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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

- folk** *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type  
*synonym*: community, family, person  
(1) **folk** art, (2) the **folk** songs of a particular district  
Some seaweed was used as **folk** medicine in ancient times.
- swastika** *n.* an ancient symbol consisting of a cross with arms bent at right angles, often used by cultures around the world as a symbol of good fortune or well-being, but more recently and unfortunately, associated with the Nazi party and its atrocities during World War II  
*synonym*: hakenkreuz, fylfot, gammadion  
(1) **swastika** symbol, (2) **swastika** tattoo  
The use of the **swastika** sign during World War II has forever tarnished its once-positive connotations in many cultures.
- hood** *n.* a covering for the head and neck, especially one attached to a garment  
*synonym*: hoodie, cowl, cloak  
(1) **hood** ornament, (2) a silk **hood**  
He pulled his waterproof **hood** up to protect himself from the rain.

- tiki** *n.* a carved wooden or stone statue or figurine in Polynesian art and culture, often depicting humanoid gods or ancestors  
*synonym* : statue, carving, figurehead  
(1) **tiki** bar, (2) **tiki** statue  
The **tiki** torches added a festive touch to the outdoor party.
- torch** *n.* a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle  
*synonym* : flashlight, lantern, flare  
(1) the **torch** of learning, (2) **torch** song  
She used an electric **torch** to light her way through the dark cave.
- threat** *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation  
*synonym* : menace, danger, hazard  
(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**  
The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
- perpetrate** *v.* to commit or carry out a harmful or illegal act, particularly one that involves violence or deception; to be responsible for the creation or continuation of a negative situation  
*synonym* : commit, perform, execute  
(1) **perpetrate** harassment, (2) **perpetrate** a fraud  
The criminal decided to **perpetrate** another robbery despite his previous arrest.
- pervasive** *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place  
*synonym* : extensive, ubiquitous, prevalent  
(1) **pervasive** language, (2) the **pervasive** odor of garlic  
Suspicion and worry were **pervasive** in our minds.

- writ** *n.* a written legal order or command  
*synonym*: legal document, order, legal process  
(1) a **writ** of summons, (2) issue a **writ**  
He was served with a **writ** of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.
- progressive** *adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one  
*synonym*: advanced, forward-thinking, modern  
(1) **progressive** taxation, (2) **progressive** development  
The **progressive** approach to education emphasizes hands-on learning and student-centered classrooms.
- racist** *adj.* characterized by or showing discrimination or prejudice against people of other races; (noun) a person with a prejudiced belief that one racial group is superior to others  
*synonym*: discriminatory, prejudiced, bigoted  
(1) far-right **racist**, (2) **racist** attitudes  
The **racist** comments made by the politician caused widespread condemnation.
- 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.
- approve** *v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.  
*synonym*: accept, authorize, agree  
(1) **approve** a measures, (2) unanimously **approve** a resolution  
My boss wouldn't **approve** of the plan.

## 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.

## racism

*n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized

*synonym*: prejudice, discrimination, bias

(1) systemic **racism**, (2) research on anti- **racism**

The school's lack of diversity was a clear indication of the **racism** present in the community.

## beam

*n.* a long, sturdy piece of timber, metal, or other material used to support a structure or span a distance; a ray or stream of light emitted by a source

*synonym*: ray, ray of light, shaft of light

(1) **beam** of light, (2) a structural **beam** of a building

The sun's **beam** shone through the window and illuminated the room.

## imply

*v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it

*synonym*: hint, indicate, denote

(1) **imply** a strong correlation, (2) **imply** the presence of alien

The salespeople speak in technical terms to **imply** that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.

## recover

*v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

*synonym*: come back, convalesce, heal

(1) **recover** a loss, (2) **recover** approval ratings

She is still **recovering** from a shot to her shoulder.

## impressive

*adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill

*synonym* : impactful, remarkable, exceptional

(1) **impressive** performances, (2) an **impressive** array of facts

The budget reduction was an **impressive** feat for our nation.

## journalism

*n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast

*synonym* : reporting, news media, writing

(1) **journalism** ethics, (2) tabloid **journalism**

She plans to study **journalism** in college and become a reporter.

## puzzle

*n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand

*synonym* : plight, maze, (verb) perplex

(1) crossword **puzzle**, (2) mathematical **puzzle**

This jigsaw **puzzle** is challenging because there are no pictures.

## persistent

*adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time

*synonym* : tenacious, steadfast, unrelenting

(1) **persistent** cough, (2) **persistent** data

Despite the setbacks, he remained **persistent** in his pursuit of his dreams.

## puzzled

*adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something

*synonym* : confused, perplexed, bewildered

(1) **puzzled** expression, (2) **puzzled** by the question

She was **puzzled** by the strange behavior of her cat.

## racial

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

*synonym* : ethnic, tribal, ethnical

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

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

## microphone

*n.* a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder

*synonym* : mic, megaphone, amplifier

(1) **microphone** cable, (2) built-in **microphone**

The interviewer asked him to speak into the **microphone**.

## gaze

*v.* to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else

*synonym* : stare, gawk, look

(1) **gaze** steadily at his face, (2) **gaze** absently out a window

The youngster was **gazed** at by the beast.

## native

*adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

*synonym* : endemic, domestic, aboriginal

(1) **native** to Africa, (2) **native** language

The vegetation here is almost wholly **native**.

## 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.

## economy

*n.* the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of

an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

*synonym*: finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

## unending

*adj.* seeming to have no end

*synonym*: endless, eternal, lasting

(1) **unending** battle, (2) the **unending** bliss

Creating amazing shows requires constant **unending** effort.

## string

*n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads

*synonym*: line, wire, rope

(1) retie the **string** and make it strong, (2) tense piano **strings**

She wore a **string** of pearls around her neck.

## high-profile

*adj.* attracting much attention and interest from the public and media

*synonym*: notable, prominent, distinguished

(1) **high-profile** lawyer, (2) become **high-profile**

Within six months, the research thesis became a **high-profile** scientific paper.

## unarmed

*adj.* without weapons or arms; not carrying any form of weapon or ammunition, or engaging in physical conflict with weapons

*synonym*: defenseless, vulnerable, helpless

(1) **unarmed** combat, (2) **unarmed** robbery

The **unarmed** protesters marched peacefully through the streets.

## massacre

*n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results

in the death of many individuals

*synonym* : slaughter, bloodbath, butchery

(1) **massacre** in the village, (2) animal **massacre**

The **massacre** of innocent civilians in the war zone was a tragic event.

## incident

*n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

*synonym* : event, occurrence, accident

(1) traffic **incident**, (2) security **incident**

The **incident** at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

## overt

*adj.* open, evident, or clear, especially in a way that is not intended to be secret

*synonym* : open, unhidden, obvious

(1) **overt** hostility, (2) **overt** symptoms

His **overt** lack of enthusiasm was noticeable to everyone in the room.

## capture

*v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

*synonym* : catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

## smartphone

*n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict

Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.

## beneath

*adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something

*synonym* : down, under, low

(1) the ground **beneath** my feet, (2) **beneath** contempt

A great stretch of the lake lay **beneath** them.



## visible

*adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view

*synonym*: clear, observable, seeable

(1) **visible** stars, (2) **visible** by X-ray

My home is easily **visible** from the shore.

## stubborn

*adj.* refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change

*synonym*: persistent, obstinate, determined

(1) **stubborn** attitude, (2) **stubborn** stains

He was so **stubborn** about his beliefs that he refused to listen to any other points of view.

## systemic

*adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

(1) the **systemic** arteries, (2) **systemic** reforms of the organization

This vaccine causes mild **systemic** side effects.

## institute

*n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

*synonym*: academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**

This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

## segregation

*n.* the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation

*synonym*: isolation, separation, discrimination

(1) racial **segregation**, (2) **segregation** of power

**Segregation** based on race or ethnicity is illegal and unjust.

## discriminate

*v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to

recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

*synonym* : show prejudice, segregate, differentiate

(1) **discriminate** against women employees,

(2) **discriminate** between different things

You should not **discriminate** against minorities.

## inequity

*n.* a lack of fairness or justice; an unfair or unequal situation or practice

*synonym* : injustice, unfairness, bias

(1) **inequity** in education, (2) market **inequity**

There's an **inequity** in the criminal justice system that needs to be addressed.

## criminal

*n.* a person who has committed a crime

*synonym* : offender, lawbreaker, delinquent

(1) wanted **criminal**, (2) **criminal** investigation

The police are searching for the **criminal** who stole the jewels.

## trump

*n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

(1) **trump** card, (2) choose **trump**

The **trump** suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.

## discovery

*n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

*synonym* : finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

## solid

*adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

*synonym* : stable, reliable, hard

(1) **solid** ally, (2) **solid** employment measures  
The **solid-state** of water is called ice.

## embrace

*v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;  
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

*synonym*: grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**  
The woods **embrace** the house.

## identity

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

*synonym*: character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual  
The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

## disturb

*v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

*synonym*: agitate, bother, intrude

(1) **disturb** the peace, (2) **disturb** his sleep  
Tourists frequently **disturb** the island's delicate natural balance.

## 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.

## lens

*n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

*synonym*: glass

(1) a convex **lens**, (2) a **lens** with a wide angle  
The photographer took this photo using a telephoto **lens**.

## podcast

*n.* a radio program made available in digital format that you can download from the Internet and play on a computer or music player

(1) football **podcast**, (2) listen to a **podcast**  
Our **podcast** was the most downloaded in the technology news genre this year.

## uncomfortable

*adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain  
*synonym*: comfortless, discomforting, painful

(1) an **uncomfortable** silence, (2) with an **uncomfortable** face  
His abusive words made me **uncomfortable**.

## intellect

*n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level  
*synonym*: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**  
Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

## critique

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

*synonym*: review, analysis, appraisal  
(1) a **critique** of the social system, (2) devastating **critique**  
Following the **critique** from the professor, students rewrite their essays and submit them for final evaluation.

## supremacy

*n.* the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status  
*synonym*: dominance, superiority, preeminence

(1) a race for **supremacy**, (2) **supremacy** of a country  
The empire's military power ensured its **supremacy** over the

neighboring states.

## **scholar**

*n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

*synonym*: professor, pupil, learner

(1) **scholar** in international politics, (2) noted **scholar**

You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a **scholar**.

## **frame**

*n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

*synonym*: body, skeleton, scaffolding

(1) a picture **frame**, (2) the **frame** of the policy

The detective looked for fingerprints on the window **frame**.

## **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.

## **descend**

*v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood

*synonym*: dip, drop, come down

(1) **descend** a steep hill, (2) **descend** by elevator

She was **descended** from an old Italian noble family.

## **ancestor**

*n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather

*synonym*: forebear, forefather, progenitor

(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**

My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

## **melanin**

*n.* a natural pigment found in the skin, hair, and eyes of animals, responsible for the color and tone of these

### features

*synonym* : pigment, coloration, hue

(1) **melanin** production, (2) **melanin** deficiency

People with more **melanin** in their skin can better protect themselves from the sun's harmful rays.

### genetically

*adv.* in a way that relates to or is produced by genes (= the units in the cells of a living thing received by an animal or plant from its parents) or heredity

*synonym* : hereditary, inherited, family-related

(1) **genetically** inherited traits, (2) **genetically** manipulated plant

The **genetically** modified crops were resistant to pests and required less water.

### genetic

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

*synonym* : hereditary, genetical, inborn

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

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

### diversity

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

*synonym* : variety, multiplicity, variousness

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

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

### speculate

*v.* to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence

*synonym* : assume, conjecture, infer

(1) **speculate** about the reason, (2) **speculate** on the outcome

He **speculated** that this investment would lead to success.

## ignorance

*n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact

*synonym*: unintelligence, inexperience, unawareness

(1) **ignorance** of the law, (2) **ignorance** is bliss

His **ignorance** of the situation led him to make a poor decision.

## 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.

## conclude

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

*synonym*: complete, finish, decide

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

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

## mist

*n.* a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water

*synonym*: fog, murk, haze

(1) **mist** in the morning, (2) fine **mist**

The sun has risen, and the **mist** has faded.

## assume

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

*synonym*: guess, presume, suppose

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

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

## scenario

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

*synonym*: plan, scheme, procedure

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

### **scenarios**

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

## tragic

*adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

*synonym*: calamitous, disastrous, catastrophic

(1) **tragic** love stories, (2) **tragic** death

The **tragic** events of the war left many families torn apart.

## misunderstand

*v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

*synonym*: misinterpret, misperceive, misapprehend

(1) **misunderstand** each other, (2) **misunderstand** entirely about her

You should not **misunderstand** the meaning of freedom.

## invention

*n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

*synonym*: creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

## 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?

## religion

*n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

*synonym*: faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or



gambling.

## tribal

*adj.* relating to a social group or tribe, especially a preliterate society

*synonym*: indigenous, ethnic, traditional

(1) **tribal** culture, (2) **tribal** community

The **tribal** leaders gathered for a summit to discuss important issues.

## ancient

*adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

*synonym*: archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

## historic

*adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so

*synonym*: memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat

The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

## superior

*adj.* better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others

*synonym*: better, greater, exceptional

(1) **superior** performance, (2) provide **superior** customer service

The new smartphone model is **superior** to the previous version in terms of speed and features.

## 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.

## advance

*v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

*synonym*: progress, boost, come along

(1) **advance** the technology, (2) **advance** a cooperative relationship

Scientific knowledge will **advance** significantly with the power of AI.

## barbarous

*adj.* extremely brutal, savage, or cruel; uncivilized, primitive, or lacking refinement

*synonym*: barbaric, savage, cruel

(1) **barbarous** behavior, (2) **barbarous** language

Human rights groups condemned the **barbarous** treatment of prisoners.

## slavery

*n.* the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work

*synonym*: bondage, servitude, enslavement

(1) **slavery** labor, (2) institution of **slavery**

The abolition of **slavery** in the United States was a major achievement in the fight for human rights.

## enslave

*v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action

*synonym*: coerce, deprive, imprison

(1) **enslave** poor peasants, (2) **enslave** indigenous people

Her beauty **enslaved** me completely.

## slave

*n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person

*synonym*: captive, bondservant, hard worker

(1) a **slave** of drink, (2) a **slave** trader

You should work hard but not be a **slave** to it.

## bulb

*n.* a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball

(1) wet- **bulb** thermometer, (2) a lily **bulb**

The light **bulb** has burned out.

## exhaustive

*adj.* comprehensive and thorough; totally complete; leaving no stone unturned

*synonym*: thorough, complete, comprehensive

(1) **exhaustive** study, (2) **exhaustive** review

The team conducted an **exhaustive** search for the missing hiker, but unfortunately, she was never found.

## 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.

## culprit

*n.* someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing

*synonym*: criminal, felon, fugitive

(1) the **culprit** of global warming, (2) the arrest of the **culprit**

They finally found the **culprit** of the bug after a long time.

## infamous

*adj.* having a reputation for being very bad or wicked

*synonym*: notorious, disreputable, scandalous

(1) an **infamous** crime, (2) acquire an **infamous** reputation

The **infamous** criminal was finally brought to justice.

## lump

*n.* a small, irregularly shaped mass or piece, typically of a soft substance such as coal, flour, or dough

*synonym*: mass, clump, ball

(1) **lump** in the throat, (2) single **lump** sum

There is a small **lump** on my neck, and I'm concerned about

it.

## vast

*adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

*synonym*: expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

## diverse

*adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities;  
various

*synonym*: manifold, various, myriad

(1) **diverse** backgrounds, (2) a person of **diverse** talents

New York is a city with a **diverse** ethnic population.

## continent

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

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

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

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

## distinct

*adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type

*synonym*: different, special, characteristic

(1) **distinct** difference, (2) **distinct** from each other

It is essential to keep these two issues **distinct**.

## inferior

*adj.* lower in rank, status, or quality

*synonym*: lower, subordinate, secondary

(1) an **inferior** poet, (2) **inferior** quality

The new employee's work was **inferior** to that of the  
experienced workers in the team.

## colonial

*adj.* of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled  
by a more powerful country); to the period of time during  
which a country or region was a colony

*synonym*: imperial, immigrant, gregarious

(1) oppressive **colonial** rule, (2) **colonial** style

The city has a rich **colonial** history, with many historic buildings and landmarks.

### sophisticated

*adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion  
*synonym* : refined, cultured, worldly

(1) **sophisticated** look, (2) a **sophisticated** lifestyle  
Marketing strategies are growing more **sophisticated**.

### 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.

### hire

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

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

### crown

*n.* a circular ornamental headdress, worn as a symbol of authority by a king, usually made of gold and precious stones

*synonym* : tiara, headdress, royalty

(1) the imperial **crown**, (2) the **crown** and throne  
The bishop bestowed the golden **crown** on the king.

### pioneer

*n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something

*synonym* : frontiersperson, innovator, trailblazer

(1) act as a **pioneer**, (2) early **pioneers**  
John Whitney was a computer animation **pioneer**.

### sub-Saharan

*adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert

(1) **sub-Saharan** Africa, (2) **sub-Saharan** countries

The coffee producers in **sub-Saharan** countries are at the sharp end of fluctuations in price.

## **kidnapping**

*n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive

*synonym*: abduction, snatch, kidnap

(1) **kidnapping** attempt, (2) mass **kidnapping**

She received a year's imprisonment for aggravated **kidnapping**.

## **suddenly**

*adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

*synonym*: abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

## **inferiority**

*n.* the state or condition of being lower in rank, quality, or status; a feeling or sense of being less worthy or capable than others

*synonym*: lower status, low self-esteem, inadequacy

(1) **inferiority** complex, (2) **inferiority** mindset

The professor's scathing comments left the student with a sense of **inferiority** about their work.

## **church**

*n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination

*synonym*: chapel, cathedral, synagogue

(1) **church** bell, (2) small **church**

The **church** on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.

## **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.

## property

*n.* a thing or things that belong to someone

*synonym*: belongings, possessions, equity

(1) a man of **property**, (2) chemical **property**

He stood to inherit a million-dollar **property**.

## labor

*n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

*synonym*: toil, toil, donkeywork

(1) seasonal **labor**, (2) manual **labor**

In several countries, child **labor** is a serious social problem.

## adopt

*v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

*synonym*: accept, assume, take on

(1) **adopt** a child, (2) **adopt** a bill

The national assembly has **adopted** the budget.

## fiction

*n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true

*synonym*: fantasy, fable, invention

(1) stuff of science **fiction**, (2) non- **fiction** bestseller

Truth is stranger than **fiction**.

## clarify

*v.* to make something, such as a statement or situation, less confusing and more understandable

*synonym*: explain, ascribe, purify

(1) **clarify** a goal, (2) **clarify** his feelings

The police tried to **clarify** the facts concerning her death.

## strip

*v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

*synonym* : deprive, undress, (noun) ribbon

(1) **strip** a tire off, (2) coast **strip**

The doctor advised him to **strip** down for a check.

## vicious

*adj.* having or showing a desire to cause harm to others; having the nature of vice

*synonym* : malicious, spiteful, malevolent

(1) **vicious** attack, (2) **vicious** deflationary spiral

The **vicious** dog barked and growled at anyone who came near its territory.

## brand

*n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

*synonym* : trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car

There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

## chattel

*n.* personal property, especially that which is movable and not fixed to land

*synonym* : property, possession, asset

(1) **chattel** mortgage, (2) personal property **chattels**

The enslaved people were treated as **chattel** and had no rights or freedoms.

## poorest

*adj.* having the least wealth or resources

*synonym* : impecunious, penniless, least

(1) **poorest** of the poor, (2) **poorest** area

The **poorest** countries in the world often have the highest rates of malnutrition.

## handout

*n.* giving money, food, or clothing to those who are poor or in need



*synonym*: contribution, aid, brochure

(1) plead for **handouts**, (2) three-page **handout**

All those eligible will receive financial **handouts**.

## revolution

*n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

*synonym*: coup, innovation, rebellion

(1) beginning of the industrial **revolution**, (2) a political **revolution**

The **revolution** by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

## 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.

## shift

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

*synonym*: transition, change, modification

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

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

## takeaway

*n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information

*synonym*: conclusion, message, insight

(1) **takeaway** pizza, (2) **takeaway** message

The main **takeaway** from the meeting was the need for better communication.

## biology

*n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

(1) evolutionary **biology**, (2) cell and molecular **biology**

In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in **biology**

class.

## 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.

## brutal

*adj.* harsh or cruel

*synonym*: harsh, cruel, barbarous

(1) **brutal** bully, (2) **brutal** honesty

The **brutal** attack left the victim with serious injuries.

## exploitation

*n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful

*synonym*: victimization, development, using

(1) sexual **exploitation**, (2) the **exploitation** of fossil resources

Strategic **exploitation** of cutting-edge technology would be a sure formula for success.

## profit

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

*synonym*: earnings, gain, proceeds

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

This business yields little **profit**.

## 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.

## sink

*v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

*synonym* : descend, drop, plummet

(1) **sink** a lot of capital, (2) **sink** a buzzer-beater

The abandoned ship slowly began to **sink** into the murky waters of the harbor.

## attitude

*n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something

*synonym* : mindset, perspective, philosophy

(1) **attitude** toward mistakes, (2) **attitude** control

She had the **attitude** that work was fun.

## 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.

## bigotry

*n.* intolerance toward those who hold different opinions from oneself

*synonym* : intolerance, prejudice, bias

(1) ethnic **bigotry**, (2) self-righteous **bigotry**

**Bigotry** and discrimination have no place in our society.

## prop

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

*synonym* : support, buttress, column

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

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

## 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.

## disadvantage

*n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position

*synonym*: detriment, drawback, (verb) disfavor

(1) the **disadvantage** of a plan, (2) **disadvantage** small businesses

A lack of education can be a significant **disadvantage** in today's job market.

## convince

*v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

*synonym*: persuade, win over, convert

(1) **convince** her to go with us, (2) **convince** an opponent  
I am considering what I should do to **convince** him.

## stratify

*v.* to arrange or divide into layers or strata based on characteristics such as social, economic, or cultural status

*synonym*: layer, classify, arrange in layers

(1) **stratify** populations, (2) **stratify** data

Society tends to **stratify** people into different economic classes.

## 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** warranto

The company has been successful in maintaining the status **quo**.

## grasp

*v.* to take hold of something or someone quickly and firmly

*synonym*: grab, clasp, grip

(1) **grasp** his hand, (2) **grasp** a chance

They spent a lot of time trying to **grasp** the current situation.

## origin

*n.* the first existence or beginning of something  
*synonym*: root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

## mystification

*n.* the act or process of making something difficult to understand or explain, often to deceive or manipulate  
*synonym*: puzzle, perplexity, confusion

(1) **mystification** of the public, (2) **mystification** of the subject

The magician's tricks were a source of **mystification** for the audience.

## outdated

*adj.* no longer useful or valid because of being old-fashioned  
*synonym*: obsolete, ancient, bygone

(1) become **outdated**, (2) **outdated** technology

We replaced **outdated** equipment to improve factory productivity.

## fade

*v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness  
*synonym*: languish, wither

(1) **fade** away almost completely, (2) **fade** in importance

My memory will **fade**, but my heart will live on.

## lever

*n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily

*synonym*: lifter, crowbar, bar

(1) a gear change **lever**, (2) **lever** for reform

This initiative will be a **lever** for increasing company sales.

## reinforce

*v.* to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger

*synonym*: strengthen, fortify, support

(1) **reinforce** the military, (2) **reinforce** good behavior

We should **reinforce** the troops at the front line.

## **broadcast**

*v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television

*synonym*: air, announce, advertise

(1) **broadcast** a concert, (2) **broadcast** a radio ad

Most of the programs are **broadcast** in this area.

## **studio**

*n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

*synonym*: workshop, atelier, room

(1) a photo **studio**, (2) music **studio**

She works at a recording **studio** in Los Angeles.

## **mention**

*v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly

*synonym*: reference, allude, cite

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

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

## **fuss**

*n.* a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance

*synonym*: commotion, agitation, disturbance

(1) make a **fuss**, (2) get into a **fuss**

There was a **fuss** about the broken vase, but it was quickly forgotten.

## **pocketbook**

*n.* a small bag or purse usually carried in a pocket or worn on the wrist or shoulder for carrying money and other small personal items; a book or guide that contains information or tips on a particular subject, such as travel or fashion

*synonym*: wallet, purse, billfold

(1) **pocketbook** issues, (2) leather **pocketbook**

She pulled her wallet out of her **pocketbook** to pay for the groceries.

## embarrass

v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed  
*synonym*: disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project  
He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

## struggle

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

*synonym*: toil, strive, compete

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

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

## sideline

n. a secondary or less significant job, interest, or activity; a line on the side of a sports field that players must stay behind; (verb) to remove someone from their position or role, often temporarily or as a result of a setback or failure

*synonym*: sidestep, periphery, (verb) ignore

(1) **sideline** reporter, (2) lucrative **sideline**

The coach benched the star player after he broke a team rule, leaving him on the **sideline** for the entire game.

## contest

n. a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals

*synonym*: battle, competition, match

(1) a speech **contest**, (2) a close **contest**

There was a vast **contest** between the two tribes.

## sheriff

n. (in the US) a government official who is responsible for keeping law and order within a particular county or town

*synonym*: officer, enforcer

(1) **sheriff** court, (2) deputy **sheriff**

The **sheriff** kept establishing order in the town.

## sincere

*adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful

*synonym*: earnest, fervent, candid

(1) a **sincere** man, (2) express **sincere** regret

Please accept my **sincere** condolences on your friend's death.

## dismantle

*v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment

*synonym*: take apart, demolish, take down

(1) **dismantle** a machine, (2) **dismantle** a system

The old building had to be **dismantled** because it was structurally unsound.

## complicit

*adj.* involved in or responsible for a wrongful or unethical act, often through inaction or silence; in cooperation with another person or group

*synonym*: compliant, involved, accessory

(1) **complicit** behavior, (2) **complicit** in cover-up

The accomplice was **complicit** in the crime committed by her partner.

## sham

*n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

*synonym*: bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**

The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

## guilt

*n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong

*synonym*: regret, remorse, blame

(1) criminal **guilt**, (2) feeling of **guilt**

Shame and **guilt** have significant social influences.



## 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.

## documentary

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

*synonym* : film, broadcast, doco

(1) a **documentary** film, (2) **documentary** proof

He won an award for that short **documentary**.

## storytelling

*n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories

*synonym* : narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**

She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

## doe

*n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

*synonym* : rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

## 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.

## transform

*v.* to change in outward structure or looks;

*synonym* : alter, convert, change

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

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

## unjust

*adj.* not fair or equitable; lacking in justice or impartiality; morally unacceptable or wrong

*synonym*: unfair, inequitable

(1) **unjust** verdict, (2) **unjust** accusation

The ruling was considered **unjust** by many people in the community.

## grudgingly

*adv.* in a manner that shows reluctance or unwillingness; with resentment or discontent

*synonym*: reluctantly, unwillingly, begrudgingly

(1) assume **grudgingly**, (2) **grudgingly** apologize

He **grudgingly** agreed to help his neighbor move her furniture.

## equity

*n.* the value of the shares issued by a company

*synonym*: fairness

(1) private **equity** firm, (2) **equity** capital market

That company is cautious when it comes to **equity** investment.

## accomplice

*n.* a person who helps someone else commit a crime or wrongdoing; a partner or associate in a questionable or immoral activity

*synonym*: confederate, partner, collaborator

(1) **accomplice** in crime, (2) secret **accomplice**

The detectives found evidence that suggested the suspect acted as an **accomplice** in the murder.

## colleague

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

*synonym*: coworker, associate, fellow

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

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

## humility

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

*synonym*: humbleness, modesty, unpretentiousness

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

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

## vulnerable

*adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

*synonym*: susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body

Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

## willingness

*n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something

*synonym*: readiness, eagerness, enthusiasm

(1) **willingness** to help, (2) indicate a **willingness** to change

Her **willingness** to help others earned her many friends.

## oppress

*v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

*synonym*: antagonize, distress, burden

(1) **oppress** the minority, (2) **oppress** the people with force

Historically, many countries have often **oppressed** certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.

## Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. the exp_____ion of fossil resources | <i>n.</i> the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful  |
| 2. three-page ha_____t                 | <i>n.</i> giving money, food, or clothing to those who are poor or in need  |
| 3. jou_____sm ethics                   | <i>n.</i> the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast  |
| 4. ov__t symptoms                      | <i>adj.</i> open, evident, or clear, especially in a way that is not intended to be secret  |
| 5. v__t majority                       | <i>adj.</i> enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity   |
| 6. po_____t of the poor                | <i>adj.</i> having the least wealth or resources  |
| 7. vi_____e by X-ray                   | <i>adj.</i> capable of being seen; or open to easy view   |
| 8. su_____t that he is sick            | <i>v.</i> to consider anything to be actual or probable   |
| 9. create a br__d logo                 | <i>n.</i> a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning                             |
| 10. manual la__r                       | <i>n.</i> productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal |

ANSWERS: 1. exploitation, 2. handout, 3. journalism, 4. overt, 5. vast, 6. poorest, 7. visible, 8. suspect, 9. brand, 10. labor

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| 11. 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 |
| 12. beginning of the industrial rev_____on | <i>n.</i> a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;   |
| 13. lack of hu_____ty                      | <i>n.</i> the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self   |
| 14. ta_____ay message                      | <i>n.</i> a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information  |
| 15. co_____nt urinary diversion            | <i>n.</i> one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex                         |
| 16. di_____b the peace                     | <i>v.</i> to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.  |
| 17. f__k art                               | <i>n.</i> people in general, especially those of a particular group or type  |
| 18. cell and molecular bi_____y            | <i>n.</i> the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things  |
| 19. a warm em_____e                        | <i>v.</i> to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection      |
| 20. a speech co_____t                      | <i>n.</i> a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals                                |

ANSWERS: 11. advantage, 12. revolution, 13. humility, 14. takeaway, 15. continent, 16. disturb, 17. folk, 18. biology, 19. embrace, 20. contest

21. per\_\_\_\_\_te harassment *v.* to commit or carry out a harmful or illegal act, particularly one that involves violence or deception; to be responsible for the creation or continuation of a negative situation
22. a l\_\_s with a wide angle *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
23. a China-based jou\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
24. in\_\_\_\_\_ty in education *n.* a lack of fairness or justice; an unfair or unequal situation or practice
25. the dis\_\_\_\_\_age of a plan *n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
26. ra\_\_\_t attitudes *adj.* characterized by or showing discrimination or prejudice against people of other races; (noun) a person with a prejudiced belief that one racial group is superior to others
27. pe\_\_\_\_\_ve language *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
28. the fr\_\_e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

ANSWERS: 21. perpetrate, 22. lens, 23. journalist, 24. inequity, 25. disadvantage, 26. racist, 27. pervasive, 28. frame

29. 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.
30. sma\_\_\_\_\_ne addict *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
31. a picture fr\_\_\_e *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
32. im\_\_\_y a strong correlation *v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
33. take ad\_\_\_\_\_ge of his weak points *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
34. institution of sl\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work
35. cl\_\_\_\_\_y a goal *v.* to make something, such as a statement or situation, less confusing and more understandable
36. a sl\_\_\_e trader *n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person
37. unanimously ap\_\_\_\_\_e a resolution *v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.

ANSWERS: 29. stroke, 30. smartphone, 31. frame, 32. imply, 33. advantage, 34. slavery, 35. clarify, 36. slave, 37. approve

38. the worst case sc\_\_\_\_\_io *n.* a description of possible actions or events in the future; a written outline of a play, film, or literary work
39. hig\_\_\_\_\_ile lawyer *adj.* attracting much attention and interest from the public and media
40. in\_\_\_\_\_te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
41. mistaken id\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
42. con\_\_\_\_\_ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
43. id\_\_\_\_\_ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
44. an\_\_\_\_\_or language *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
45. mathematical pu\_\_\_\_e *n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand
46. a person of di\_\_\_\_\_e talents *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

ANSWERS: 38. scenario, 39. high-profile, 40. institute, 41. identity, 42. conversation, 43. identity, 44. ancestor, 45. puzzle, 46. diverse



47. st\_\_\_\_fy populations *v.* to arrange or divide into layers or strata based on characteristics such as social, economic, or cultural status
48. express si\_\_\_\_\_e regret *adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
49. develop an attitude of hu\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
50. animal ma\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals
51. indicate a wil\_\_\_\_\_ss to change *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
52. status q\_o politician *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
53. act as a pi\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
54. or\_\_\_\_n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
55. so\_\_d employment measures *adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality
56. a photo st\_\_\_\_o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
57. tr\_\_\_\_\_rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
58. f\_\_e away almost completely *v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness

ANSWERS: 47. stratify, 48. sincere, 49. humility, 50. massacre, 51. willingness, 52. quo, 53. pioneer, 54. origin, 55. solid, 56. studio, 57. transform, 58. fade

59. coast st\_\_p *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
60. hi\_\_\_\_ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
61. a gear change le\_\_r *n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
62. human in\_\_\_\_ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
63. dis\_\_\_\_age small businesses *n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
64. sub\_\_\_\_an countries *adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert
65. me\_\_\_\_n deficiency *n.* a natural pigment found in the skin, hair, and eyes of animals, responsible for the color and tone of these features
66. em\_\_\_\_e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of claspng another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
67. freedom of re\_\_\_\_on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
68. gen\_\_\_\_ly inherited traits *adv.* in a way that relates to or is produced by genes (= the units in the cells of a living thing received by an animal or plant from its parents) or heredity

ANSWERS: 59. strip, 60. historic, 61. lever, 62. intellect, 63. disadvantage, 64. sub-Saharan, 65. melanin, 66. embrace, 67. religion, 68. genetically

69. sy\_\_\_\_ic reforms of the organization  
*adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society
70. the inland of a co\_\_\_\_\_nt  
*n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
71. q\_o warranto  
*n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
72. ch\_\_\_\_h bell  
*n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
73. si\_\_\_\_\_ne reporter  
*n.* a secondary or less significant job, interest, or activity; a line on the side of a sports field that players must stay behind; (verb) to remove someone from their position or role, often temporarily or as a result of a setback or failure
74. mic\_\_\_\_\_ne cable  
*n.* a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder
75. exh\_\_\_\_\_ve review  
*adj.* comprehensive and thorough; totally complete; leaving no stone unturned
76. feeling of gu\_\_t  
*n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
77. ba\_\_\_\_\_us behavior  
*adj.* extremely brutal, savage, or cruel; uncivilized, primitive, or lacking refinement

ANSWERS: 69. systemic, 70. continent, 71. quo, 72. church, 73. sideline, 74. microphone, 75. exhaustive, 76. guilt, 77. barbarous

78. racial seg\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation
79. have ge\_\_\_\_\_c testing *adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
80. leather poc\_\_\_\_\_ok *n.* a small bag or purse usually carried in a pocket or worn on the wrist or shoulder for carrying money and other small personal items; a book or guide that contains information or tips on a particular subject, such as travel or fashion
81. courtroom sto\_\_\_\_\_ing *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
82. ov\_\_t hostility *adj.* open, evident, or clear, especially in a way that is not intended to be secret
83. ta\_\_\_\_\_ay pizza *n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information
84. pro\_\_\_\_\_ve taxation *adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one
85. enrich my in\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
86. br\_\_\_\_\_st a radio ad *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television

ANSWERS: 78. segregation, 79. genetic, 80. pocketbook, 81. storytelling, 82. overt, 83. takeaway, 84. progressive, 85. intellect, 86. broadcast

87. st\_\_\_\_\_le against discrimination      *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
88. re\_\_\_\_\_ce good behavior      *v.* to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger
89. former co\_\_\_\_\_ue      *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
90. su\_\_\_\_\_cy of a country      *n.* the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status
91. gross pr\_\_\_\_t      *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
92. the great di\_\_\_\_\_ry of the century      *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
93. seasonal la\_\_\_\_r      *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
94. die su\_\_\_\_\_ly      *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
95. pu\_\_\_\_\_d by the question      *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
96. music st\_\_\_\_o      *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

ANSWERS: 87. struggle, 88. reinforce, 89. colleague, 90. supremacy, 91. profit, 92. discovery, 93. labor, 94. suddenly, 95. puzzled, 96. studio

97. ethnic bi\_\_\_\_y *n.* intolerance toward those who hold different opinions from oneself
98. sub\_\_\_\_\_an Africa *adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert
99. collaborate with co\_\_\_\_\_ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
100. security in\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
101. wil\_\_\_\_\_ss to help *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
102. environmental th\_\_\_\_t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
103. sma\_\_\_\_\_ne app developer *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
104. doc\_\_\_\_\_ry proof *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
105. a s\_\_m battle *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
106. acc\_\_\_\_\_ce in crime *n.* a person who helps someone else commit a crime or wrongdoing; a partner or associate in a questionable or immoral activity

ANSWERS: 97. bigotry, 98. sub-Saharan, 99. colleague, 100. incident, 101. willingness, 102. threat, 103. smartphone, 104. documentary, 105. sham, 106. accomplice

107. s\_\_k a buzzer-beater      *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
108. in\_\_\_\_or quality      *adj.* lower in rank, status, or quality
109. en\_\_\_\_\_er a crisis      *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
110. ad\_\_t a child      *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
111. sh\_\_\_\_\_f court      *n.* (in the US) a government official who is responsible for keeping law and order within a particular county or town
112. ra\_\_\_l and ethnic backgrounds      *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
113. pre-Christian an\_\_\_\_\_t      *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
114. a friendly con\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
115. dis\_\_\_\_\_ate against women employees      *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

ANSWERS: 107. sink, 108. inferior, 109. encounter, 110. adopt, 111. sheriff, 112. racial, 113. ancient, 114. conversation, 115. discriminate

116. di\_\_\_e money equally      *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
117. the di\_\_\_\_\_ty policy of the university      *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
118. h\_\_e a guide      *v.* to give somebody a job
119. di\_\_\_\_\_le a machine      *v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment
120. t\_\_i bar      *n.* a carved wooden or stone statue or figurine in Polynesian art and culture, often depicting humanoid gods or ancestors
121. res\_\_\_\_\_le action      *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
122. tr\_\_\_c love stories      *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
123. po\_\_\_\_\_t area      *adj.* having the least wealth or resources
124. mo\_\_\_\_\_nt of troops      *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
125. ca\_\_\_\_\_e customers' hearts      *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

ANSWERS: 116. divide, 117. diversity, 118. hire, 119. dismantle, 120. tiki, 121. responsible, 122. tragic, 123. poorest, 124. movement, 125. capture



126. 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.
127. st\_\_\_\_\_rn stains *adj.* refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change
128. sexual exp\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful
129. ad\_\_\_\_\_e a cooperative relationship *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
130. tr\_\_\_c death *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
131. a sl\_\_\_e of drink *n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person
132. sw\_\_\_\_\_ka tattoo *n.* an ancient symbol consisting of a cross with arms bent at right angles, often used by cultures around the world as a symbol of good fortune or well-being, but more recently and unfortunately, associated with the Nazi party and its atrocities during World War II
133. plead for ha\_\_\_\_\_ts *n.* giving money, food, or clothing to those who are poor or in need
134. br\_\_\_l bully *adj.* harsh or cruel

ANSWERS: 126. stroke, 127. stubborn, 128. exploitation, 129. advance, 130. tragic, 131. slave, 132. swastika, 133. handout, 134. brutal

135. a cr\_\_\_\_\_ue of the social system      *n.* a detailed analysis or examination of something, especially a literary, philosophical, or political theory; an essay or article that gives a critical evaluation
136. re\_\_\_\_\_on sociology      *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
137. mass kid\_\_\_\_\_ng      *n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
138. an in\_\_\_\_\_or poet      *adj.* lower in rank, status, or quality
139. as\_\_\_\_e an important role      *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
140. st\_\_\_\_\_le to get the job      *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
141. lingual di\_\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
142. co\_\_\_\_\_de that he is healthy      *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
143. per\_\_\_\_\_te a fraud      *v.* to commit or carry out a harmful or illegal act, particularly one that involves violence or deception; to be responsible for the creation or continuation of a negative situation

ANSWERS: 135. critique, 136. religion, 137. kidnapping, 138. inferior, 139. assume, 140. struggle, 141. diversity, 142. conclude, 143. perpetrate

144. a w\_\_t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
145. di\_\_\_\_e backgrounds *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
146. football po\_\_\_\_t *n.* a radio program made available in digital format that you can download from the Internet and play on a computer or music player
147. ad\_\_\_\_e the technology *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
148. early pi\_\_\_\_rs *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
149. the arrest of the cu\_\_\_\_t *n.* someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing
150. me\_\_\_\_n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
151. em\_\_\_\_ss my project *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
152. di\_\_\_\_b his sleep *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
153. exh\_\_\_\_ve study *adj.* comprehensive and thorough; totally complete; leaving no stone unturned
154. a circular mo\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
155. vul\_\_\_\_le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

ANSWERS: 144. writ, 145. diverse, 146. podcast, 147. advance, 148. pioneer, 149. culprit, 150. mention, 151. embarrass, 152. disturb, 153. exhaustive, 154. movement, 155. vulnerable

156. eq\_\_\_y capital market *n.* the value of the shares issued by a company
157. make a pr\_\_\_t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
158. chemical pr\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
159. re\_\_\_\_r a loss *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
160. tr\_\_\_l community *adj.* relating to a social group or tribe, especially a preliterate society
161. kid\_\_\_\_\_ng attempt *n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
162. as\_\_\_e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
163. major paradigm sh\_\_t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
164. provide su\_\_\_\_or customer service *adj.* better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others
165. poc\_\_\_\_\_ok issues *n.* a small bag or purse usually carried in a pocket or worn on the wrist or shoulder for carrying money and other small personal items; a book or guide that contains information or tips on a particular subject, such as travel or fashion
166. g\_\_e steadily at his face *v.* to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else

ANSWERS: 156. equity, 157. profit, 158. property, 159. recover, 160. tribal, 161. kidnapping, 162. assume, 163. shift, 164. superior, 165. pocketbook, 166. gaze

167. de\_\_\_e on a course of action      *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
168. un\_\_\_\_\_ng battle      *adj.* seeming to have no end
169. s\_\_k a lot of capital      *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
170. racial or\_\_\_n      *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
171. small ch\_\_\_h      *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
172. become ou\_\_\_\_\_ed      *adj.* no longer useful or valid because of being old-fashioned
173. f\_\_e in importance      *v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
174. an\_\_\_\_\_t stories      *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
175. st\_\_p a tire off      *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
176. 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

ANSWERS: 167. decide, 168. unending, 169. sink, 170. origin, 171. church, 172. outdated, 173. fade, 174. ancient, 175. strip, 176. develop

177. achieve the hi\_\_\_\_ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
178. tabloid jou\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast
179. wanted cr\_\_\_\_al *n.* a person who has committed a crime
180. listen to a po\_\_\_\_t *n.* a radio program made available in digital format that you can download from the Internet and play on a computer or music player
181. a si\_\_\_\_e man *adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
182. un\_\_\_\_t accusation *adj.* not fair or equitable; lacking in justice or impartiality; morally unacceptable or wrong
183. en\_\_\_\_e indigenous people *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
184. tense piano st\_\_\_\_gs *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
185. gen\_\_\_\_\_ly manipulated plant *adv.* in a way that relates to or is produced by genes (= the units in the cells of a living thing received by an animal or plant from its parents) or heredity
186. t\_\_i statue *n.* a carved wooden or stone statue or figurine in Polynesian art and culture, often depicting humanoid gods or ancestors

ANSWERS: 177. historic, 178. journalism, 179. criminal, 180. podcast, 181. sincere, 182. unjust, 183. enslave, 184. string, 185. genetically, 186. tiki

187. ig\_\_\_\_\_ce of the law *n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
188. the cu\_\_\_\_\_t of global warming *n.* someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing
189. a man of pr\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
190. me\_\_\_\_\_n production *n.* a natural pigment found in the skin, hair, and eyes of animals, responsible for the color and tone of these features
191. a vul\_\_\_\_\_le bridge *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
192. d\_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
193. seg\_\_\_\_\_on of power *n.* the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation
194. di\_\_\_\_\_le a system *v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment
195. gru\_\_\_\_\_ly apologize *adv.* in a manner that shows reluctance or unwillingness; with resentment or discontent
196. the un\_\_\_\_\_ng bliss *adj.* seeming to have no end
197. mis\_\_\_\_\_and entirely about her *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

ANSWERS: 187. ignorance, 188. culprit, 189. property, 190. melanin, 191. vulnerable, 192. doe, 193. segregation, 194. dismantle, 195. grudgingly, 196. unending, 197. misunderstand

198. ch\_\_\_\_\_l mortgage *n.* personal property, especially that which is movable and not fixed to land
199. research in\_\_\_\_\_tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
200. a political rev\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
201. res\_\_\_\_\_le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
202. co\_\_\_\_\_ce her to go with us *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
203. g\_\_e absently out a window *v.* to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
204. eloquently art\_\_\_\_\_te *v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
205. st\_\_\_\_\_fy data *v.* to arrange or divide into layers or strata based on characteristics such as social, economic, or cultural status
206. at\_\_\_\_\_de toward mistakes *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
207. re\_\_\_\_\_ce the military *v.* to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger

ANSWERS: 198. chattel, 199. institute, 200. revolution, 201. responsible, 202. convince, 203. gaze, 204. articulate, 205. stratify, 206. attitude, 207. reinforce



208. oppressive co\_\_\_\_al rule *adj.* of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony
209. 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
210. re\_\_\_e a story *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
211. imp\_\_\_\_\_ve performances *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
212. be\_\_\_\_\_h contempt *adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something
213. per\_\_\_\_\_nt cough *adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time
214. choose tr\_\_p *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
215. an imp\_\_\_\_\_ve array of facts *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
216. the ground be\_\_\_\_\_h my feet *adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something
217. h\_\_e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job

ANSWERS: 208. colonial, 209. poll, 210. relate, 211. impressive, 212. beneath, 213. persistent, 214. trump, 215. impressive, 216. beneath, 217. hire

218. the cr\_\_n and throne *n.* a circular ornamental headdress, worn as a symbol of authority by a king, usually made of gold and precious stones
219. me\_\_\_\_\_n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
220. op\_\_\_\_\_s the people with force *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
221. ig\_\_\_\_\_ce is bliss *n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
222. Doppler sh\_\_t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
223. inf\_\_\_\_\_ty mindset *n.* the state or condition of being lower in rank, quality, or status; a feeling or sense of being less worthy or capable than others
224. assume gru\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* in a manner that shows reluctance or unwillingness; with resentment or discontent
225. an in\_\_\_\_\_us crime *adj.* having a reputation for being very bad or wicked
226. pu\_\_\_\_\_d expression *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
227. get into a f\_\_s *n.* a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance
228. to\_\_h song *n.* a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle

ANSWERS: 218. crown, 219. mention, 220. oppress, 221. ignorance, 222. shift, 223. inferiority, 224. grudgingly, 225. infamous, 226. puzzled, 227. fuss, 228. torch

229. ar\_\_e a case                    *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
230. cl\_\_m responsibility           *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
231. secret acc\_\_\_\_\_ce           *n.*    a person who helps someone else commit a crime or wrongdoing; a partner or associate in a questionable or immoral activity
232. earliest human an\_\_\_\_or       *n.*    a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
233. become hig\_\_\_\_\_ile         *adj.*  attracting much attention and interest from the public and media
234. em\_\_\_\_\_ss political enemy   *v.*    to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
235. sp\_\_\_\_\_te about the reason   *v.*    to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence
236. evolutionary bi\_\_\_\_\_y         *n.*    the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
237. inf\_\_\_\_\_ty complex          *n.*    the state or condition of being lower in rank, quality, or status; a feeling or sense of being less worthy or capable than others
238. ec\_\_\_\_\_y class                *n.*    the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 229. argue, 230. claim, 231. accomplice, 232. ancestor, 233. high-profile, 234. embarrass, 235. speculate, 236. biology, 237. inferiority, 238. economy

239. di\_\_\_e the cake into two pieces      *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
240. gr\_\_p a chance      *v.* to take hold of something or someone quickly and firmly
241. re\_\_\_\_\_r approval ratings      *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
242. na\_\_\_e language      *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
243. crossword pu\_\_\_e      *n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand
244. the br\_\_d of the new car      *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
245. dis\_\_\_\_\_ate between different things      *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
246. a close co\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals
247. fine m\_\_t      *n.* a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water

ANSWERS: 239. divide, 240. grasp, 241. recover, 242. native, 243. puzzle, 244. brand, 245. discriminate, 246. contest, 247. mist

248. co\_\_\_\_\_it in cover-up *adj.* involved in or responsible for a wrongful or unethical act, often through inaction or silence; in cooperation with another person or group
249. en\_\_\_\_\_e poor peasants *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
250. un\_\_\_\_\_d combat *adj.* without weapons or arms; not carrying any form of weapon or ammunition, or engaging in physical conflict with weapons
251. wet-b\_\_b thermometer *n.* a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball
252. private eq\_\_\_y firm *n.* the value of the shares issued by a company
253. im\_\_y the presence of alien *v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
254. sop\_\_\_\_\_ted look *adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
255. non-fi\_\_\_\_\_n bestseller *n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
256. p\_\_p stick *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

ANSWERS: 248. complicit, 249. enslave, 250. unarmed, 251. bulb, 252. equity, 253. imply, 254. sophisticated, 255. fiction, 256. prop

257. the pe_____ve odor of garlic	<i>adj.</i> spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
258. personal property ch_____ls	<i>n.</i> personal property, especially that which is movable and not fixed to land
259. self-righteous bi_____y	<i>n.</i> intolerance toward those who hold different opinions from oneself
260. a ge_____c disorder	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
261. ba_____us language	<i>adj.</i> extremely brutal, savage, or cruel; uncivilized, primitive, or lacking refinement
262. systemic ra_____m	<i>n.</i> prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized
263. ind_____al freedom	<i>n.</i> a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
264. le__r for reform	<i>n.</i> a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
265. co_____al combination of funds	<i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
266. ar__e passionately	<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
267. a structural b__m of a building	<i>n.</i> a long, sturdy piece of timber, metal, or other material used to support a structure or span a distance; a ray or stream of light emitted by a source

ANSWERS: 257. pervasive, 258. chattel, 259. bigotry, 260. genetic, 261. barbarous, 262. racism, 263. individual, 264. lever, 265. communal, 266. argue, 267. beam

268. su\_\_\_\_t a plot *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
269. economic th\_\_\_\_t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
270. issue a w\_\_t *n.* a written legal order or command
271. single l\_\_p sum *n.* a small, irregularly shaped mass or piece, typically of a soft substance such as coal, flour, or dough
272. buck and d\_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
273. un\_\_\_\_d robbery *adj.* without weapons or arms; not carrying any form of weapon or ammunition, or engaging in physical conflict with weapons
274. ca\_\_\_\_e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
275. sp\_\_\_\_te on the outcome *v.* to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence
276. lucrative si\_\_\_\_ne *n.* a secondary or less significant job, interest, or activity; a line on the side of a sports field that players must stay behind; (verb) to remove someone from their position or role, often temporarily or as a result of a setback or failure

ANSWERS: 268. suspect, 269. threat, 270. writ, 271. lump, 272. doe, 273. unarmed, 274. capture, 275. speculate, 276. sideline

277. v\_\_t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
278. ad\_\_t a bill *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
279. op\_\_\_\_\_s the minority *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
280. emotional p\_\_p *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
281. h\_\_d ornament *n.* a covering for the head and neck, especially one attached to a garment
282. market in\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a lack of fairness or justice; an unfair or unequal situation or practice
283. noted sc\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
284. a doc\_\_\_\_\_ry film *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
285. a scientific di\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 277. vast, 278. adopt, 279. oppress, 280. prop, 281. hood, 282. inequity, 283. scholar, 284. documentary, 285. discovery



286. research on anti-ra\_\_\_m                    *n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized
287. de\_\_\_\_d a steep hill                    *v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood
288. vi\_\_\_\_s deflationary spiral            *adj.* having or showing a desire to cause harm to others; having the nature of vice
289. a sop\_\_\_\_\_ted lifestyle            *adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
290. so\_\_d ally                                  *adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality
291. mis\_\_\_\_\_and each other            *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
292. di\_\_\_\_ct from each other            *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
293. ec\_\_\_\_y of scale                        *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
294. art\_\_\_\_\_te his position            *v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language

ANSWERS: 286. racism, 287. descend, 288. vicious, 289. sophisticated, 290. solid, 291. misunderstand, 292. distinct, 293. economy, 294. articulate

295. 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
296. en\_\_\_\_\_er a storm      *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
297. m\_\_t in the morning      *n.* a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water
298. tr\_\_p card      *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
299. make a f\_\_s      *n.* a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance
300. retie the st\_\_\_\_g and make it strong      *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
301. su\_\_\_\_\_ly attacked by an enemy      *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
302. a silk h\_\_d      *n.* a covering for the head and neck, especially one attached to a garment
303. at\_\_\_\_\_de control      *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
304. common in\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 295. develop, 296. encounter, 297. mist, 298. trump, 299. fuss, 300. string, 301. suddenly, 302. hood, 303. attitude, 304. invention

305. re\_\_\_e a message      *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
306. ou\_\_\_\_ed technology      *adj.* no longer useful or valid because of being old-fashioned
307. a lily b\_\_b      *n.* a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball
308. ap\_\_\_\_e a measures      *v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.
309. cl\_\_\_\_y his feelings      *v.* to make something, such as a statement or situation, less confusing and more understandable
310. co\_\_\_\_de a meeting      *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
311. st\_\_\_\_rn attitude      *adj.* refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change
312. devastating cr\_\_\_\_ue      *n.* a detailed analysis or examination of something, especially a literary, philosophical, or political theory; an essay or article that gives a critical evaluation
313. the sy\_\_\_\_ic arteries      *adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

ANSWERS: 305. relate, 306. outdated, 307. bulb, 308. approve, 309. clarify, 310. conclude, 311. stubborn, 312. critique, 313. systemic

314. na\_\_\_e to Africa *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
315. deputy sh\_\_\_\_\_f *n.* (in the US) a government official who is responsible for keeping law and order within a particular county or town
316. far-right ra\_\_\_t *adj.* characterized by or showing discrimination or prejudice against people of other races; (noun) a person with a prejudiced belief that one racial group is superior to others
317. co\_\_\_\_\_al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
318. turn out to be all s\_\_m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
319. br\_\_\_l honesty *adj.* harsh or cruel
320. di\_\_\_\_\_ct difference *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
321. sto\_\_\_\_\_ing performance *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
322. sc\_\_\_\_\_r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
323. a convex l\_\_s *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

ANSWERS: 314. native, 315. sheriff, 316. racist, 317. communal, 318. sham, 319. brutal, 320. distinct, 321. storytelling, 322. scholar, 323. lens

324. sw\_\_\_\_ka symbol *n.* an ancient symbol consisting of a cross with arms bent at right angles, often used by cultures around the world as a symbol of good fortune or well-being, but more recently and unfortunately, associated with the Nazi party and its atrocities during World War II
325. with an unc\_\_\_\_\_ble face *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
326. cr\_\_\_\_al investigation *n.* a person who has committed a crime
327. the to\_\_h of learning *n.* a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle
328. traffic in\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
329. the imperial cr\_\_n *n.* a circular ornamental headdress, worn as a symbol of authority by a king, usually made of gold and precious stones
330. acquire an in\_\_\_\_\_us reputation *adj.* having a reputation for being very bad or wicked
331. un\_\_\_t verdict *adj.* not fair or equitable; lacking in justice or impartiality; morally unacceptable or wrong
332. co\_\_\_\_\_al style *adj.* of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony

ANSWERS: 324. swastika, 325. uncomfortable, 326. criminal, 327. torch, 328. incident, 329. crown, 330. infamous, 331. unjust, 332. colonial

333. co\_\_\_\_\_it behavior *adj.* involved in or responsible for a wrongful or unethical act, often through inaction or silence; in cooperation with another person or group
334. tr\_\_\_\_\_rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
335. pro\_\_\_\_\_ve development *adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one
336. stuff of science fi\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
337. built-in mic\_\_\_\_\_ne *n.* a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder
338. an unc\_\_\_\_\_ble silence *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
339. the f\_\_k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
340. b\_\_m of light *n.* a long, sturdy piece of timber, metal, or other material used to support a structure or span a distance; a ray or stream of light emitted by a source
341. mys\_\_\_\_\_ion of the public *n.* the act or process of making something difficult to understand or explain, often to deceive or manipulate
342. sl\_\_\_\_\_y labor *n.* the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work

ANSWERS: 333. complicit, 334. transform, 335. progressive, 336. fiction, 337. microphone, 338. uncomfortable, 339. folk, 340. beam, 341. mystification, 342. slavery

343. su\_\_\_\_or performance *adj.* better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others
344. the in\_\_\_\_\_on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
345. co\_\_\_\_\_ce an opponent *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
346. de\_\_\_\_\_d by elevator *v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood
347. false cl\_\_m *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
348. a race for su\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status
349. tr\_\_\_l culture *adj.* relating to a social group or tribe, especially a preliterate society
350. gr\_\_p his hand *v.* to take hold of something or someone quickly and firmly
351. jou\_\_\_\_\_st on a magazine *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
352. mys\_\_\_\_\_ion of the subject *n.* the act or process of making something difficult to understand or explain, often to deceive or manipulate

ANSWERS: 343. superior, 344. invention, 345. convince, 346. descend, 347. claim, 348. supremacy, 349. tribal, 350. grasp, 351. journalist, 352. mystification

353. ma\_\_\_\_\_re in the village      *n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals
354. a private ind\_\_\_\_\_al      *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
355. vi\_\_\_\_\_s attack      *adj.* having or showing a desire to cause harm to others; having the nature of vice
356. de\_\_\_e a question      *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
357. 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
358. criminal gu\_\_t      *n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
359. l\_\_p in the throat      *n.* a small, irregularly shaped mass or piece, typically of a soft substance such as coal, flour, or dough
360. per\_\_\_\_\_nt data      *adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time
361. vi\_\_\_\_\_e stars      *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view

ANSWERS: 353. massacre, 354. individual, 355. vicious, 356. decide, 357. poll, 358. guilt, 359. lump, 360. persistent, 361. visible



362. ra\_\_\_l prejudice *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
363. number of different sc\_\_\_\_\_ios *n.* a description of possible actions or events in the future; a written outline of a play, film, or literary work
364. br\_\_\_\_\_st a concert *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television

ANSWERS: 362. racial, 363. scenario, 364. broadcast

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ countries in the world often have the highest rates of malnutrition.  
*adj.* having the least wealth or resources
2. John Whitney was a computer animation \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
3. We should \_\_\_\_\_ the troops at the front line.  
*v.* to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger
4. The detectives found evidence that suggested the suspect acted as an \_\_\_\_\_ in the murder.  
*n.* a person who helps someone else commit a crime or wrongdoing; a partner or associate in a questionable or immoral activity
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ modified crops were resistant to pests and required less water.  
*adv.* in a way that relates to or is produced by genes (= the units in the cells of a living thing received by an animal or plant from its parents) or heredity
6. The sun's \_\_\_\_\_ shone through the window and illuminated the room.  
*n.* a long, sturdy piece of timber, metal, or other material used to support a structure or span a distance; a ray or stream of light emitted by a source
7. He stood to inherit a million-dollar \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a thing or things that belong to someone

ANSWERS: 1. poorest, 2. pioneer, 3. reinforce, 4. accomplice, 5. genetically, 6. beam, 7. property

8. We \_\_\_\_\_ a cease-fire.

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

9. She had the \_\_\_\_\_ that work was fun.

*n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something

10. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

*n.* the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

11. Historically, many countries have often \_\_\_\_\_ certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.

*v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

12. The youngster was \_\_\_\_\_ at by the beast.

*v.* to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else

13. We replaced \_\_\_\_\_ equipment to improve factory productivity.

*adj.* no longer useful or valid because of being old-fashioned

14. The president prepared several possible \_\_\_\_\_ for an enemy attack.

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

15. Infants and pregnant women are particularly \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

ANSWERS: 8. concluded, 9. attitude, 10. economy, 11. oppressed, 12. gazed, 13. outdated, 14. scenarios, 15. vulnerable

16. There are various hypotheses concerning the \_\_\_\_\_ of life.  
*n.* the first existence or beginning of something
17. The vegetation here is almost wholly \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
18. We were filled with \_\_\_\_\_ at the sight of the Queen.  
*n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
19. Despite the setbacks, he remained \_\_\_\_\_ in his pursuit of his dreams.  
*adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time
20. All those eligible will receive financial \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* giving money, food, or clothing to those who are poor or in need
21. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.  
*n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
22. Human rights groups condemned the \_\_\_\_\_ treatment of prisoners.  
*adj.* extremely brutal, savage, or cruel; uncivilized, primitive, or lacking refinement
23. The magician's tricks were a source of \_\_\_\_\_ for the audience.  
*n.* the act or process of making something difficult to understand or explain, often to deceive or manipulate
24. The city has a rich \_\_\_\_\_ history, with many historic buildings and landmarks.  
*adj.* of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony

ANSWERS: 16. origin, 17. native, 18. humility, 19. persistent, 20. handouts, 21. church, 22. barbarous, 23. mystification, 24. colonial

25. We should always be prepared to \_\_\_\_\_ talented recruits.

*v.* to give somebody a job

26. Suspicion and worry were \_\_\_\_\_ in our minds.

*adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place

27. The coach benched the star player after he broke a team rule, leaving him on the \_\_\_\_\_ for the entire game.

*n.* a secondary or less significant job, interest, or activity; a line on the side of a sports field that players must stay behind; (verb) to remove someone from their position or role, often temporarily or as a result of a setback or failure

28. The \_\_\_\_\_ at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

*n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

29. My boss wouldn't \_\_\_\_\_ of the plan.

*v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.

30. My remote \_\_\_\_\_ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

*n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather

31. He \_\_\_\_\_ that this investment would lead to success.

*v.* to form a theory or conjecture or guess about a subject without solid evidence

32. The \_\_\_\_\_ of water is called ice.

*adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

ANSWERS: 25. hire, 26. pervasive, 27. sideline, 28. incident, 29. approve, 30. ancestor, 31. speculated, 32. solid-state

33. His abusive words made me \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

34. The cops \_\_\_\_\_ him of being the killer.

*v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable

35. Her \_\_\_\_\_ to help others earned her many friends.

*n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something

36. 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.

37. I was able to \_\_\_\_\_ the moment on film.

*v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

38. Most of the programs are \_\_\_\_\_ in this area.

*v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television

39. The \_\_\_\_\_ approach to education emphasizes hands-on learning and student-centered classrooms.

*adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one

40. There was a vast \_\_\_\_\_ between the two tribes.

*n.* a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals

ANSWERS: 33. uncomfortable, 34. suspected, 35. willingness, 36. stroke, 37. capture, 38. broadcast, 39. progressive, 40. contest

41. Within six months, the research thesis became a \_\_\_\_\_ scientific paper.  
*adj.* attracting much attention and interest from the public and media
42. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in \_\_\_\_\_ class.  
*n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
43. Your \_\_\_\_\_ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.  
*n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
44. There's a new \_\_\_\_\_ of hero in the movies now.  
*n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
45. The national assembly has \_\_\_\_\_ the budget.  
*v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
46. The police tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the facts concerning her death.  
*v.* to make something, such as a statement or situation, less confusing and more understandable
47. The enslaved people were treated as \_\_\_\_\_ and had no rights or freedoms.  
*n.* personal property, especially that which is movable and not fixed to land
48. There's an \_\_\_\_\_ in the criminal justice system that needs to be addressed.  
*n.* a lack of fairness or justice; an unfair or unequal situation or practice

ANSWERS: 41. high-profile, 42. biology, 43. intellect, 44. brand, 45. adopted, 46. clarify, 47. chattel, 48. inequity

49. Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the \_\_\_\_\_ code.  
*adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
50. Her research team made an important \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
51. Hunters use a whistle that makes the \_\_\_\_ sound to lure stags.  
*n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
52. Following the \_\_\_\_\_ from the professor, students rewrite their essays and submit them for final evaluation.  
*n.* a detailed analysis or examination of something, especially a literary, philosophical, or political theory; an essay or article that gives a critical evaluation
53. My home is easily \_\_\_\_\_ from the shore.  
*adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
54. She wore a \_\_\_\_\_ of pearls around her neck.  
*n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
55. The Chinese people have accomplished several \_\_\_\_\_ feats.  
*adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
56. The doctor advised him to \_\_\_\_\_ down for a check.  
*v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

ANSWERS: 49. genetic, 50. discovery, 51. doe, 52. critique, 53. visible, 54. string, 55. historic, 56. strip



57. She received a year's imprisonment for aggravated \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
58. The \_\_\_\_\_ of innocent civilians in the war zone was a tragic event.
- n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals
59. Tourists frequently \_\_\_\_\_ the island's delicate natural balance.
- v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
60. The interviewer asked him to speak into the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder
61. Shame and \_\_\_\_\_ have significant social influences.
- n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
62. He looked for an opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_ that actor in public.
- v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
63. Necessity is the mother of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
64. Marketing strategies are growing more \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion

ANSWERS: 57. kidnapping, 58. massacre, 59. disturb, 60. microphone, 61. guilt, 62. embarrass, 63. invention, 64. sophisticated

65. He could not \_\_\_\_\_ against temptation.

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

66. She was \_\_\_\_\_ from an old Italian noble family.

- v. to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood

67. Her beauty \_\_\_\_\_ me completely.

- v. to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action

68. I am considering what I should do to \_\_\_\_\_ him.

- v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

69. There was a \_\_\_\_\_ about the broken vase, but it was quickly forgotten.

- n. a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance

70. The woods \_\_\_\_\_ the house.

- v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

71. Some seaweed was used as \_\_\_\_\_ medicine in ancient times.

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

72. In several countries, child \_\_\_\_\_ is a serious social problem.

- n. productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

ANSWERS: 65. struggle, 66. descended, 67. enslaved, 68. convince, 69. fuss, 70. embrace, 71. folk, 72. labor

73. The criminal decided to \_\_\_\_\_ another robbery despite his previous arrest.
- v.* to commit or carry out a harmful or illegal act, particularly one that involves violence or deception; to be responsible for the creation or continuation of a negative situation
74. The empire's military power ensured its \_\_\_\_\_ over the neighboring states.
- n.* the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status
75. Truth is stranger than \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
76. 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
77. The \_\_\_\_\_ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
- n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
78. \_\_\_\_\_ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
79. Please accept my \_\_\_\_\_ condolences on your friend's death.
- adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
80. 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

ANSWERS: 73. perpetrate, 74. supremacy, 75. fiction, 76. argue, 77. threat, 78. Communal, 79. sincere, 80. individual,

81. She was \_\_\_\_\_ by the strange behavior of her cat.

*adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something

82. We have finally lost our last \_\_\_\_\_.

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

83. You should not \_\_\_\_\_ the meaning of freedom.

*v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

84. The \_\_\_\_\_ suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.

*n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

85. She plans to study \_\_\_\_\_ in college and become a reporter.

*n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast

86. This region has many \_\_\_\_\_ offering higher education.

*n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

87. He was served with a \_\_\_\_\_ of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.

*n.* a written legal order or command

88. The ruling was considered \_\_\_\_\_ by many people in the community.

*adj.* not fair or equitable; lacking in justice or impartiality; morally unacceptable or wrong

ANSWERS: 81. puzzled, 82. prop, 83. misunderstand, 84. trump, 85. journalism, 86. institutes, 87. writ, 88. unjust

89. A great stretch of the lake lay \_\_\_\_\_ them.

*adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something

90. His \_\_\_\_\_ of the situation led him to make a poor decision.

*n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact

91. A lack of education can be a significant \_\_\_\_\_ in today's job market.

*n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position

92. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my \_\_\_\_\_.

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

93. 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

94. 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

95. My father's death \_\_\_\_\_ my life completely.

*v.* to change in outward structure or looks;

96. Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

97. The \_\_\_\_\_ torches added a festive touch to the outdoor party.

*n.* a carved wooden or stone statue or figurine in Polynesian art and culture, often depicting humanoid gods or ancestors

ANSWERS: 89. beneath, 90. ignorance, 91. disadvantage, 92. colleague, 93. encounter, 94. quo, 95. transformed, 96. smartphones, 97. tiki

98. The detective looked for fingerprints on the window \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
99. People with more \_\_\_\_\_ in their skin can better protect themselves from the sun's harmful rays.
- n.* a natural pigment found in the skin, hair, and eyes of animals, responsible for the color and tone of these features
100. A \_\_\_\_\_ audience viewed the broadcast.
- adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
101. The abandoned ship slowly began to \_\_\_\_\_ into the murky waters of the harbor.
- v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
102. New York is a city with a \_\_\_\_\_ ethnic population.
- adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
103. The \_\_\_\_\_ kept establishing order in the town.
- n.* (in the US) a government official who is responsible for keeping law and order within a particular county or town
104. The team conducted an \_\_\_\_\_ search for the missing hiker, but unfortunately, she was never found.
- adj.* comprehensive and thorough; totally complete; leaving no stone unturned
105. The main \_\_\_\_\_ from the meeting was the need for better communication.
- n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information

ANSWERS: 98. frame, 99. melanin, 100. vast, 101. sink, 102. diverse, 103. sheriff, 104. exhaustive, 105. takeaway

106. \_\_\_\_\_ based on race or ethnicity is illegal and unjust.
- n.* the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation
107. \_\_\_\_\_ and discrimination have no place in our society.
- n.* intolerance toward those who hold different opinions from oneself
108. You should work hard but not be a \_\_\_\_\_ to it.
- n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person
109. Can you \_\_\_\_\_ 123321 by eleven?
- v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
110. Their \_\_\_\_\_ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
- n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
111. She was able to \_\_\_\_\_ her argument in the debate clearly.
- v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
112. Your \_\_\_\_\_ reflects your thoughts.
- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
113. Who answers \_\_\_\_\_ knows little.
- adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
114. The following example \_\_\_\_\_ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 106. Segregation, 107. Bigotry, 108. slave, 109. divide, 110. religion, 111. articulate, 112. conversation, 113. suddenly, 114. assumes

115. 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

116. His \_\_\_\_\_ lack of enthusiasm was noticeable to everyone in the room.

*adj.* open, evident, or clear, especially in a way that is not intended to be secret

117. There is a small \_\_\_\_\_ on my neck, and I'm concerned about it.

*n.* a small, irregularly shaped mass or piece, typically of a soft substance such as coal, flour, or dough

118. Flight across the \_\_\_\_\_ was a daring adventure in its day.

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

119. Society tends to \_\_\_\_\_ people into different economic classes.

*v.* to arrange or divide into layers or strata based on characteristics such as social, economic, or cultural status

120. That company is cautious when it comes to \_\_\_\_\_ investment.

*n.* the value of the shares issued by a company

121. He pulled his waterproof \_\_\_\_\_ up to protect himself from the rain.

*n.* a covering for the head and neck, especially one attached to a garment

122. Could you help me \_\_\_\_\_ some furniture?

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

ANSWERS: 115. responsible, 116. overt, 117. lump, 118. continent, 119. stratify, 120. equity, 121. hood, 122. shift



123. She works at a recording \_\_\_\_\_ in Los Angeles.

*n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

124. The \_\_\_\_\_ attack left the victim with serious injuries.

*adj.* harsh or cruel

125. They have been living near water since \_\_\_\_\_ times.

*adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

126. Creating amazing shows requires constant \_\_\_\_\_ effort.

*adj.* seeming to have no end

127. The data he prepared was completely \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

128. The budget reduction was an \_\_\_\_\_ feat for our nation.

*adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill

129. Strategic \_\_\_\_\_ of cutting-edge technology would be a sure formula for success.

*n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful

130. She was skilled in \_\_\_\_\_ techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

*n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories

ANSWERS: 123. studio, 124. brutal, 125. ancient, 126. unending, 127. sham, 128. impressive, 129. exploitation, 130. storytelling

131. The sun has risen, and the \_\_\_\_\_ has faded.

- n.* a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water

132. She is still \_\_\_\_\_ from a shot to her shoulder.

- v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

133. The \_\_\_\_\_ protesters marched peacefully through the streets.

- adj.* without weapons or arms; not carrying any form of weapon or ammunition, or engaging in physical conflict with weapons

134. The salespeople speak in technical terms to \_\_\_\_\_ that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.

- v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it

135. He \_\_\_\_\_ agreed to help his neighbor move her furniture.

- adv.* in a manner that shows reluctance or unwillingness; with resentment or discontent

136. The old building had to be \_\_\_\_\_ because it was structurally unsound.

- v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment

137. The \_\_\_\_\_ by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

- n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

138. Scientific knowledge will \_\_\_\_\_ significantly with the power of AI.

- v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

ANSWERS: 131. mist, 132. recovering, 133. unarmed, 134. imply, 135. grudgingly, 136. dismantled, 137. revolution, 138. advance

139. The abolition of \_\_\_\_\_ in the United States was a major achievement in the fight for human rights.
- n.* the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work
140. 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
141. My memory will \_\_\_\_\_ but my heart will live on.
- v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
142. 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
143. I \_\_\_\_\_ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.
- v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
144. The terrorist's \_\_\_\_\_ remains unknown.
- n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
145. 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
146. This initiative will be a \_\_\_\_\_ for increasing company sales.
- n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily

ANSWERS: 139. slavery, 140. advantages, 141. fade, 142. polls, 143. mentioned, 144. identity, 145. claim, 146. lever

147. The use of the \_\_\_\_\_ sign during World War II has forever tarnished its once-positive connotations in many cultures.
- n.* an ancient symbol consisting of a cross with arms bent at right angles, often used by cultures around the world as a symbol of good fortune or well-being, but more recently and unfortunately, associated with the Nazi party and its atrocities during World War II
148. The police are searching for the \_\_\_\_\_ who stole the jewels.
- n.* a person who has committed a crime
149. A minor \_\_\_\_\_ conflict later led to a civil war.
- adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
150. He was impressed by the range and \_\_\_\_\_ of the collection.
- n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
151. The new smartphone model is \_\_\_\_\_ to the previous version in terms of speed and features.
- adj.* better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others
152. The school's lack of diversity was a clear indication of the \_\_\_\_\_ present in the community.
- n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized
153. The professor's scathing comments left the student with a sense of \_\_\_\_\_ about their work.
- n.* the state or condition of being lower in rank, quality, or status; a feeling or sense of being less worthy or capable than others

ANSWERS: 147. swastika, 148. criminal, 149. racial, 150. diversity, 151. superior, 152. racism, 153. inferiority

154. The light \_\_\_\_\_ has burned out.

- n.* a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball

155. 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

156. They spent a lot of time trying to \_\_\_\_\_ the current situation.

- v.* to take hold of something or someone quickly and firmly

157. This vaccine causes mild \_\_\_\_\_ side effects.

- adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

158. She pulled her wallet out of her \_\_\_\_\_ to pay for the groceries.

- n.* a small bag or purse usually carried in a pocket or worn on the wrist or shoulder for carrying money and other small personal items; a book or guide that contains information or tips on a particular subject, such as travel or fashion

159. The coffee producers in \_\_\_\_\_ countries are at the sharp end of fluctuations in price.

- adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert

160. 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: 154. bulb, 155. develop, 156. grasp, 157. systemic, 158. pocketbook, 159. sub-Saharan, 160. relate

161. They finally found the \_\_\_\_\_ of the bug after a long time.

*n.* someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing

162. She used an electric \_\_\_\_\_ to light her way through the dark cave.

*n.* a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle

163. This business yields little \_\_\_\_\_.

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

164. It is essential to keep these two issues \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type

165. The \_\_\_\_\_ dog barked and growled at anyone who came near its territory.

*adj.* having or showing a desire to cause harm to others; having the nature of vice

166. 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

167. The bishop bestowed the golden \_\_\_\_\_ on the king.

*n.* a circular ornamental headdress, worn as a symbol of authority by a king, usually made of gold and precious stones

168. The \_\_\_\_\_ criminal was finally brought to justice.

*adj.* having a reputation for being very bad or wicked

ANSWERS: 161. culprit, 162. torch, 163. profit, 164. distinct, 165. vicious, 166. journalists, 167. crown, 168. infamous

169. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
170. He was so \_\_\_\_\_ about his beliefs that he refused to listen to any other points of view.
- adj.* refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change
171. The accomplice was \_\_\_\_\_ in the crime committed by her partner.
- adj.* involved in or responsible for a wrongful or unethical act, often through inaction or silence; in cooperation with another person or group
172. This jigsaw \_\_\_\_\_ is challenging because there are no pictures.
- n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand
173. The \_\_\_\_\_ leaders gathered for a summit to discuss important issues.
- adj.* relating to a social group or tribe, especially a preliterate society
174. The photographer took this photo using a telephoto \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
175. He won an award for that short \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents

ANSWERS: 169. scholar, 170. stubborn, 171. complicit, 172. puzzle, 173. tribal, 174. lens, 175. documentary

176. You should not \_\_\_\_\_ against minorities.

- v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

177. 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

178. The new employee's work was \_\_\_\_\_ to that of the experienced workers in the team.

- adj.* lower in rank, status, or quality

179. The \_\_\_\_\_ comments made by the politician caused widespread condemnation.

- adj.* characterized by or showing discrimination or prejudice against people of other races; (noun) a person with a prejudiced belief that one racial group is superior to others

180. The \_\_\_\_\_ events of the war left many families torn apart.

- adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

181. Our \_\_\_\_\_ was the most downloaded in the technology news genre this year.

- n.* a radio program made available in digital format that you can download from the Internet and play on a computer or music player

182. 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

ANSWERS: 176. discriminate, 177. decide, 178. inferior, 179. racist, 180. tragic, 181. podcast, 182. movement



ANSWERS: