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Session 1: Word List

- gay** *adj.* homosexual; happy, carefree
synonym : cheerful, lively, joyful
(1) **gay** couple, (2) **gay** rights
The **gay** pride parade was a celebration of diversity and acceptance.
- probable** *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
synonym : likely, possible, potential
(1) **probable** outcome, (2) **probable** cause of a fire
It seems **probable** that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
- orientation** *n.* a person's basic attitudes, beliefs, and preferences about particular things; a course introducing a new situation or environment
synonym : direction, introduction, frontage
(1) sexual **orientation**, (2) the school **orientation**
There will be an **orientation** lecture for new students this afternoon.
- refer** *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
synonym : cite, allude, mention

(1) **refer** to a book, (2) **refer** to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

dime

n. an American or Canadian coin worth one-tenth of a dollar

(1) **dime** store, (2) behind a **dime**

He never received a **dime**, even from the company of a close friend.

creditor

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

opposing

adj. competing, fighting, or working against each other

synonym: disagreeing, dissenting, conflicting

(1) **opposing** counsel, (2) in an **opposing** direction

We have no intention of **opposing** his idea.

motivation

n. the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way

synonym: inspiration, incentive, reason

(1) understand his **motivation**, (2) **motivation** for a change

A significant amount of **motivation** is required to be a teacher.

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**.

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.

offend

v. to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed
synonym: insult, hurt, anger

(1) **offend** his sensibilities, (2) **offend** a customer
His rude comments **offended** many people at the party.

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.

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.

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
synonym: implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk
The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

obligation

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

synonym: burden, commitment, debt

(1) a deep **obligation**, (2) pay an **obligation**
You are under no **obligation** to finish the job.

- suit** *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
synonym : clothes, lawsuit, (verb) fit
(1) **suit** and tie restaurant, (2) **suit** at law
Six **suits** are awaiting trial or verdict.
- tight** *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
synonym : closed, secured, cramped
(1) a **tight** game, (2) student on a **tight** budget
The national election was held amid **tight** security.
- pageant** *n.* a public spectacle or display, often involving colorful costumes, music, and elaborate sets; a contest in which people participate, often involving a parade, talent show, or beauty competition
synonym : parade, spectacle, show
(1) **pageant** queen, (2) national **pageant**
The beauty **pageant** contestants all looked stunning in their gowns.
- 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.
- drag** *v.* to pull or haul with force
synonym : haul, pull, draw
(1) **drag** a chair over, (2) **drag** a team down
He **dragged** the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.
- routine** *n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program
synonym : habit, custom, procedure

(1) **routine** business, (2) a built-in diagnostic **routine**
She studies gardening on a **routine** basis.

judge

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

synonym: arbiter, justice, (verb) deduce

(1) **judge** a competition, (2) an associate **judge**

The strict **judge** ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

confirm

v. to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

synonym: affirm, verify, assure

(1) **confirm** the diagnosis, (2) **confirm** a transaction

Please write to **confirm** your reservation.

shocking

adj. extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust

synonym: startling, surprising, astounding

(1) **shocking** response, (2) **shocking** revelation

The news of the accident was **shocking** and left many in shock.

scared

adj. afraid or frightened

synonym: frightened, fearful, dreading

(1) **scared** all the time, (2) **scared** dog

I'm **scared** of insects.

grant

v. to agree to give or allow somebody

synonym: allocate, authorize, give

(1) **grant** a new license, (2) **grant** a land

The chairperson **granted** him the right to speak.

horrify

v. to shock or disgust greatly

synonym: shock, dismay, terrify

(1) **horrify** audience, (2) **horrify** victims

The series of terrorist attacks **horrify** the entire nation.

harry

v. to persistently harass, badger, or bother someone or something; to persistently attack or pursue an opposing force or target

synonym : bother, pester, annoy

(1) **harry** the ship all night, (2) **harry** a suspect

I need to **harry** my coworkers to finish the project on time.

potter

n. a person who makes pottery, objects that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable; (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind

synonym : shape, form, mold

(1) **potter's** studio, (2) **potter** around in the garden

The ancient Egyptians were skilled **potters** and left behind many beautiful artifacts.

costume

n. a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation

synonym : attire, garb, outfit

(1) **costume** party, (2) **costume** change

She wore a beautiful **costume** for the play.

scar

n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

synonym : blemish, imperfection, blotch

(1) burn **scar**, (2) carry a **scar**

Even after the wound has healed, a **scar** remains.

forehead

n. the part of the face above the eyebrows and below the hairline; the upper part of the face that extends from the eyes to the hairline

synonym : brow, frontal bone, temple

(1) **forehead** wrinkles, (2) kiss on the **forehead**

The athlete had sweat dripping down her **forehead** after the

intense workout.

outfit

n. a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.

synonym: ensemble, set, suit

(1) camping **outfit**, (2) a construction **outfit**

I need to buy a new **outfit** for the wedding I'm attending next weekend.

tap

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

synonym: knock, exploit, use

(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger

To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.

necessarily

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

synonym: inevitable, certainly, automatically

(1) not **necessarily** a problem, (2) **necessarily** true

This accident was something that happened **necessarily**.

peer

n. a person who has the same age, status, or ability

synonym: fellow, associate, counterpart

(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review

Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.

whisper

v. to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

synonym: murmur, rumor, mutter

(1) answer in a **whisper**, (2) the **whisper** of the leaves

He took me aside and **whispered** in my ear.

rumor

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

synonym : gossip, whisper, talk

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

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

slur

v. to speak about someone or something in a way that is insulting, derogatory, or libelous; to damage or smear a person's reputation by making false or defamatory statements

synonym : defame, slander, denigrate

(1) **slur** a drink, (2) **slur** his reputation

He shouldn't be allowed to **slur** people based on race or sexuality.

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.

detect

v. to find or recognize something, especially something difficult to see, hear, etc.

synonym : catch, observe, notice

(1) **detect** a bad event, (2) **detect** smuggling across borders

The security camera has **detected** four intruders.

honor

n. high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality;
(verb) to show respect towards someone

synonym : integrity, virtue, acclaim

(1) womanly **honor**, (2) **honor** our ancestors

I claim on my **honor** that it is true.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym : abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**
Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

deliberate

adj. done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident

synonym : intentional, planned, careful

(1) the **deliberate** act of provocation, (2) **deliberate** attempt
Despite its advanced science and technology, the empire was **deliberate** about invasion.

crack

v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

synonym : snap, burst, break

(1) **crack** an eggshell, (2) a **crack** in a board
He that would eat the kernel must **crack** the nut.

insult

n. a remark or action that causes offense or disrespect; (verb) to treat, mention, or speak to rudely

synonym : affront, slight, offense

(1) an intentional **insult**, (2) **insult** each other
His **insult** toward her was unacceptable and resulted in his being fired.

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.

motivate

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

synonym : boost, encourage, inspire

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

navigate

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

synonym: guide, helm, voyage

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

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

norm

n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

critic

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

synonym: pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

expend

v. to use or spend time, money, energy, etc.

synonym: disburse, spend, pay

(1) **expend** a great deal of energy, (2) **expend** time and resources

Billionaires tend to **expend** private funds on a public undertaking.

creative

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

synonym: imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

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.

vocabulary

n. the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

synonym: lexicon, glossary, dictionary

(1) **vocabulary** list, (2) academic **vocabulary**

Using proper **vocabulary** is essential for writing a good essay.

hormone

n. a chemical substance made by organs that encourages or influences the development, growth, sex, etc., of an animal and is carried around the body in the blood

(1) **hormone** secretion, (2) female **hormone**

The doctor diagnosed me with a **hormone** disorder.

introductory

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

synonym: beginning, preliminary, initial

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

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

debate

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

synonym: argument, discussion, dispute

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

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

apologetic

adj. feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something

synonym : sorry, regretful, remorseful

(1) **apologetic** tone, (2) **apologetic** letter

He was **apologetic** for being late to the meeting.

dedicate

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

synonym : consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

worship

v. to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god

synonym : adore, idolize

(1) **worship** god, (2) absolutely **worship**

They traditionally **worship** their guru.

hilarious

adj. extremely funny

synonym : funny, comical, amusing

(1) **hilarious** mistake, (2) a **hilarious** anecdote

The comedian's stand-up routine was **hilarious**.

slightly

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

synonym : barely, narrowly, scarcely

(1) increase **slightly**, (2) **slightly** alkaline soils

He moved his body **slightly** to the left.

overweight

adj. weighing more than is considered normal, desirable, or healthy for a particular height and build

synonym : heavy, obese, fat

(1) dangerously **overweight**, (2) an **overweight** patient

The doctor advised him to lose weight and maintain a healthy

diet to avoid becoming **overweight**.

Jewish

adj. of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

synonym : Judaic

(1) **Jewish** history, (2) **Jewish** culture

My friend is a **Jewish** woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

apologize

v. to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem

synonym : excuse, justify, atone

(1) **apologize** for being late, (2) **apologize** ahead of time

I **apologize** for neglecting your email.

methamphetamine

n. (commonly known as "meth" or "crystal meth") a powerful and highly addictive stimulant drug that affects the central nervous system

synonym : meth, crystal

(1) **methamphetamine** addiction, (2) fatal

methamphetamine overdose

The use of **methamphetamine** has been linked to several mental health disorders.

lab

n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

synonym : workshop, laboratory, research chamber

(1) **lab** instrument, (2) medical **lab**

The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's **lab**.

clarification

n. the act or process of making a statement or situation less confusing and more understandable; the act of removing solid particles from a liquid

synonym : explanation, description, resolution

(1) **clarification** of the issue, (2) sewage **clarification**

For **clarification** of the discussion, he prepared supporting

materials.

addict

n. a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful

synonym : devotee, buff, freak

(1) a drug **addict**, (2) Internet **addict**

We have become TV **addicts** due to video streaming services.

trail

n. a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind

synonym : footpath, track, course

(1) a warm **trail**, (2) follow the **trail**

The storm left a **trail** of destruction behind it.

laboratory

n. a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab

synonym : lab, workshop, testing room

(1) **laboratory** accident, (2) anthropology **laboratory**

Animal protection groups call for an end to animal testing in a **laboratory**.

mentor

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

synonym : adviser, coach, tutor

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

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

engage

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

synonym : confront, employ, amuse

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

(2) **engage** a new employee

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

submit

v. to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration

synonym : hand in, present, propose

(1) agree to **submit** the bill, (2) **submit** an application

Please **submit** the assignment to me.

prestigious

adj. having a high reputation or status; respected or honored; widely recognized as being of high quality or importance

synonym : esteemed, renowned, eminent

(1) **prestigious** award, (2) **prestigious** event

The academy is known for its **prestigious** faculty and rigorous curriculum.

accent

n. a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance

synonym : articulation, inflection, pronunciation

(1) a foreign **accent**, (2) put the **accent** on comfort

She has a thick southern **accent**.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym : acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

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.

context

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

meaning

synonym: background, setting, environment

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

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

stonewall

v. to refuse to answer questions or provide information; to delay discussion or decision

synonym: obstruct, block, impede

(1) **stonewall** the investigation, (2) **stonewall** their attempts

The government **stonewalled** the opposition party's efforts to access information about the project.

inn

n. a small hotel or lodging establishment typically located in a rural area, often serving food and drink as well as lodging

synonym: tavern, hostel, lodge

(1) **inn's** lounge, (2) seaside **inn**

We stayed at a cozy **inn** during our road trip.

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.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

synonym: example, sample, illustration

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

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

acknowledged

adj. recognized or admitted as being true or valid

synonym: recognized, accepted, admitted

(1) **acknowledged** beauty, (2) publicly **acknowledged** truth
His **acknowledged** expertise in the field earned him the respect of his peers.

damage

v. to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity

synonym : harm, impair, injure

(1) **damage** a relationship, (2) **damage** assessment

During the surgery, the doctor had to be extremely cautious not to **damage** a blood vessel.

effeminate

adj. having qualities or characteristics traditionally associated with women, especially delicacy, softness, and a lack of strength or assertiveness

synonym : unmanly, delicate, soft

(1) **effeminate** gestures, (2) **effeminate** voice

His **effeminate** mannerisms made others question his masculinity.

queer

adj. strange or odd, typically in an interesting or attractive way

synonym : strange, odd, unusual

(1) **queer** money, (2) **queer** fashion

The behavior of the clown at the party was quite **queer**.

brick

n. a rectangular block of baked clay used as a building material

synonym : block, tile, paver

(1) **brick** wall, (2) dressed **brick**

The wall was made of hard **bricks** that had been used for centuries.

punch

v. to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something

synonym : hit, strike, slap

(1) **punch** out numbers, (2) **punch** a ticket

He **punched** the wall in anger.

exposed

adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

synonym : endangered, revealed, disclosed

(1) **exposed** to radiation, (2) an **exposed** rock

Tech companies often employ **exposed** ducts and other materials in their office interiors.

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym : resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

giant

adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

synonym : big, gigantic, huge

(1) **giant** trees, (2) **giant** tech company

The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

influence

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

synonym : power, leverage, effect

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

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

vow

v. to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn

synonym : promise, pledge, swear

(1) **vow** allegiance to the new king, (2) **vow** never to give up

They **vowed** to love and support each other for the rest of their lives.

administrator

n. a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises

synonym : manager, executive, supervisor

(1) school **administrator**, (2) network **administrator**

The university's **administrator** announced new policies regarding campus safety.

homophobia

n. a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

synonym : prejudice, discrimination, bigotry

(1) **homophobia** awareness, (2) **homophobia** in sports

The politician's remarks about same-sex marriage revealed his deep-seated **homophobia**.

pushback

n. resistance, opposition, or an adverse reaction to a plan, idea, or proposal; a deliberate effort to resist, challenge, or oppose external pressure or influence; (verb) to resist or object to a proposal, idea, or plan

synonym : resistance, opposition, objection

(1) political **pushback**, (2) social **pushback**

The **pushback** from the community on the proposed policy change was intense and widespread.

defend

v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

synonym : protect, guard, support

(1) **defend** my country, (2) **defend** against a threat

International law allows each nation to **defend** itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.

publicly

adv. in a manner accessible to or observable by the public;
by the government

synonym : candidly, openly, honestly

(1) **publicly** accessible record, (2) **publicly** financed schools

She **publicly** denounced the government's mishandling of the economic crisis.

decision

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

synonym : choice, determination, judgment

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

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

disappoint

v. to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations;
to make someone feel sad

synonym : sadden, dismay, frustrate

(1) **disappoint** the audience, (2) don't **disappoint** me

She worked very hard not to **disappoint** her boss's expectations.

revolve

v. to rotate around a central point

synonym : rotate, spin, orbit

(1) **revolve** at high speed, (2) **revolve** around a central axis

The Earth **revolves** around the Sun in an elliptical orbit.

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.

unlikely

adj. not probable or likely to happen

synonym : doubtful, questionable, far-fetched

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

game

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

identify

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

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

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

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

exclusive

adj. not divided or shared with others

synonym: sole, deluxe, limited

(1) **exclusive** authority, (2) **exclusive** clubs

The condo offers **exclusive** access to the beach.

modern

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

synonym: contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre-**modern** agricultural society

Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

ignore

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

synonym: neglect, disregard, shun

(1) **ignore** her advice, (2) **ignore** a ban

Since independence, the area has been completely **ignored**.

mainstream

n. the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people

synonym: prevailing, average, common

(1) join the **mainstream**, (2) **mainstream** political beliefs

His thinking is **mainstream** in the country's culture.

convert

v. to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action

synonym: alter, remake, transform

(1) **convert** fat into energy, (2) **convert** base 10 to base 16

I want to **convert** my sadness into strength.

radical

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

synonym : extreme, revolutionary

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

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

implication

n. something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something

synonym : suggestion, association, conclusion

(1) the **implication** in a crime, (2) the **implication** of a word

His poem has a very significant **implication**.

infection

n. a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body

synonym : contagion, disease, transmission

(1) a bacterial **infection**, (2) treat the **infection** with antibiotics

Hospitals must meet various standards to prevent nosocomial **infections**.

disease

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

synonym : illness, ailment, affliction

(1) **disease** prevention, (2) **disease** control

The doctor diagnosed him with a rare **disease** that had no known cure.

infect

v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

synonym : pollute, contaminate, affect

(1) **infect** other animal species, (2) **infect** a computer with a virus

Children often **infect** parents with this head cold.

unacceptably

adv. in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory
synonym : improperly, unsatisfactorily, inadequately

(1) **unacceptably** high prices, (2) **unacceptably** poor
The restaurant's service was **unacceptably** slow.

debt

n. something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
synonym : liability, obligation, deficit

(1) **debt** ceiling, (2) corporate **debt**
He became in **debt** after losing his job.

novice

n. a person who is new to a particular activity or experience; a beginner or learner
synonym : beginner, freshman, apprentice

(1) chess **novice**, (2) **novice** lawyer
The **novice** coder had a difficult time debugging their program.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily
synonym : regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**
The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

ruin

v. to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
synonym : bankrupt, demolish, destroy

(1) **ruin** the plan, (2) **ruin** the reputation
He knocked over the red wine and **ruined** the tablecloth.

eventually

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
synonym : finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed
The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco

business.

nation

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

championship

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

synonym: crown, title, contest

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

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

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

bush

n. a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root

synonym: copse, scrub, brushwood

(1) trees and **bushes**, (2) a **bush** of hair

I am going to trim this **bush** off.

institutionalize

v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

synonym: formalize, establish, regularize

(1) **institutionalize** a system, (2) **institutionalize** customary laws

The new policy aims to **institutionalize** the use of renewable energy sources.

academic

adj. associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills

synonym : educational, scholarly, theoretical

(1) **academic** probation, (2) an **academic** discussion

An excellent historian must possess an **academic** mentality.

Catholic

adj. universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

(1) **catholic** in his tastes, (2) the **Catholic** Church

Sociologists are now interested in **catholic** world peace.

victory

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

synonym : win, triumph, success

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

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

graduate

n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

synonym : alumna, alum, grad

(1) **graduate** degree program, (2) honor **graduate**

Many employers hire **graduate** trainees to train as managers.

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.

affiliated

adj. being associated with or connected to a larger organization, group, or system

synonym : connected, associated, allied

(1) **affiliated** bank, (2) a foreign- **affiliated** job

He is in charge of communication with overseas **affiliated**

companies.

prospect

n. the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals

synonym: hope, possibility, expectation

(1) **prospect** for gold, (2) job **prospects**

The **prospect** of starting a new business can be both exciting and daunting.

violent

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

synonym: aggressive, intense, turbulent

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

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

contend

v. to struggle to win or surmount something

synonym: compete, oppose, argue

(1) **contend** that tobacco is nonaddictive, (2) **contend** for a championship

Tobacco companies have long **contended** that their product is not addictive.

wisdom

n. the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions

synonym: sagacity, discernment, insight

(1) a fountain of **wisdom**, (2) **wisdom** literature

The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's **wisdom**.

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.

deny

v. to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

synonym : refute, reject, repudiate

(1) adamantly **deny** killing, (2) **deny** the allegations

He is still **denying** stealing the money from the cash register.

assimilate

v. to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate

synonym : absorb, incorporate, integrate

(1) **assimilate** into society, (2) **assimilate** a language

The immigrant struggled to **assimilate** into the new culture.

advocacy

n. the act of supporting or promoting a particular cause or point of view, often through public campaigning or lobbying

synonym : support, promotion, defense

(1) **advocacy** group, (2) consumer **advocacy** group

The group engages in **advocacy** through lobbying and campaigning for policy changes.

jean

n. a sturdy cotton twill fabric, typically blue, used for jeans and other clothing

synonym : denim, cotton, pants

(1) a **jean** skirt, (2) **jean** denim

She wore her favorite pair of **jeans** to the party.

lesbian

n. a woman who is attracted romantically and sexually to other women

synonym : gay woman, female homosexual, tribade

(1) **lesbian** love, (2) **lesbian** relationship

The **lesbian** couple was denied the right to marry due to the

conservative laws in their state.

acronym

n. a word formed from the first letter of each word in a phrase, such as NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) or AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome)

synonym: abbreviation, initialism, shortcut

(1) **acronym** definition, (2) use an **acronym**

RADAR is an **acronym** for radio detection and ranging.

plaintiff

n. a person or entity that brings a legal action against someone else in a court of law; the person or party that is bringing a lawsuit

synonym: complainant, accuser, suer

(1) **plaintiff** attorney, (2) **plaintiff** testimony

The **plaintiff** in the case is seeking damages for the wrongful termination of his employment.

lawsuit

n. a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered

synonym: suit, legal action, litigation

(1) **lawsuit** settlement, (2) file a **lawsuit**

The company is facing a **lawsuit** for its alleged discrimination against employees.

sue

v. to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress

synonym: accuse, plead, file

(1) **sue** a company for damages, (2) **sue** my boss for harassment

He planned to **sue** the organization for negligence.

settle

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

synonym: inhabit, occupy, decide

(1) **settle** a dispute, (2) **settle** down in the town

I don't want to **settle** for second best.

pride

n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

synonym : vanity, conceit, egotism

(1) **pride** of a company, (2) hide his **pride**

She took great **pride** in her work, always striving for perfection.

commitment

n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

synonym : burden, obligation, promise

(1) a **commitment** to an alliance, (2) meet his **commitments**

His business **commitments** took him to the United States.

basis

n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

synonym : foundation, base, ground

(1) on an equal **basis**, (2) **basis** for calculation

This evidence will form the **basis** for our discussion.

anguish

n. severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony

synonym : distress, torment, agony

(1) **anguish** and pain, (2) emotional **anguish**

She suffered from a deep sense of **anguish** following the loss of her loved one.

faith

n. complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

synonym : belief, trust, confidence

(1) religious **faith**, (2) **faith** in government

He kept his robust **faith** in his company.

demonstration

n. a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others

synonym : manifestation, presentation, show

(1) **demonstration** project, (2) a campus **demonstration**
Thousands of people attended the protest **demonstration**
against the proposed policy.

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.

bias

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

synonym: inclination, partiality, predilection

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

She researched gender **bias** in politics.

restart

v. to start something again, especially after a pause or
interruption

synonym: continue, resume, begin anew

(1) **restart** a game, (2) **restart** a nuclear reactor

She tried to **restart** the conversation after the awkward
silence.

baptize

v. to make someone officially a member of the Christian
Church by baptism (= a form of Christian ritual
purification)

synonym: purify, immerse

(1) **baptize** a baby, (2) **baptize** with water

The priest **baptized** my father on his deathbed.

gown

n. a long, flowing garment worn on formal occasions,
especially by women

synonym: dress, robe, garment

(1) a judge's **gown**, (2) **gown** for the prom

She looked stunning in her long, flowing **gown** at the formal event.

blame

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

synonym: condemn, rebuke, find fault with

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

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

contribution

n. the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause

synonym: donation, gift, offering

(1) make a positive **contribution**, (2) **contribution** to society

His **contribution** to the charity was a generous donation of money.

privilege

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

synonym: benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership

In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

tackle

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

synonym: deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change

The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

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.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym: apparent, conspicuous, evident

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

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

opposition

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

synonym: resistance, hostility, antagonism

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

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

deem

v. to consider or decide something in a particular way

synonym: believe, consider, suppose

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

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

superlative

adj. of the highest degree, quality, or intensity; surpassing all others, used to describe comparisons that are extreme or the highest in a particular category

synonym: excellent, exceptional, supreme

(1) **superlative** quality, (2) **superlative** achievement

The restaurant's exotic dishes received **superlative** reviews from food critics.

overview

n. a general description or summary of a subject

synonym: outline, summary, recap

(1) give an **overview**, (2) **overview** of recent trends

A well-known analyst described the market **overview** in the

morning session.

résumé

n. a summary of a person's education, work experience, and qualifications, often used in job applications as a way to showcase their skills and achievements

synonym : summary, outline, recap

(1) **résumé** template, (2) professional **résumé**

You need to update your **résumé** before submitting it for the job application.

interrogate

v. to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner

synonym : question, examine, probe

(1) **interrogate** an enemy soldier, (2) **interrogated** by police

The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately **interrogate** the witness.

refuse

v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

synonym : turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

session

n. a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

synonym : conference, gathering

(1) the morning **session**, (2) the court **session**

Parliament is now in **session**.

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.

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.

donation

n. a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them

synonym : contribution, gift, subsidy

(1) make a **donation**, (2) political **donation**

He made a generous **donation** to the charity.

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

synonym : banking, investment, fund

(1) **finance** act, (2) manage my **finances**

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in **finance**.

irreconcilable

adj. unable to be resolved or made compatible; not able to be in harmony or agreement due to fundamental differences or conflicts

synonym : irresolvable, intractable, uncompromising

(1) **irreconcilable** differences, (2) **irreconcilable** conflict

The opposing sides in the debate held **irreconcilable** views.

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym : mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

trailblazing

adj. pioneering; innovative; the action of blazing a trail or creating a path for others to follow

synonym :

pioneering, innovative, groundbreaking

(1) **trailblazing** technology, (2) **trailblazing** approach

The **trailblazing** scientist paved the way for future research in the field.

complacency

n. a feeling of self-satisfaction or contentment, often resulting in a lack of motivation to improve or address problems

synonym: self-satisfaction, smugness, satisfaction

(1) dangerous **complacency**, (2) avoid **complacency**

The team's **complacency** led to their defeat, as they didn't put in the effort needed to win the game.

straight

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

synonym: linear, honest, consecutive

(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months

He was sick for five **straight** days.

authentic

adj. known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy

synonym: genuine, bona fide, original

(1) an **authentic** signature, (2) the sets were meticulously **authentic**

The stages of the play were meticulously **authentic**

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.

homeless

adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets

synonym: destitute, displaced, transient

(1) **homeless** shelter, (2) a **homeless** cat

He became **homeless** after losing his job.

murder

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally
synonym : slaying, killing

(1) **murder** in the second degree, (2) attempted **murder**
This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

abide

v. to accept or tolerate something or to act in accordance with a rule, decision, recommendation, etc.; to remain in a particular state or condition
synonym : reside, dwell, live

(1) **abide** by a contract, (2) **abide** in the same place
They must **abide** by the rules set by the governing body.

brutality

n. the quality or state of being cruel or savage
synonym : cruelty, ferocity, savagery

(1) military **brutality**, (2) **brutality** against civilians
The protesters were outraged by the police **brutality** they witnessed at the demonstration.

voter

n. a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election
synonym : elector, citizen

(1) an eligible **voter**, (2) **voter** apathy
The election administration nullified the election results because of **voter** fraud.

Session 2: Spelling

1. security in _____nt
n. an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
2. not nec_____ly a problem
adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
3. honor gr_____te
n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
4. irr_____ble differences
adj. unable to be resolved or made compatible; not able to be in harmony or agreement due to fundamental differences or conflicts
5. barren of cr_____ve spirit
adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
6. co_____e party
n. a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation
7. ig___e her advice
v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
8. sc___d dog
adj. afraid or frightened
9. student on a ti__t budget
adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
10. manage my fi_____es
n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

ANSWERS: 1. incident, 2. necessarily, 3. graduate, 4. irreconcilable, 5. creative, 6. costume, 7. ignore, 8. scared, 9. tight, 10. finance

11. br__k wall *n.* a rectangular block of baked clay used as a building material
12. mai_____am political beliefs *n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
13. pr__e of a company *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
14. gi__t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
15. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
16. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
17. join the mai_____am *n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
18. 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
19. sy___l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else

ANSWERS: 11. brick, 12. mainstream, 13. pride, 14. giant, 15. debate, 16. tap, 17. mainstream, 18. movement, 19. symbol

20. it is un____ly that he would win the game *adj.* not probable or likely to happen
21. a selfish de____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
22. achieve the hi____ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
23. a construction ou____t *n.* a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.
24. re____t a nuclear reactor *v.* to start something again, especially after a pause or interruption
25. 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
26. lab____ry accident *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
27. an intentional in____t *n.* a remark or action that causes offense or disrespect; (verb) to treat, mention, or speak to rudely
28. no____e lawyer *n.* a person who is new to a particular activity or experience; a beginner or learner
29. pr____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
30. chess no____e *n.* a person who is new to a particular activity or experience; a beginner or learner

ANSWERS: 20. unlikely, 21. decision, 22. historic, 23. outfit, 24. restart, 25. embrace, 26. laboratory, 27. insult, 28. novice, 29. probable, 30. novice

31. the del_____te act of provocation *adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident
32. re_____e at high speed *v.* to rotate around a central point
33. di_____e prevention *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
34. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
35. bl__e the lack of knowledge *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
36. 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
37. 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
38. ba_____e with water *v.* to make someone officially a member of the Christian Church by baptism (= a form of Christian ritual purification)
39. ho_____e secretion *n.* a chemical substance made by organs that encourages or influences the development, growth, sex, etc., of an animal and is carried around the body in the blood

ANSWERS: 31. deliberate, 32. revolve, 33. disease, 34. president, 35. blame, 36. develop, 37. sham, 38. baptize, 39. hormone

40. po___r around in the garden *n.* a person who makes pottery, objects that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable; (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind
41. meet his com_____nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
42. re__r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
43. s__t and tie restaurant *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
44. re__r to a map *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
45. product int_____ory sale *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
46. a cr__k in a board *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
47. da___e a relationship *v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity

ANSWERS: 40. potter, 41. commitment, 42. refer, 43. suit, 44. refer, 45. introductory, 46. crack, 47. damage

48. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
49. a breach of pr_____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
50. 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
51. pr_____ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
52. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
53. sh_____ng response *adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust
54. pl_____ff attorney *n.* a person or entity that brings a legal action against someone else in a court of law; the person or party that is bringing a lawsuit
55. in___t other animal species *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
56. le_____n relationship *n.* a woman who is attracted romantically and sexually to other women
57. pl_____ff testimony *n.* a person or entity that brings a legal action against someone else in a court of law; the person or party that is bringing a lawsuit

ANSWERS: 48. nation, 49. privilege, 50. crown, 51. privilege, 52. unfortunately, 53. shocking, 54. plaintiff, 55. infect, 56. lesbian, 57. plaintiff

58. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
59. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
60. in___t each other *n.* a remark or action that causes offense or disrespect; (*v.*) to treat, mention, or speak to rudely
61. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
62. a ho_____ss cat *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
63. de_____te a chapter to the subject *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
64. na_____te through a document *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
65. an_____h and pain *n.* severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony
66. mo_____te the students *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
67. absolutely wo_____p *v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god

ANSWERS: 58. recognize, 59. engage, 60. insult, 61. conversation, 62. homeless, 63. dedicate, 64. navigate, 65. anguish, 66. motivate, 67. worship

68. j__n denim *n.* a sturdy cotton twill fabric, typically blue, used for jeans and other clothing
69. 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
70. fo_____ad wrinkles *n.* the part of the face above the eyebrows and below the hairline; the upper part of the face that extends from the eyes to the hairline
71. un_____ly event *adj.* not probable or likely to happen
72. g_y couple *adj.* homosexual; happy, carefree
73. a warm em_____e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
74. follow the tr__l *n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
75. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
76. p__r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
77. irr_____ble conflict *adj.* unable to be resolved or made compatible; not able to be in harmony or agreement due to fundamental differences or conflicts

ANSWERS: 68. jean, 69. threat, 70. forehead, 71. unlikely, 72. gay, 73. embrace, 74. trail, 75. nation, 76. peer, 77. irreconcilable

78. apo_____ic letter *adj.* feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something
79. gi__t trees *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
80. a drug ad____t *n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
81. de_____te a few hours *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
82. ab__e in the same place *v.* to accept or tolerate something or to act in accordance with a rule, decision, recommendation, etc.; to remain in a particular state or condition
83. b__s against a big company *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
84. s__r a drink *v.* to speak about someone or something in a way that is insulting, derogatory, or libelous; to damage or smear a person's reputation by making false or defamatory statements
85. ex____d time and resources *v.* to use or spend time, money, energy, etc.
86. pu__h out numbers *v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something

ANSWERS: 78. apologetic, 79. giant, 80. addict, 81. dedicate, 82. abide, 83. bias, 84. slur, 85. expend, 86. punch

87. camping ou___t *n.* a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.
88. int_____te an enemy soldier *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
89. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
90. religious fa__h *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
91. all ability to mo____te *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
92. fatal met_____ine overdose *n.* (commonly known as "meth" or "crystal meth") a powerful and highly addictive stimulant drug that affects the central nervous system
93. 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
94. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
95. dis_____nt the audience *v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
96. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

ANSWERS: 87. outfit, 88. interrogate, 89. obvious, 90. faith, 91. motivate, 92. methamphetamine, 93. diversity, 94. opposition, 95. disappoint, 96. recognize

97. qu__r fashion *adj.* strange or odd, typically in an interesting or attractive way
98. increase sl____ly *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
99. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
100. br_____ty against civilians *n.* the quality or state of being cruel or savage
101. pa_____t queen *n.* a public spectacle or display, often involving colorful costumes, music, and elaborate sets; a contest in which people participate, often involving a parade, talent show, or beauty competition
102. in an op_____ng direction *adj.* competing, fighting, or working against each other
103. pr_____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
104. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
105. the wh_____r of the leaves *v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
106. id_____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
107. ig_____e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
108. hi_____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so

ANSWERS: 97. queer, 98. slightly, 99. conversation, 100. brutality, 101. pageant, 102. opposing, 103. probable, 104. straight, 105. whisper, 106. identify, 107. ignore, 108. historic

109. for in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
110. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
111. a com_____nt to an alliance *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
112. an au_____ic signature *adj.* known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy
113. d__e store *n.* an American or Canadian coin worth one-tenth of a dollar
114. pre-mo____n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
115. 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
116. del_____te attempt *adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident
117. an ac_____ic discussion *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
118. die su_____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
119. in_____ce the daily life *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
120. di_____e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

ANSWERS: 109. instance, 110. norm, 111. commitment, 112. authentic, 113. dime, 114. modern, 115. sham, 116. deliberate, 117. academic, 118. suddenly, 119. influence, 120. disease

121. r__n the plan *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
122. re____e around a central axis *v.* to rotate around a central point
123. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
124. st____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
125. understand his mot____on *n.* the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way
126. the sets were meticulously au____ic *adj.* known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy
127. medical l_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
128. a built-in diagnostic ro____e *n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program
129. pre____us event *adj.* having a high reputation or status; respected or honored; widely recognized as being of high quality or importance
130. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
131. behind a d__e *n.* an American or Canadian coin worth one-tenth of a dollar

ANSWERS: 121. ruin, 122. revolve, 123. debate, 124. strength, 125. motivation, 126. authentic, 127. lab, 128. routine, 129. prestigious, 130. modern, 131. dime

132. re____t a game *v.* to start something again, especially after a pause or interruption
133. sc___d all the time *adj.* afraid or frightened
134. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
135. d__g a chair over *v.* to pull or haul with force
136. female ho_____e *n.* a chemical substance made by organs that encourages or influences the development, growth, sex, etc., of an animal and is carried around the body in the blood
137. de___t smuggling across borders *v.* to find or recognize something, especially something difficult to see, hear, etc.
138. Je___h culture *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
139. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
140. 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
141. ass_____te into society *v.* to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
142. dressed br__k *n.* a rectangular block of baked clay used as a building material
143. s__t at law *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

ANSWERS: 132. restart, 133. scared, 134. opposition, 135. drag, 136. hormone, 137. detect, 138. Jewish, 139. violent, 140. diversity, 141. assimilate, 142. brick, 143. suit

144. ack_____ged beauty *adj.* recognized or admitted as being true or valid
145. political pu_____ck *n.* resistance, opposition, or an adverse reaction to a plan, idea, or proposal; a deliberate effort to resist, challenge, or oppose external pressure or influence; (verb) to resist or object to a proposal, idea, or plan
146. ho__r our ancestors *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
147. dem_____ion project *n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others
148. de___t a bad event *v.* to find or recognize something, especially something difficult to see, hear, etc.
149. ex_____ve clubs *adj.* not divided or shared with others
150. pre_____us award *adj.* having a high reputation or status; respected or honored; widely recognized as being of high quality or importance
151. pu_____ly accessible record *adv.* in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government
152. the imp_____on of a word *n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something

ANSWERS: 144. acknowledged, 145. pushback, 146. honor, 147. demonstration, 148. detect, 149. exclusive, 150. prestigious, 151. publicly, 152. implication

153. Internet ad___t *n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
154. a warm tr__l *n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
155. attempted mu___r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
156. make a positive con_____ion *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
157. dangerous com_____cy *n.* a feeling of self-satisfaction or contentment, often resulting in a lack of motivation to improve or address problems
158. have a b__s toward socialism *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
159. an associate ju__e *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
160. agree to su___t the bill *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
161. co_____d for a championship *v.* to struggle to win or surmount something

ANSWERS: 153. addict, 154. trail, 155. murder, 156. contribution, 157. complacency, 158. bias, 159. judge, 160. submit, 161. contend

162. ho____y audience *v.* to shock or disgust greatly
163. fa__h in government *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
164. burn s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
165. v_w never to give up *v.* to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn
166. school adm_____tor *n.* a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises
167. carry a s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
168. eff_____te voice *adj.* having qualities or characteristics traditionally associated with women, especially delicacy, softness, and a lack of strength or assertiveness
169. id____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
170. of____d a customer *v.* to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed
171. d__m wrong or inappropriate *v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way
172. the Ca____ic Church *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

ANSWERS: 162. horrify, 163. faith, 164. scar, 165. vow, 166. administrator, 167. scar, 168. effeminate, 169. identify, 170. offend, 171. deem, 172. Catholic

173. gr____te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
174. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
175. sewage cla_____ion *n.* the act or process of making a statement or situation less confusing and more understandable; the act of removing solid particles from a liquid
176. i_n's lounge *n.* a small hotel or lodging establishment typically located in a rural area, often serving food and drink as well as lodging
177. a world cha_____hip *n.* a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support
178. a false ru__r *n.* a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
179. the cr____or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
180. bl__e circumstances for the failure *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
181. na_____te the Pacific *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
182. cr__k an eggshell *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

ANSWERS: 173. graduate, 174. vast, 175. clarification, 176. inn, 177. championship, 178. rumor, 179. creditor, 180. blame, 181. navigate, 182. crack

183. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
184. po____r's studio *n.* a person who makes pottery, objects that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable; (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind
185. st_____ll their attempts *v.* to refuse to answer questions or provide information; to delay discussion or decision
186. d__g a team down *v.* to pull or haul with force
187. 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
188. use an ac_____m *n.* a word formed from the first letter of each word in a phrase, such as NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) or AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome)
189. bankrupt cr_____or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
190. 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

ANSWERS: 183. involve, 184. potter, 185. stonewall, 186. drag, 187. discriminate, 188. acronym, 189. creditor, 190. threat

191. ca____ic in his tastes *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
192. g__n for the prom *n.* a long, flowing garment worn on formal occasions, especially by women
193. notable in____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
194. on an equal ba__s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
195. d__m socially responsible *v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way
196. le____n love *n.* a woman who is attracted romantically and sexually to other women
197. the morning se____n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
198. p__r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
199. consumer ad____cy group *n.* the act of supporting or promoting a particular cause or point of view, often through public campaigning or lobbying
200. vo__r apathy *n.* a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election
201. sup____ve quality *adj.* of the highest degree, quality, or intensity; surpassing all others, used to describe comparisons that are extreme or the highest in a particular category

ANSWERS: 191. Catholic, 192. gown, 193. instance, 194. basis, 195. deem, 196. lesbian, 197. session, 198. peer, 199. advocacy, 200. voter, 201. superlative

202. the school ori_____on *n.* a person's basic attitudes, beliefs, and preferences about particular things; a course introducing a new situation or environment
203. publicly ack_____ged truth *adj.* recognized or admitted as being true or valid
204. qu__r money *adj.* strange or odd, typically in an interesting or attractive way
205. corporate d__t *n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
206. 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
207. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
208. a b__h of hair *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
209. s__r his reputation *v.* to speak about someone or something in a way that is insulting, derogatory, or libelous; to damage or smear a person's reputation by making false or defamatory statements
210. gr__t a land *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody

ANSWERS: 202. orientation, 203. acknowledged, 204. queer, 205. debt, 206. movement, 207. context, 208. bush, 209. slur, 210. grant

211. professional résumé *n.* a summary of a person's education, work experience, and qualifications, often used in job applications as a way to showcase their skills and achievements
212. art critic *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
213. baptize a baby *v.* to make someone officially a member of the Christian Church by baptism (= a form of Christian ritual purification)
214. emotional anguish *n.* severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony
215. settle a dispute *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
216. abide by a contract *v.* to accept or tolerate something or to act in accordance with a rule, decision, recommendation, etc.; to remain in a particular state or condition
217. convert base 10 to base 16 *v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
218. defend against a threat *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
219. military brutality *n.* the quality or state of being cruel or savage
220. se a company for damages *v.* to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress
221. homophobia in sports *n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

ANSWERS: 211. résumé, 212. critic, 213. baptize, 214. anguish, 215. settle, 216. abide, 217. convert, 218. defend, 219. brutality, 220. sue, 221. homophobia

222. anthropology lab_____ry *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
223. the imp_____on in a crime *n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
224. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
225. co_____e change *n.* a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation
226. ju__e a competition *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
227. co_____m the diagnosis *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
228. ins_____ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
229. of___d his sensibilities *v.* to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed
230. academic voc_____ry *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
231. tra_____ing technology *adj.* pioneering; innovative; the action of blazing a trail or creating a path for others to follow

ANSWERS: 222. laboratory, 223. implication, 224. creative, 225. costume, 226. judge, 227. confirm, 228. institutionalize, 229. offend, 230. vocabulary, 231. trailblazing

232. co____d that tobacco is nonaddictive *v.* to struggle to win or surmount something
233. in____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
234. cla_____ion of the issue *n.* the act or process of making a statement or situation less confusing and more understandable; the act of removing solid particles from a liquid
235. don't dis_____nt me *v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
236. adamantly d__y killing *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
237. l_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
238. de___d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
239. a fountain of wi___m *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
240. vi_____y in the law court *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
241. an ex_____d rock *adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
242. aff_____ed bank *adj.* being associated with or connected to a larger organization, group, or system

ANSWERS: 232. contend, 233. involve, 234. clarification, 235. disappoint, 236. deny, 237. lab, 238. defend, 239. wisdom, 240. victory, 241. exposed, 242. affiliated

243. sy___l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
244. co_____m a transaction *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
245. re_____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
246. ex___d a great deal of energy *v.* to use or spend time, money, energy, etc.
247. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
248. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
249. eff_____te gestures *adj.* having qualities or characteristics traditionally associated with women, especially delicacy, softness, and a lack of strength or assertiveness
250. re___e a request *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
251. 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
252. ap_____ze for being late *v.* to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem
253. small ch___h *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination

ANSWERS: 243. symbol, 244. confirm, 245. religion, 246. expend, 247. eventually, 248. obvious, 249. effeminate, 250. refuse, 251. discriminate, 252. apologize, 253. church

254. f__k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
255. answer in a wh_____r *v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
256. ex_____d to radiation *adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
257. the court se_____n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
258. a campus dem_____ion *n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others
259. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
260. womanly ho__r *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
261. cha_____hip flag *n.* a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support
262. a judge's g__n *n.* a long, flowing garment worn on formal occasions, especially by women
263. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 254. folk, 255. whisper, 256. exposed, 257. session, 258. demonstration, 259. vast, 260. honor, 261. championship, 262. gown, 263. communal

264. kiss on the fo____ad *n.* the part of the face above the eyebrows and below the hairline; the upper part of the face that extends from the eyes to the hairline
265. freedom of re____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
266. sexual ori____on *n.* a person's basic attitudes, beliefs, and preferences about particular things; a course introducing a new situation or environment
267. trees and b__hes *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
268. seaside i_n *n.* a small hotel or lodging establishment typically located in a rural area, often serving food and drink as well as lodging
269. sh____ng revelation *adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust
270. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
271. ov____ew of recent trends *n.* a general description or summary of a subject
272. op____ng counsel *adj.* competing, fighting, or working against each other
273. an ove____ht patient *adj.* weighing more than is considered normal, desirable, or healthy for a particular height and build

ANSWERS: 264. forehead, 265. religion, 266. orientation, 267. bush, 268. inn, 269. shocking, 270. engage, 271. overview, 272. opposing, 273. overweight

274. su____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
275. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
276. da___e assessment *v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity
277. vi_____e stars *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
278. give an ov_____ew *n.* a general description or summary of a subject
279. ac_____m definition *n.* a word formed from the first letter of each word in a phrase, such as NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) or AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome)
280. national pa_____t *n.* a public spectacle or display, often involving colorful costumes, music, and elaborate sets; a contest in which people participate, often involving a parade, talent show, or beauty competition
281. apo_____ic tone *adj.* feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something

ANSWERS: 274. suddenly, 275. norm, 276. damage, 277. visible, 278. overview, 279. acronym, 280. pageant, 281. apologetic

282. a foreign ac___t *n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance
283. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
284. ro_____e business *n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program
285. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
286. in_____ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
287. muscular st_____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
288. a foreign-aff_____ed job *adj.* being associated with or connected to a larger organization, group, or system
289. ha__y a suspect *v.* to persistently harass, badger, or bother someone or something; to persistently attack or pursue an opposing force or target
290. la_____t settlement *n.* a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered

ANSWERS: 282. accent, 283. tap, 284. routine, 285. communal, 286. influence, 287. strength, 288. affiliated, 289. harry, 290. lawsuit

291. vi____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
292. 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
293. met_____ine addiction *n.* (commonly known as "meth" or "crystal meth") a powerful and highly addictive stimulant drug that affects the central nervous system
294. vi____e by X-ray *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
295. wo____p god *v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
296. eve____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
297. ha__y the ship all night *v.* to persistently harass, badger, or bother someone or something; to persistently attack or pursue an opposing force or target
298. s_e my boss for harassment *v.* to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress
299. mu___r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
300. social pu____ck *n.* resistance, opposition, or an adverse reaction to a plan, idea, or proposal; a deliberate effort to resist, challenge, or oppose external pressure or influence; (verb) to resist or object to a proposal, idea, or plan

ANSWERS: 291. violent, 292. crown, 293. methamphetamine, 294. visible, 295. worship, 296. eventually, 297. harry, 298. sue, 299. murder, 300. pushback

301. voc_____ry list *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
302. a deep obl_____on *n.* the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
303. gr__t a new license *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
304. ins_____ize a system *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
305. file a la_____t *n.* a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered
306. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
307. avoid com_____cy *n.* a feeling of self-satisfaction or contentment, often resulting in a lack of motivation to improve or address problems
308. d__t ceiling *n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
309. treat the in_____on with antibiotics *n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body

ANSWERS: 301. vocabulary, 302. obligation, 303. grant, 304. institutionalize, 305. lawsuit, 306. president, 307. complacency, 308. debt, 309. infection

310. st_____ll the investigation *v.* to refuse to answer questions or provide information; to delay discussion or decision
311. wi____m literature *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
312. job pr_____cts *n.* the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
313. fi_____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
314. dangerously ove_____ht *adj.* weighing more than is considered normal, desirable, or healthy for a particular height and build
315. pay an obl_____on *n.* the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
316. v_w allegiance to the new king *v.* to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn
317. a ra_____l flaw in the plan *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
318. 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

ANSWERS: 310. stonewall, 311. wisdom, 312. prospect, 313. finance, 314. overweight, 315. obligation, 316. vow, 317. radical, 318. identity

319. a bacterial in_____on *n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body
320. a j__n skirt *n.* a sturdy cotton twill fabric, typically blue, used for jeans and other clothing
321. co_____t fat into energy *v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
322. political do_____on *n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them
323. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
324. put the ac____t on comfort *n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance
325. nec_____ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
326. 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
327. me____r for life *n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
328. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily

ANSWERS: 319. infection, 320. jean, 321. convert, 322. donation, 323. decision, 324. accent, 325. necessarily, 326. identity, 327. mentor, 328. unfortunately

329. ch___h bell *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
330. pu__h a ticket *v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
331. r□___□ template *n.* a summary of a person's education, work experience, and qualifications, often used in job applications as a way to showcase their skills and achievements
332. sl_____ly alkaline soils *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
333. su___t an application *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
334. se___e down in the town *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
335. pr_____ct for gold *n.* the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
336. hide his pr__e *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
337. pu_____ly financed schools *adv.* in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government
338. ho_____y victims *v.* to shock or disgust greatly

ANSWERS: 329. church, 330. punch, 331. résumé, 332. slightly, 333. submit, 334. settle, 335. prospect, 336. pride, 337. publicly, 338. horrify

339. in___t a computer with a virus *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
340. Je___h history *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
341. tra_____ing approach *adj.* pioneering; innovative; the action of blazing a trail or creating a path for others to follow
342. traffic in_____nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
343. hi_____us mistake *adj.* extremely funny
344. ap_____ze ahead of time *v.* to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem
345. a ra_____l cure *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
346. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
347. hom_____ia awareness *n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity
348. una_____bly high prices *adv.* in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory

ANSWERS: 339. infect, 340. Jewish, 341. trailblazing, 342. incident, 343. hilarious, 344. apologize, 345. radical, 346. folk, 347. homophobia, 348. unacceptably

349. una_____bly poor *adv.* in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory
350. re___e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
351. ba__s for calculation *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
352. ex_____ve authority *adj.* not divided or shared with others
353. 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
354. vi_____y over terrorism *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
355. ad_____cy group *n.* the act of supporting or promoting a particular cause or point of view, often through public campaigning or lobbying
356. con_____ion to society *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
357. int_____ory biology text *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point

ANSWERS: 349. unacceptably, 350. refuse, 351. basis, 352. exclusive, 353. develop, 354. victory, 355. advocacy, 356. contribution, 357. introductory

358. int_____ted by police *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
359. r__n the reputation *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
360. a st_____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
361. help ta___e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
362. d__y the allegations *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
363. ta___e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
364. network adm_____tor *n.* a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises
365. an eligible vo__r *n.* a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election
366. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
367. mot_____on for a change *n.* the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way

ANSWERS: 358. interrogate, 359. ruin, 360. straight, 361. tackle, 362. deny, 363. tackle, 364. administrator, 365. voter, 366. context, 367. motivation

368. make a do_____on
n. a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them
369. ho_____ss shelter
adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
370. ac_____ic probation
adj. associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
371. severe cr____c
n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
372. a hi_____us anecdote
adj. extremely funny
373. ass_____te a language
v. to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
374. sup_____ve achievement
adj. of the highest degree, quality, or intensity; surpassing all others, used to describe comparisons that are extreme or the highest in a particular category
375. g_y rights
adj. homosexual; happy, carefree
376. fashion me____r
n. a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
377. ru__r mill
n. a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
378. a ti__t game
adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

ANSWERS: 368. donation, 369. homeless, 370. academic, 371. critic, 372. hilarious, 373. assimilate, 374. superlative, 375. gay, 376. mentor, 377. rumor, 378. tight

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The wall was made of hard _____ that had been used for centuries.
n. a rectangular block of baked clay used as a building material

2. She wore her favorite pair of _____ to the party.
n. a sturdy cotton twill fabric, typically blue, used for jeans and other clothing

3. The team's _____ led to their defeat, as they didn't put in the effort needed to win the game.
n. a feeling of self-satisfaction or contentment, often resulting in a lack of motivation to improve or address problems

4. The priest _____ my father on his deathbed.
v. to make someone officially a member of the Christian Church by baptism (= a form of Christian ritual purification)

5. I need to buy a new _____ for the wedding I'm attending next weekend.
n. a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.

6. 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

7. His _____ mannerisms made others question his masculinity.
adj. having qualities or characteristics traditionally associated with women, especially delicacy, softness, and a lack of strength or assertiveness

ANSWERS: 1. bricks, 2. jeans, 3. complacency, 4. baptized, 5. outfit, 6. discriminate, 7. effeminate

8. He never received a _____ even from the company of a close friend.
n. an American or Canadian coin worth one-tenth of a dollar
9. Who answers _____ knows little.
adv. quickly and unexpectedly
10. She suffered from a deep sense of _____ following the loss of her loved one.
n. severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony
11. Please _____ to the instruction manual for further assistance.
v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
12. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
adj. likely to happen or likely to be true
13. He kept his robust _____ in his company.
n. complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
14. We stayed at a cozy _____ during our road trip.
n. a small hotel or lodging establishment typically located in a rural area, often serving food and drink as well as lodging
15. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.
n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally
16. He knocked over the red wine and _____ the tablecloth.
v. to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,

ANSWERS: 8. dime, 9. suddenly, 10. anguish, 11. refer, 12. probable, 13. faith, 14. inn, 15. murder, 16. ruined

17. He became in _____ after losing his job.

- n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something

18. The politician's remarks about same-sex marriage revealed his deep-seated _____.

- n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

19. The election administration nullified the election results because of _____ fraud.

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

20. He took me aside and _____ in my ear.

- v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

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

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

22. The chairperson _____ him the right to speak.

- v.* to agree to give or allow somebody

23. His _____ to the charity was a generous donation of money.

- n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause

ANSWERS: 17. debt, 18. homophobia, 19. voter, 20. whispered, 21. violent, 22. granted, 23. contribution

24. The use of _____ has been linked to several mental health disorders.
- n.* (commonly known as "meth" or "crystal meth") a powerful and highly addictive stimulant drug that affects the central nervous system
25. The _____ in the case is seeking damages for the wrongful termination of his employment.
- n.* a person or entity that brings a legal action against someone else in a court of law; the person or party that is bringing a lawsuit
26. His poem has a very significant _____.
- n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
27. The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's _____.
- n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
28. This accident was something that happened _____.
- adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
29. A significant amount of _____ is required to be a teacher.
- n.* the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way
30. The protesters were outraged by the police _____ they witnessed at the demonstration.
- n.* the quality or state of being cruel or savage
31. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's _____.
- n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

ANSWERS: 24. methamphetamine, 25. plaintiff, 26. implication, 27. wisdom, 28. necessarily, 29. motivation, 30. brutality, 31. lab

32. Even after the wound has healed, a _____ remains.

n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

33. Billionaires tend to _____ private funds on a public undertaking.

v. to use or spend time, money, energy, etc.

34. The passage of the bill is _____.

adj. not probable or likely to happen

35. 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

36. I want to _____ my sadness into strength.

v. to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action

37. He was _____ for being late to the meeting.

adj. feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something

38. His thinking is _____ in the country's culture.

n. the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people

39. The condo offers _____ access to the beach.

adj. not divided or shared with others

40. The _____ couple was denied the right to marry due to the conservative laws in their state.

n. a woman who is attracted romantically and sexually to other women

ANSWERS: 32. scar, 33. expend, 34. unlikely, 35. church, 36. convert, 37. apologetic, 38. mainstream, 39. exclusive, 40. lesbian

41. Despite its advanced science and technology, the empire was _____ about invasion.

adj. done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident

42. A well-known analyst described the market _____ in the morning session.

n. a general description or summary of a subject

43. The opposing sides in the debate held _____ views.

adj. unable to be resolved or made compatible; not able to be in harmony or agreement due to fundamental differences or conflicts

44. I don't want to _____ for second best.

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

45. I claim on my _____ that it is true.

n. high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

46. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

47. The government established by the coup was more _____ than before.

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

48. The company is facing a _____ for its alleged discrimination against employees.

n. a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered

ANSWERS: 41. deliberate, 42. overview, 43. irreconcilable, 44. settle, 45. honor, 46. historic, 47. radical, 48. lawsuit

49. The doctor diagnosed me with a _____ disorder.
- n.* a chemical substance made by organs that encourages or influences the development, growth, sex, etc., of an animal and is carried around the body in the blood
50. 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
51. The ancient Egyptians were skilled _____ and left behind many beautiful artifacts.
- n.* a person who makes pottery, objects that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable; (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind
52. I am going to trim this _____ off.
- n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
53. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
- adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
54. The government _____ the opposition party's efforts to access information about the project.
- v.* to refuse to answer questions or provide information; to delay discussion or decision
55. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

ANSWERS: 49. hormone, 50. diversity, 51. potters, 52. bush, 53. obvious, 54. stonewalled, 55. nation

56. His _____ toward her was unacceptable and resulted in his being fired.
n. a remark or action that causes offense or disrespect; (verb) to treat, mention, or speak to rudely
57. The group engages in _____ through lobbying and campaigning for policy changes.
n. the act of supporting or promoting a particular cause or point of view, often through public campaigning or lobbying
58. He became _____ after losing his job.
adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
59. The _____ coder had a difficult time debugging their program.
n. a person who is new to a particular activity or experience; a beginner or learner
60. The academy is known for its _____ faculty and rigorous curriculum.
adj. having a high reputation or status; respected or honored; widely recognized as being of high quality or importance
61. We have become TV _____ due to video streaming services.
n. a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
62. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.
adv. by bad luck; unluckily
63. The _____ scientist paved the way for future research in the field.
adj. pioneering; innovative; the action of blazing a trail or creating a path for others to follow

ANSWERS: 56. insult, 57. advocacy, 58. homeless, 59. novice, 60. prestigious, 61. addicts, 62. unfortunately, 63. trailblazing

64. The athlete had sweat dripping down her _____ after the intense workout.
n. the part of the face above the eyebrows and below the hairline; the upper part of the face that extends from the eyes to the hairline
65. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.
n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
66. As a _____ he helped me realize my career.
n. a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
67. The restaurant's exotic dishes received _____ reviews from food critics.
adj. of the highest degree, quality, or intensity; surpassing all others, used to describe comparisons that are extreme or the highest in a particular category
68. Children often _____ parents with this head cold.
v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
69. I'm _____ of insects.
adj. afraid or frightened
70. She studies gardening on a _____ basis.
n. a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program
71. I need to _____ my coworkers to finish the project on time.
v. to persistently harass, badger, or bother someone or something; to persistently attack or pursue an opposing force or target

ANSWERS: 64. forehead, 65. influence, 66. mentor, 67. superlative, 68. infect, 69. scared, 70. routine, 71. harry

72. Tech companies often employ _____ ducts and other materials in their office interiors.
adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
73. 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
74. The _____ of starting a new business can be both exciting and daunting.
n. the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
75. The _____ class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.
adj. intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
76. 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
77. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
78. The ability to _____ people is a priceless asset.
v. to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort

ANSWERS: 72. exposed, 73. identity, 74. prospect, 75. introductory, 76. develop, 77. tackle, 78. motivate

79. My initial reaction was to _____.

v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

80. The stages of the play were meticulously _____

adj. known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy

81. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

82. The restaurant's service was _____ slow.

adv. in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory

83. She has a thick southern _____.

n. a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance

84. She wore a beautiful _____ for the play.

n. a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation

85. Sociologists are now interested in _____ world peace.

adj. universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

86. 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

ANSWERS: 79. refuse, 80. authentic, 81. creditor, 82. unacceptably, 83. accent, 84. costume, 85. catholic, 86. crown

87. He shouldn't be allowed to _____ people based on race or sexuality.
v. to speak about someone or something in a way that is insulting, derogatory, or libelous; to damage or smear a person's reputation by making false or defamatory statements
88. She worked very hard not to _____ her boss's expectations.
v. to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
89. Since independence, the area has been completely _____.
v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
90. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
91. The national election was held amid _____ security.
adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
92. We are optimistic about our final _____.
n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
93. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
94. Tobacco companies have long _____ that their product is not addictive.
v. to struggle to win or surmount something
95. The beauty _____ contestants all looked stunning in their gowns.
n. a public spectacle or display, often involving colorful costumes, music, and elaborate sets; a contest in which people participate, often involving a parade, talent show, or beauty competition

ANSWERS: 87. slur, 88. disappoint, 89. ignored, 90. Communal, 91. tight, 92. victory, 93. modern, 94. contended, 95. pageant

96. They must _____ by the rules set by the governing body.

- v.* to accept or tolerate something or to act in accordance with a rule, decision, recommendation, etc.; to remain in a particular state or condition

97. He moved his body _____ to the left.

- adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little

98. Parliament is now in _____.

- n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

99. For _____ of the discussion, he prepared supporting materials.

- n.* the act or process of making a statement or situation less confusing and more understandable; the act of removing solid particles from a liquid

100. 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

101. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.

- n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

102. The news of the accident was _____ and left many in shock.

- adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust

103. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.

- v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

ANSWERS: 96. abide, 97. slightly, 98. session, 99. clarification, 100. movement, 101. finance, 102. shocking, 103. recognize

104. The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately _____ the witness.
- v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
105. She tried to _____ the conversation after the awkward silence.
- v.* to start something again, especially after a pause or interruption
106. We have no intention of _____ his idea.
- adj.* competing, fighting, or working against each other
107. The _____ from the community on the proposed policy change was intense and widespread.
- n.* resistance, opposition, or an adverse reaction to a plan, idea, or proposal; a deliberate effort to resist, challenge, or oppose external pressure or influence; (verb) to resist or object to a proposal, idea, or plan
108. Many employers hire _____ trainees to train as managers.
- n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
109. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.
- v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
110. He made a generous _____ to the charity.
- n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them
111. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
- n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

ANSWERS: 104. interrogate, 105. restart, 106. opposing, 107. pushback, 108. graduate, 109. involves, 110. donation, 111. opposition

112. He that would eat the kernel must _____ the nut.

- v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

113. The _____ at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

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

114. The _____ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

- adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

115. Using proper _____ is essential for writing a good essay.

- n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

116. My friend is a _____ woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

- adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

117. 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

118. The behavior of the clown at the party was quite _____.

- adj.* strange or odd, typically in an interesting or attractive way

119. His _____ expertise in the field earned him the respect of his peers.

- adj.* recognized or admitted as being true or valid

120. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

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

ANSWERS: 112. crack, 113. incident, 114. giant, 115. vocabulary, 116. Jewish, 117. sham, 118. queer, 119. acknowledged, 120. religion

121. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
- n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
122. The strict _____ ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.
- n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
123. Animal protection groups call for an end to animal testing in a _____.
- n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
124. Our knowledge helps _____ our clients successfully.
- v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
125. He _____ the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.
- v.* to pull or haul with force
126. 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
127. The new policy aims to _____ the use of renewable energy sources.
- v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
128. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.
- adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

ANSWERS: 121. context, 122. judge, 123. laboratory, 124. navigate, 125. dragged, 126. embrace, 127. institutionalize, 128. vast

129. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.
- n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
130. Please _____ the assignment to me.
- v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
131. You need to update your _____ before submitting it for the job application.
- n.* a summary of a person's education, work experience, and qualifications, often used in job applications as a way to showcase their skills and achievements
132. The Earth _____ around the Sun in an elliptical orbit.
- v.* to rotate around a central point
133. Hospitals must meet various standards to prevent nosocomial _____.
- n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body
134. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.
- adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
135. To expand the company, we must ____ new human resources.
- v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
136. 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

ANSWERS: 129. privilege, 130. submit, 131. résumé, 132. revolves, 133. infections, 134. creative, 135. tap, 136. threat

137. An excellent historian must possess an _____ mentality.

adj. associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills

138. Thousands of people attended the protest _____ against the proposed policy.

n. a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others

139. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

140. The ___ pride parade was a celebration of diversity and acceptance.

adj. homosexual; happy, carefree

141. They traditionally _____ their guru.

v. to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god

142. He is in charge of communication with overseas _____ companies.

adj. being associated with or connected to a larger organization, group, or system

143. She looked stunning in her long, flowing _____ at the formal event.

n. a long, flowing garment worn on formal occasions, especially by women

144. Six _____ are awaiting trial or verdict.

n. a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

ANSWERS: 137. academic, 138. demonstration, 139. conversation, 140. gay, 141. worship, 142. affiliated, 143. gown, 144. suits

145. He _____ his life to helping others.

- v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

146. Please write to _____ your reservation.

- v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

147. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.

- n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

148. She researched gender _____ in politics.

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

149. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.

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

150. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

- n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

151. Among young people, _____ pressure can be pretty influential.

- n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability

152. He is still _____ stealing the money from the cash register.

- v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

ANSWERS: 145. dedicated, 146. confirm, 147. norms, 148. bias, 149. engaged, 150. president, 151. peer, 152. denying

153. RADAR is an _____ for radio detection and ranging.

- n.* a word formed from the first letter of each word in a phrase, such as NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) or AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome)

154. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

- adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

155. I _____ for neglecting your email.

- v.* to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem

156. During the surgery, the doctor had to be extremely cautious not to _____ a blood vessel.

- v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity

157. She took great _____ in her work, always striving for perfection.

- n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

158. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.

- n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

159. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

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

ANSWERS: 153. acronym, 154. eventually, 155. apologize, 156. damage, 157. pride, 158. strength, 159. debate

160. His rude comments _____ many people at the party.
v. to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed
161. She _____ denounced the government's mishandling of the economic crisis.
adv. in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government
162. There will be an _____ lecture for new students this afternoon.
n. a person's basic attitudes, beliefs, and preferences about particular things; a course introducing a new situation or environment
163. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
164. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.
n. something visible that is used to represent something else
165. His team won the _____ for three years running.
n. a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support
166. The immigrant struggled to _____ into the new culture.
v. to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
167. The series of terrorist attacks _____ the entire nation.
v. to shock or disgust greatly
168. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.
n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

ANSWERS: 160. offended, 161. publicly, 162. orientation, 163. decision, 164. symbol, 165. championship, 166. assimilate, 167. horrify, 168. folk

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

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

170. My home is easily _____ from the shore.

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

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

v. to consider or decide something in a particular way

172. The university's _____ announced new policies regarding campus safety.

n. a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises

173. We _____ our impeded progress on lack of money.

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

174. His business _____ took him to the United States.

n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

175. They _____ to love and support each other for the rest of their lives.

v. to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn

176. He _____ the wall in anger.

v. to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something

177. He planned to _____ the organization for negligence.

v. to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress

ANSWERS: 169. obligation, 170. visible, 171. deemed, 172. administrator, 173. blamed, 174. commitments, 175. vowed, 176. punched, 177. sue

178. The doctor advised him to lose weight and maintain a healthy diet to avoid becoming _____.

adj. weighing more than is considered normal, desirable, or healthy for a particular height and build

179. This evidence will form the _____ for our discussion.

n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

180. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

181. The doctor diagnosed him with a rare _____ that had no known cure.

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

182. International law allows each nation to _____ itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.

v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

183. The storm left a _____ of destruction behind it.

n. a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind

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

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

185. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

ANSWERS: 178. overweight, 179. basis, 180. critics, 181. disease, 182. defend, 183. trail, 184. rumor, 185. instances

186. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
187. The security camera has _____ four intruders.
v. to find or recognize something, especially something difficult to see, hear, etc.
188. The comedian's stand-up routine was _____.
adj. extremely funny
189. He was sick for five _____ days.
adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

ANSWERS: 186. identify, 187. detected, 188. hilarious, 189. straight