 62. the p_t of the stomach | <i>n.</i> a hole in the ground or a cavity in a surface; a place for storing or holding something; a section of a theater or sports arena where people can sit |
| 63. false acc_____on | <i>n.</i> a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone |
| 64. in_____ve judgment | <i>adj.</i> obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof |
| 65. cannot log in to the a_p | <i>n.</i> (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC |
| 66. an eligible vo__r | <i>n.</i> a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election |
| 67. far_____ed expressions | <i>adj.</i> (of an idea or story) so exaggerated or ludicrous as to be very difficult to believe |
| 68. keen per_____on | <i>n.</i> a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses |

ANSWERS: 60. equip, 61. ballot, 62. pit, 63. accusation, 64. intuitive, 65. app, 66. voter, 67. far-fetched, 68. perception

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| 69. ev_____ve language | <i>adj.</i> tending to evoke or bring something to mind |
| 70. la___h a big attack | <i>v.</i> to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time |
| 71. op___e a decision | <i>v.</i> to be against or in conflict with something or someone; to resist or to try to prevent something from happening |
| 72. full-co_____ge insurance | <i>n.</i> the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides |
| 73. b__s against a big company | <i>n.</i> a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment |
| 74. against tr_____on | <i>n.</i> a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society |
| 75. oscar no_____e | <i>n.</i> a person who is proposed as a candidate or contender for a position, award, or honor |
| 76. per_____on of a stimulus | <i>n.</i> a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses |

ANSWERS: 69. evocative, 70. launch, 71. oppose, 72. coverage, 73. bias, 74. tradition, 75. nominee, 76. perception

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| 77. the grand ch____on | <i>n.</i> someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief |
| 78. ex____t a security hole | <i>v.</i> to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc. |
| 79. ap_____ng design | <i>adj.</i> attractive or exciting; evoking a positive response or desire; having qualities that are likely to encourage someone to like or enjoy something |
| 80. democratic leg_____cy | <i>n.</i> the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason |
| 81. the wo_____ew of the ancient civilization | <i>n.</i> a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world |
| 82. killer a_p | <i>n.</i> (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC |
| 83. en_____ge antisocial behavior | <i>v.</i> to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do |
| 84. re___e a story | <i>v.</i> to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something |

ANSWERS: 77. champion, 78. exploit, 79. appealing, 80. legitimacy, 81. worldview, 82. app, 83. encourage, 84. relate

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| 85. back f_n | <i>n.</i> a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance |
| 86. victim of sexual ab__e | <i>n.</i> the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner |
| 87. sym_____ze with their situation | <i>v.</i> to express or feel compassion or understanding for someone else's pain, difficulty, or misfortune; to share in someone else's emotions or experiences |
| 88. con_____ion of purchase | <i>n.</i> a statement, often written, that shows that something is true, correct, or definite |
| 89. a circular mo_____nt | <i>n.</i> 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 |
| 90. the mu_____al authorities | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to a municipality, which is a small administrative division within a larger city or town |
| 91. en_____t data | <i>v.</i> to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons |
| 92. en_____ge a sense of affinity | <i>v.</i> to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do |

ANSWERS: 85. fin, 86. abuse, 87. sympathize, 88. confirmation, 89. movement, 90. municipal, 91. encrypt, 92. encourage

93. vi___l navigation	<i>adj.</i> relating to seeing or sight
94. buy the company's st___e	<i>n.</i> a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
95. co_____t a background check	<i>v.</i> to organize and carry out a particular activity
96. re_____le subscriptions	<i>adj.</i> capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
97. imp_____te a character	<i>v.</i> to pretend to be someone else, often with the intent to deceive or defraud; to imitate the mannerisms or speech of another person as a form of tribute or satire
98. take ad_____ge of his weak points	<i>n.</i> a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
99. st_____h conviction	<i>adj.</i> firmly loyal and devoted, unyielding or resolute
100. par_____te in the program	<i>v.</i> to take part in something
101. vi___y the press	<i>v.</i> to speak or write about someone or something in a way that is likely to make people have a very low opinion of them
102. ci_____te a rumor	<i>v.</i> to move continuously or freely around a place or closed system
103. political ta_____s	<i>n.</i> the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports

ANSWERS: 93. visual, 94. stake, 95. conduct, 96. renewable, 97. impersonate, 98. advantage, 99. staunch, 100. participate, 101. vilify, 102. circulate, 103. tactics

104. de___k an urban legend	<i>v.</i> to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless
105. help ta___e climate change	<i>v.</i> to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
106. religious m___e	<i>n.</i> a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online
107. in_____te against disease	<i>v.</i> to introduce a vaccine into the body to produce immunity to a specific disease
108. ru___r mill	<i>n.</i> a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
109. vulnerable to man_____te	<i>v.</i> to influence or control something or someone to your advantage, often in an unfair or dishonest way
110. co_____t research	<i>v.</i> to organize and carry out a particular activity
111. blitz ta_____s	<i>n.</i> the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports
112. a false ru___r	<i>n.</i> a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth

ANSWERS: 104. debunk, 105. tackle, 106. meme, 107. inoculate, 108. rumor, 109. manipulate, 110. conduct, 111. tactics, 112. rumor

113. mo____nt of troops	<i>n.</i> 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
114. st__y beyond the confines	<i>v.</i> to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be
115. su____ss a yawn	<i>v.</i> to bring something under control by force or authority; to put an end by force
116. el__t the school board	<i>v.</i> to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
117. con_____ion bias	<i>n.</i> a statement, often written, that shows that something is true, correct, or definite
118. man_____te figures	<i>v.</i> to influence or control something or someone to your advantage, often in an unfair or dishonest way
119. dis_____ion warfare	<i>n.</i> false or misleading information that is spread deliberately, usually with the intent to deceive or manipulate public opinion
120. pe____ve a threat	<i>v.</i> to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
121. r__y on convenience stores	<i>v.</i> to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

ANSWERS: 113. movement, 114. stray, 115. suppress, 116. elect, 117. confirmation, 118. manipulate, 119. disinformation, 120. perceive, 121. rely

122. q_o warranto	<i>n.</i> the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
123. control my em____n	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
124. em____y job seekers	<i>v.</i> to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
125. vo__r apathy	<i>n.</i> a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election
126. status q_o politician	<i>n.</i> the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
127. military st____gy	<i>n.</i> a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
128. in____ed to think	<i>adj.</i> having a tendency or preference for something; likely or disposed to think, feel, or behave in a certain way
129. a tr____t visa	<i>n.</i> the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation
130. ki____n formula	<i>n.</i> a young cat
131. newborn ki____n	<i>n.</i> a young cat
132. mu____al bond	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to a municipality, which is a small administrative division within a larger city or town
133. in____ty of data	<i>n.</i> the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

ANSWERS: 122. quo, 123. emotion, 124. employ, 125. voter, 126. quo, 127. strategy, 128. inclined, 129. transit, 130. kitten, 131. kitten, 132. municipal, 133. integrity

134. a con_____ng victory	<i>adj.</i> able to make someone believe that something is true
135. cyb_____ity threat	<i>n.</i> the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction
136. re_____le energy	<i>adj.</i> capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
137. de___k theory	<i>v.</i> to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless
138. field of vi___l arts	<i>adj.</i> relating to seeing or sight
139. su_____ss a revolt	<i>v.</i> to bring something under control by force or authority; to put an end by force
140. t_p keyboard with an index finger	<i>v.</i> to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
141. de___e on a course of action	<i>v.</i> to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
142. r___y entirely on him	<i>v.</i> to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
143. a di_____l watch	<i>adj.</i> processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

ANSWERS: 134. convincing, 135. cybersecurity, 136. renewable, 137. debunk, 138. visual, 139. suppress, 140. tap, 141. decide, 142. rely, 143. digital

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| 144. cyb_____ity measures | <i>n.</i> the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction |
| 145. con_____ng biochemical explanation | <i>adj.</i> able to make someone believe that something is true |
| 146. ex_____t a valuable opportunity | <i>v.</i> to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc. |
| 147. co_____al swimming pool | <i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use |
| 148. score an ad_____ge | <i>n.</i> a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has |
| 149. an en_____ng smile | <i>adj.</i> attracting, pleasant, or charming |
| 150. pronounce m__e | <i>n.</i> a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online |
| 151. a person of in_____ty | <i>n.</i> the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided |
| 152. an_____ce the award winners | <i>v.</i> to make something known or officially inform people about something |

ANSWERS: 144. cybersecurity, 145. convincing, 146. exploit, 147. communal, 148. advantage, 149. engaging, 150. meme, 151. integrity, 152. announce

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| 153. a profound in____t | <i>n.</i> the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like |
| 154. eq__p our children with some special skills | <i>v.</i> to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity |
| 155. en____ng story | <i>adj.</i> attracting, pleasant, or charming |
| 156. la____h a spaceship into orbit | <i>v.</i> to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time |
| 157. st__k a key in a lock | <i>v.</i> to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material |
| 158. el__t death | <i>v.</i> to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something |
| 159. int______ory biology text | <i>adj.</i> intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point |
| 160. false cl__m | <i>v.</i> to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true |

ANSWERS: 153. insight, 154. equip, 155. engaging, 156. launch, 157. stick, 158. elect, 159. introductory, 160. claim

161. t_p a new market	<i>v.</i> to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
162. the final ba___t	<i>n.</i> a piece of paper used to cast a vote in an election
163. develop a st____gy	<i>n.</i> a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
164. a ch____on of peace	<i>n.</i> someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
165. achieve a vi___e relationship	<i>adj.</i> capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
166. im____nt danger	<i>adj.</i> coming or likely to happen very soon
167. cor____le judges	<i>adj.</i> capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
168. contractual co____ge	<i>n.</i> the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides
169. ci__c activity	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
170. sym____ze with a tragic hero	<i>v.</i> to express or feel compassion or understanding for someone else's pain, difficulty, or misfortune; to share in someone else's emotions or experiences
171. execution by burning at a st__e	<i>n.</i> a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something

ANSWERS: 161. tap, 162. ballot, 163. strategy, 164. champion, 165. viable, 166. imminent, 167. corruptible, 168. coverage, 169. civic, 170. sympathize, 171. stake

172. develop a vi___e therapy	<i>adj.</i> capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
173. have a b__s toward socialism	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
174. a tr_____on of a culture	<i>n.</i> a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
175. fire st__k	<i>v.</i> to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
176. cor_____le officials	<i>adj.</i> capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
177. st_____h opponent	<i>adj.</i> firmly loyal and devoted, unyielding or resolute
178. inf_____ion of the lungs	<i>n.</i> a physical condition in which a part of the body becomes red, painful, hot, and often swollen, especially as a reaction to infection or injury
179. a cell phone with an internet fa_____ty	<i>n.</i> a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
180. a China-based jou_____st	<i>n.</i> a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

ANSWERS: 172. viable, 173. bias, 174. tradition, 175. stick, 176. corruptible, 177. staunch, 178. inflammation, 179. facility, 180. journalist

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Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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
2. The shark's powerful _____ allowed it to swim at high speeds.
n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
3. There was a _____ of silence about illegal police interrogation.
n. a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something harmful or illegal
4. Bureaucracies are more _____ than other systems or organizations.
adj. capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
5. The third season of the anime show has been _____.
v. to make something known or officially inform people about something
6. She researched gender _____ in politics.
n. a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
7. Australia is widely _____ as having low levels of corruption.
v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
8. The media has been _____ the politician for his controversial statements.
v. to speak or write about someone or something in a way that is likely to make people have a very low opinion of them

ANSWERS: 1. platform, 2. fins, 3. conspiracy, 4. corruptible, 5. announced, 6. bias, 7. perceived, 8. vilifying

9. The construction company _____ the building with an earthquake-resistant device.
- v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
10. The cops _____ him of being the killer.
- v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
11. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.
- n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
12. You _____ a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.
- v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
13. The sudden policy change has caused _____ among employees.
- n.* the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty
14. 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
15. This cute dog's photo spread around the world as an Internet _____.
- n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online

ANSWERS: 9. equipped, 10. suspected, 11. emotions, 12. stick, 13. confusion, 14. decide, 15. meme

16. The well-crafted plot and interesting characters made the book very _____ to readers

adj. attractive or exciting; evoking a positive response or desire; having qualities that are likely to encourage someone to like or enjoy something

17. 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

18. The marketing team developed new _____ to boost sales.

n. the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports

19. I strongly _____ the new proposed law that would harm our environment.

v. to be against or in conflict with something or someone; to resist or to try to prevent something from happening

20. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

21. The scandal received widespread media _____.

n. the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides

22. I'm going to deny the _____ of his claim.

n. the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason

ANSWERS: 16. appealing, 17. worldviews, 18. tactics, 19. oppose, 20. tradition, 21. coverage, 22. legitimacy

23. The myth was _____ by scientists, who provided evidence to the contrary.
v. to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless
24. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for _____ of authority.
n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
25. The _____ bicyclist outrode all his competitors.
n. someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
26. The ____ of the avocado can be removed by gently wedging a spoon around it.
n. a hole in the ground or a cavity in a surface; a place for storing or holding something; a section of a theater or sports arena where people can sit
27. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something
28. When making arrests, police officers frequently _____ excessive force.
v. to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
29. The _____ for the upcoming election will be sent out to registered voters next week.
n. a piece of paper used to cast a vote in an election
30. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

ANSWERS: 23. debunked, 24. abuse, 25. champion, 26. pit, 27. participated, 28. employ, 29. ballot, 30. relate

31. The election administration nullified the election results because of _____ fraud.
n. a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election
32. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
33. The incident threw questions on her motivations and _____.
n. the quality of being able to be trusted or believed in doing what someone desires or requires
34. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.
adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
35. We _____ our mining resources to strengthen our national power.
v. to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc.
36. The _____ fur was so fluffy that it looked like it was always moving.
n. a young cat
37. She was disbarred for her _____ in fraud.
adj. attracting, pleasant, or charming
38. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.
n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
39. She was a _____ supporter of the cause, always willing to speak out for her beliefs.
adj. firmly loyal and devoted, unyielding or resolute

ANSWERS: 31. voter, 32. tackle, 33. reliability, 34. digital, 35. exploit, 36. kitten's, 37. engaging, 38. outcome, 39. staunch

40. Male gorillas with good drumming skills are more _____.

adj. capable of being done as intended; able to succeed

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

adj. obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof

42. The fan _____ the air in the room quickly.

v. to move continuously or freely around a place or closed system

43. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

44. They _____ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

45. 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

46. This company has an entire recycling _____ including major reprocessing plants.

n. a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

47. The medicine soothes the pain of chronic _____.

n. a physical condition in which a part of the body becomes red, painful, hot, and often swollen, especially as a reaction to infection or injury

ANSWERS: 40. viable, 41. intuitive, 42. circulates, 43. Communal, 44. encouraged, 45. elected, 46. facility, 47. inflammation

48. He is a man admired for the depth of his _____.

- n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

49. The _____ for the upcoming election vows to make positive changes in their community.

- n.* a person who is proposed as a candidate or contender for a position, award, or honor

50. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.

- v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity

51. I _____ with your struggles and am here to support you through them.

- v.* to express or feel compassion or understanding for someone else's pain, difficulty, or misfortune; to share in someone else's emotions or experiences

52. Public _____ is an essential service for many cities.

- n.* the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation

53. Please tell me how to _____ this computer.

- v.* to influence or control something or someone to your advantage, often in an unfair or dishonest way

54. He wants to _____ ownership of the abandoned property.

- v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

55. The _____ of his appointment as CEO was met with mixed reactions.

- n.* a statement, often written, that shows that something is true, correct, or definite

ANSWERS: 48. perception, 49. nominee, 50. conduct, 51. sympathize, 52. transit, 53. manipulate, 54. claim, 55. confirmation

56. 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

57. The production of _____ fuels requires massive volumes of fresh water.

adj. capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced

58. The _____ class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.

adj. intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point

59. The music was _____ of a bygone era.

adj. tending to evoke or bring something to mind

60. Tourists often get lost and _____ into a restricted area.

v. to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be

61. One of the main _____ of the new product is its increased efficiency.

n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

62. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

63. 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

ANSWERS: 56. individual, 57. renewable, 58. introductory, 59. evocative, 60. stray, 61. advantages, 62. launch, 63. stake

64. The doctor _____ the child with a vaccine.
v. to introduce a vaccine into the body to produce immunity to a specific disease
65. The company has been successful in maintaining the status _____.
n. the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
66. To protect their sensitive information, many businesses _____ their files.
v. to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons
67. To expand the company, we must _____ new human resources.
v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
68. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
69. The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and _____ it
adj. not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
70. Babies heavily _____ on others for food.
v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
71. The doctor prescribed medication to _____ the patient's appetite.
v. to bring something under control by force or authority; to put an end by force

ANSWERS: 64. inoculated, 65. quo, 66. encrypt, 67. tap, 68. strategy, 69. faked, 70. rely, 71. suppress

72. This country was long faced with _____ peril.

adj. coming or likely to happen very soon

73. The government is being criticized for spreading _____ about the pandemic.

n. false or misleading information that is spread deliberately, usually with the intent to deceive or manipulate public opinion

74. 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

75. The city promotes _____ collaboration in community development

adj. of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it

76. I am _____ to believe that she is telling the truth.

adj. having a tendency or preference for something; likely or disposed to think, feel, or behave in a certain way

77. The ship's hull was _____ from years of use in rough seas.

v. to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something

78. The company's reputation for honesty and _____ is highly valued among its customers.

n. the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

79. The company's cybersecurity team _____ the CEO to potential threats.

v. to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action

ANSWERS: 72. imminent, 73. disinformation, 74. movement, 75. civic, 76. inclined, 77. warped, 78. integrity, 79. alerted

80. The building makes a remarkable _____ impact.

adj. relating to seeing or sight

81. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the _____ release.

n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

82. Though his plan sounded _____ at first, he realized it anyway.

adj. (of an idea or story) so exaggerated or ludicrous as to be very difficult to believe

83. We gained various _____ by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

n. the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

84. I found her assertion pretty _____.

adj. able to make someone believe that something is true

85. Foreign TV crews and _____ can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

86. The comedian is famous for his ability to _____ famous politicians.

v. to pretend to be someone else, often with the intent to deceive or defraud; to imitate the mannerisms or speech of another person as a form of tribute or satire

87. There was a baseless _____ that the company was going bankrupt.

n. a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth

ANSWERS: 80. visual, 81. app's, 82. far-fetched, 83. insights, 84. convincing, 85. journalists, 86. impersonate, 87. rumor

88. As the use of technology continues to increase in everyday life, _____ awareness and education become even more important
- n.* the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction
89. The _____ government is responsible for maintaining the roads and public transportation in the city.
- adj.* of or relating to a municipality, which is a small administrative division within a larger city or town
90. The _____ of theft was unfounded, and the suspect was eventually cleared of all charges.
- n.* a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone

ANSWERS: 88. cybersecurity, 89. municipal, 90. accusation