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Session 1: Word List

manufacture

v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines

synonym: create, fabricate, assemble

(1) **manufacture** an enzyme, (2) **manufacture** a product
The majority of synthetic vitamins are **manufactured** from oil.

awful

adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

synonym: terrible, appalling, horrible

(1) an **awful** error, (2) do **awful** damage
I regretted making an **awful** mistake in my final exam.

unrelated

adj. having no connection; not belonging to the kinship

synonym: irrelevant, unconnected, independent

(1) statistically **unrelated**, (2) an **unrelated** position
Excuse me if my question is **unrelated** to the topic.

conclude

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

synonym: complete, finish, decide

(1) **conclude** a meeting, (2) **conclude** that he is healthy
We **concluded** a cease-fire.

criminal

n. a person who has committed a crime
synonym: offender, lawbreaker, delinquent

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

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

brand

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

synonym: trademark, label, symbol

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

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

inject

v. to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)

synonym: shoot, infiltrate, insinuate

(1) **inject** under the skin, (2) **inject** a personal opinion into a debate

Let's try to **inject** a bit of enthusiasm into your performance.

poison

n. a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly

synonym: toxin, venom, pollutant

(1) **poison** ivy, (2) **poison** bilateral relations

The plant's leaves contain a deadly **poison** that can cause hallucinations and seizures.

grocery

n. a shop that sells food and other household items

synonym: foodstuff, market

(1) the **grocery** business, (2) run a **grocery**

I will go to the **grocery** store to buy food for dinner.

culprit

n. someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing
synonym: criminal, felon, fugitive

(1) the **culprit** of global warming, (2) the arrest of the **culprit**
They finally found the **culprit** of the bug after a long time.

instrument

n. an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work

synonym: apparatus, tool, device

(1) musical **instruments**, (2) surgical **instruments**

This electronic **instrument** is required to undergo periodic inspections to ensure precision.

trace

v. to find or discover someone or something that was lost
synonym: seek, follow, depict

(1) **trace** a telephone call, (2) **trace** back to medieval times
Let's **trace** the origins of some familiar foreign words.

determinant

n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

synonym: cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

compromise

v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

synonym: agree, settle, negotiate

(1) **compromise** the matter, (2) cannot **compromise** anymore

They never **compromised** on development despite the lack of funds.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym: directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

victim

n. a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

synonym: prey, target, sufferer

(1) **victim** support, (2) **victim** compensation

The **victim** of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

headline

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

synonym: title, caption

(1) **headline** article, (2) banner **headline**

The engagement of the two golf players became **headline** news.

plummet

v. to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply

synonym: drop, plunge, fall

(1) **plummeting** sales, (2) **plummet** against other major currencies

The stock prices have **plummeted** in the last hour, causing concern for investors.

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.

strategy

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

synonym: approach, procedure, scenario

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

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

crisis

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

synonym: concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management

The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym: demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

recall

v. to remember something

synonym: remember, retrieve, recollect

(1) **recall** the incident, (2) **recall** his name

She vividly **recalls** getting laid off several years ago.

responsible

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

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

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

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

recommend

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

synonym : advise, suggest, instruct

(1) **recommend** a hospitalization, (2) **recommend** reading
We **recommend** taking media training every six months.

ethical

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

synonym : honorable, moral, virtuous

(1) an **ethical** doctrine, (2) shoulder **ethical** responsibility
The president must have the highest **ethical** standards.

gauge

n. an instrument for measuring and displaying the amount, level, or contents of something; (verb) to judge tentatively or form an estimate of something

synonym : measure, benchmark, judge

(1) pressure **gauge**, (2) take the **gauge** of a situation
We use various precision **gauges** in the manufacturing process of machinery.

ethic

n. a set of moral or philosophical principles or values that guide the behavior or actions of an individual, group, or society; the study or inquiry into the nature of morality and moral systems

synonym : moral code, code of conduct, principles

(1) moral **ethic**, (2) professional **ethic**
Having a strong work **ethic** is important for success in any field.

stakeholder

n. a person or group that has an interest or concern in something, especially a business

synonym : shareholder, interested party

(1) **stakeholder** engagement, (2) improve **stakeholder** relations

The organization held **stakeholder** consultations to gather input on the project.

analyze

v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

synonym : explore, examine, investigate

(1) **analyze** a chemical compound, (2) **analyze** your real motives

The teacher attempted to **analyze** the root cause of our mistake.

weigh

v. to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion

synonym : consider, cogitate, count

(1) **weigh** heavily on stock prices, (2) **weigh** a cargo

The baby **weighs** 1 pound 3 oz.

investor

n. someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

synonym : financier, banker, stockholder

(1) **investor** lawsuit, (2) a real estate **investor**

Institutional **investors** refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.

employ

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

synonym : hire, engage, use

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

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

adviser

n. a person who gives advice about a particular subject

synonym : consultant, guide, expert

(1) a medical **adviser**, (2) chief **adviser**

After retiring, he continued to be an **adviser** to politicians.

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.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

(1) **improve** a process, (2) **improve** the test score

We want to **improve** ties between our two countries.

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.

suffer

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

synonym: endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

layoff

n. the temporary or permanent dismissal of employees from a company or organization due to a lack of work or financial difficulties; involuntary termination of employment

synonym: dismissal, redundancy, termination

(1) temporary **layoff**, (2) mass **layoff**

The workers protested against the unfairness of the **layoff**, claiming they should have been consulted first.

addition

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

synonym: accumulation, expansion, addendum

(1) chemical **addition**, (2) **addition** of vectors

In **addition**, private corporations provide healthcare services.

rebound

v. to spring back into a former shape or position after being compressed or stretched

synonym: spring back, resile, recover

(1) **rebound** from a setback, (2) **rebound** back into positive growth

The basketball bounced off the rim and **rebounded** to the player.

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.

conflict

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

synonym: clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

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.

utilitarian

adj. designed to be practical and functional rather than decorative or luxurious

synonym: functional, practical, pragmatic

(1) **utilitarian** design, (2) **utilitarian** economics

The kitchen is designed with a **utilitarian** approach, focusing on practicality rather than aesthetics.

utilitarianism

n. the belief that the actions are the right if they are useful or for the benefit of a majority

(1) individualistic **utilitarianism**, (2) institutional **utilitarianism**

Utilitarianism focuses on results and consequences rather than rules.

philosophy

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

synonym: doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

maxim

n. a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior

synonym: adage, proverb, aphorism

(1) old **maxim**, (2) act upon a **maxim**

A good **maxim** is never out of season.

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.

admire

v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

synonym: esteem, respect, marvel

(1) **admire** the subtlety of the distinctions, (2) **admire** kids with attitude

We all **admire** him because he is a nobleman.

cyanide

n. a highly toxic compound consisting of a carbon atom triple-bonded to a nitrogen atom, most often encountered as hydrogen cyanide or one of its salts, often used in industrial processes, insecticides, and as a lethal poison

synonym: nitrile, poison, toxin

(1) **cyanide** poisoning, (2) hydrogen **cyanide**

The use of **cyanide** as a chemical weapon is prohibited under international law.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

analyst

n. someone whose job is to examine something to learn or understand more about it

synonym: reviewer, investigator, judge

(1) banking **analyst**, (2) senior research **analyst**

The **analyst** concluded that bankruptcy was inevitable.

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

synonym: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

cite

v. to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened

synonym: quote, mention, note

(1) **cite** various authorities, (2) **cite** a fact as evidence

The devil can **cite** Scripture for his purpose.

priority

n. something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

synonym: importance, precedence, primacy

(1) **priority** call, (2) **priority** seating for elderly

Her **priority** is to be a mother.

estimate

v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

synonym: calculate, gauge, evaluate

(1) **estimate** a fair value, (2) **estimate** this chicken to weigh three pounds

We **estimated** the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

regain

v. to get something back or recover something after it has been lost or taken away

synonym: recover, reclaim, retrieve

(1) **regain** our reputation, (2) **regain** my health

After years of hard work, he finally **regained** his financial stability.

prompt

v. to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen

synonym: actuate, inspire, incite

(1) **prompt** a feeling of hunger, (2) **prompt** a debate

That incident **prompted** a nationwide chain reaction regarding the crackdown on illegal groups.

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.

tamper

v. to interfere with something in a way that causes damage or unauthorized alteration; to meddle with or manipulate something without permission or authority; (noun) a tool or device used for interfering with or altering something in a way that is unauthorized or illegal

synonym : meddle, fiddle, monkey

(1) **tamper** with evidence, (2) **tamper-resistant**

It's important not to **tamper** with the settings on your computer unless you know what you're doing.

resistant

adj. not affected by something, especially changes or new ideas; of or relating to immunity to disease or infection

synonym : unsusceptible, immune, invulnerable

(1) penicillin- **resistant** bacteria, (2) **resistant** to persuasion

Insects in urban areas are becoming **resistant** to insecticides.

government

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

synonym : administration, regime, state

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

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

institute

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

synonym : academy, university, college

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

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

strict

adj. strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.

synonym : rigorous, inflexible, relentless

(1) **strict** compliance regime, (2) in **strict** secrecy

Too **strict** a regulation for the private sector will stifle innovation.

regulation

n. an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule

synonym: constraint, restriction, rule

(1) a company **regulation**, (2) **regulation** by the government

The **regulation** approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.

initial

adj. of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name

synonym: basic, primary, beginning

(1) **initial** velocity, (2) an **initial** letter

They took the **initial** step toward reconciliation.

poisonous

adj. containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction

synonym: toxic, venomous, deadly

(1) **poisonous** plants, (2) **poisonous** chemicals

Some species of **poisonous snakes** can be deadly to humans if bitten.

investigate

v. to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth

synonym: examine, analyze, look into

(1) **investigate** the matter, (2) **investigate** a data leak

The committee **investigated** several apparent inconsistencies.

copycat

n. a person who imitates or copies the behavior, speech, or appearance of another individual; a product or design that is made to look like a popular or successful product from another company or brand

synonym: imitator, mimic, copyist

(1) **copycat** behavior, (2) **copycat** website

The company accused their competitor of being a **copycat** and stealing its design.

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.

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.

ethics

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

synonym: morals, principles, moralities

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

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

dilemma

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

synonym: difficulty, plight, predicament

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

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

empire

n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

synonym: imperium, conglomerate, kingdom

(1) **empire** building, (2) **empire** of the Maya

He has built a thriving e-commerce **empire**.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. in___t under the skin | v. | to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube) |
| 2. re_____nt to persuasion | adj. | not affected by something, especially changes or new ideas; of or relating to immunity to disease or infection |
| 3. attempted mu___r | n. | the crime of killing somebody intentionally |
| 4. cr___s management | n. | a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken |
| 5. imm_____ly recall a product | adv. | now or without delay |
| 6. write him an answer imm_____ly | adv. | now or without delay |
| 7. re___l his name | v. | to remember something |
| 8. chicken-and-egg di_____a | n. | a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones |
| 9. 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 |

ANSWERS: 1. inject, 2. resistant, 3. murder, 4. crisis, 5. immediately, 6. immediately, 7. recall, 8. dilemma, 9. damage

10. security in_____nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
11. em___e building *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
12. we__h heavily on stock prices *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
13. re_____nd a hospitalization *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
14. ta___r with evidence *v.* to interfere with something in a way that causes damage or unauthorized alteration; to meddle with or manipulate something without permission or authority; (noun) a tool or device used for interfering with or altering something in a way that is unauthorized or illegal
15. vi___m compensation *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
16. im_____e a process *v.* to make or become better
17. create a br__d logo *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
18. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 10. incident, 11. empire, 12. weigh, 13. recommend, 14. tamper, 15. victim, 16. improve, 17. brand, 18. develop

19. moral et__c *n.* a set of moral or philosophical principles or values that guide the behavior or actions of an individual, group, or society; the study or inquiry into the nature of morality and moral systems
20. pl____t against other major currencies *v.* to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
21. co____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
22. military st____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
23. the longstanding co____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
24. me____r for life *n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
25. re____nd reading *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
26. re____d from a setback *v.* to spring back into a former shape or position after being compressed or stretched
27. 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

ANSWERS: 19. ethic, 20. plummet, 21. conclude, 22. strategy, 23. conflict, 24. mentor, 25. recommend, 26. rebound, 27. threat

28. st___t compliance regime *adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.
29. an un_____ed position *adj.* having no connection; not belonging to the kinship
30. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
31. political et___s *n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong
32. com_____se the matter *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
33. vi___m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
34. 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
35. in_____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
36. an et_____l doctrine *adj.* of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these

ANSWERS: 28. strict, 29. unrelated, 30. industrious, 31. ethics, 32. compromise, 33. victim, 34. decision, 35. institute, 36. ethical

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| 37. em___y a new method | v. | to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of |
| 38. an_____e a chemical compound | v. | to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning |
| 39. man_____re a product | v. | to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines |
| 40. research in_____tes | n. | an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something |
| 41. res_____le action | adj. | answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management |
| 42. a real estate in_____or | n. | someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns |
| 43. institutional uti_____ism | n. | the belief that the actions are the right if they are useful or for the benefit of a majority |
| 44. de___e a question | v. | to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options |
| 45. the co_____ct between good and evil | n. | a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals |
| 46. an_____e your real motives | v. | to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning |
| 47. he_____ne article | n. | a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page |

ANSWERS: 37. employ, 38. analyze, 39. manufacture, 40. institute, 41. responsible, 42. investor, 43. utilitarianism, 44. decide, 45. conflict, 46. analyze, 47. headline

48. uti_____an economics *adj.* designed to be practical and functional rather than decorative or luxurious
49. co_____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
50. the br__d of the new car *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
51. cannot com_____se anymore *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
52. po____n bilateral relations *n.* a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly
53. ad_____on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
54. banner he_____ne *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
55. cy_____e poisoning *n.* a highly toxic compound consisting of a carbon atom triple-bonded to a nitrogen atom, most often encountered as hydrogen cyanide or one of its salts, often used in industrial processes, insecticides, and as a lethal poison

ANSWERS: 48. utilitarian, 49. conclude, 50. brand, 51. compromise, 52. poison, 53. addition, 54. headline, 55. cyanide

56. co____t website *n.* a person who imitates or copies the behavior, speech, or appearance of another individual; a product or design that is made to look like a popular or successful product from another company or brand
57. pr____t a feeling of hunger *v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen
58. mu____r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
59. de____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
60. an in____l letter *adj.* of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
61. pl____ting sales *v.* to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
62. po____us plants *adj.* containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction
63. inv____te the matter *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
64. re____l the incident *v.* to remember something

ANSWERS: 56. copycat, 57. prompt, 58. murder, 59. decision, 60. initial, 61. plummet, 62. poisonous, 63. investigate, 64. recall

65. penicillin-re_____nt bacteria *adj.* not affected by something, especially changes or new ideas; of or relating to immunity to disease or infection
66. tr__e back to medieval times *v.* to find or discover someone or something that was lost
67. shoulder et_____l responsibility *adj.* of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these
68. the arrest of the cu_____t *n.* someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing
69. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
70. wanted cr_____al *n.* a person who has committed a crime
71. et___s of journalism *n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong
72. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
73. tr__e a telephone call *v.* to find or discover someone or something that was lost
74. a medical ad_____r *n.* a person who gives advice about a particular subject
75. an aw__l error *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
76. co_____t behavior *n.* a person who imitates or copies the behavior, speech, or appearance of another individual; a product or design that is made to look like a popular or successful product from another company or brand

ANSWERS: 65. resistant, 66. trace, 67. ethical, 68. culprit, 69. government, 70. criminal, 71. ethics, 72. involve, 73. trace, 74. adviser, 75. awful, 76. copycat

77. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
78. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
79. senior research an_____t *n.* someone whose job is to examine something to learn or understand more about it
80. chemical ad_____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
81. pr_____ty call *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
82. c__e various authorities *v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened
83. es_____te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
84. su____r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
85. the gr_____y business *n.* a shop that sells food and other household items
86. professional et__c *n.* a set of moral or philosophical principles or values that guide the behavior or actions of an individual, group, or society; the study or inquiry into the nature of morality and moral systems

ANSWERS: 77. industrious, 78. government, 79. analyst, 80. addition, 81. priority, 82. cite, 83. estimate, 84. suffer, 85. grocery, 86. ethic

87. reg_____on by the government *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
88. a det_____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
89. man_____re an enzyme *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
90. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
91. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
92. mass la___f *n.* the temporary or permanent dismissal of employees from a company or organization due to a lack of work or financial difficulties; involuntary termination of employment
93. pr___t a debate *v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen
94. in___t a personal opinion into a debate *v.* to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)
95. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

ANSWERS: 87. regulation, 88. determinant, 89. manufacture, 90. decide, 91. philosophy, 92. layoff, 93. prompt, 94. inject, 95. eventually

96. pr____ty seating for elderly *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
97. pressure ga__e *n.* an instrument for measuring and displaying the amount, level, or contents of something; (verb) to judge tentatively or form an estimate of something
98. the cu____t of global warming *n.* someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing
99. fashion me____r *n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
100. in____or lawsuit *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
101. act upon a ma__m *n.* a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior
102. 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
103. old ma__m *n.* a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior
104. po___n ivy *n.* a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly

ANSWERS: 96. priority, 97. gauge, 98. culprit, 99. mentor, 100. investor, 101. maxim,

102. damage, 103. maxim, 104. poison

105. ad___e the subtlety of the distinctions *v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
106. take the ga___e of a situation *n.* an instrument for measuring and displaying the amount, level, or contents of something; (verb) to judge tentatively or form an estimate of something
107. surgical ins_____nts *n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work
108. em___y job seekers *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
109. re_____d back into positive growth *v.* to spring back into a former shape or position after being compressed or stretched
110. su___r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
111. 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
112. sta_____er engagement *n.* a person or group that has an interest or concern in something, especially a business

ANSWERS: 105. admire, 106. gauge, 107. instrument, 108. employ, 109. rebound, 110. suffer, 111. develop, 112. stakeholder

113. in st___t secrecy *adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.
114. cr____al investigation *n.* a person who has committed a crime
115. chief ad____r *n.* a person who gives advice about a particular subject
116. em___e of the Maya *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
117. we__h a cargo *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
118. re___n my health *v.* to get something back or recover something after it has been lost or taken away
119. musical ins____nts *n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work
120. banking an____t *n.* someone whose job is to examine something to learn or understand more about it
121. phi____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
122. in____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

ANSWERS: 113. strict, 114. criminal, 115. adviser, 116. empire, 117. weigh, 118. regain, 119. instrument, 120. analyst, 121. philosophy, 122. involve

123. re___n our reputation *v.* to get something back or recover something after it has been lost or taken away
124. statistically un_____ed *adj.* having no connection; not belonging to the kinship
125. a company reg_____on *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
126. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
127. uti_____an design *adj.* designed to be practical and functional rather than decorative or luxurious
128. im_____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
129. hydrogen cy_____e *n.* a highly toxic compound consisting of a carbon atom triple-bonded to a nitrogen atom, most often encountered as hydrogen cyanide or one of its salts, often used in industrial processes, insecticides, and as a lethal poison
130. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
131. de_____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
132. ad_____e kids with attitude *v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

ANSWERS: 123. regain, 124. unrelated, 125. regulation, 126. responsible, 127. utilitarian, 128. improve, 129. cyanide, 130. determinant, 131. destroy, 132. admire

133. run a gr____y *n.* a shop that sells food and other household items
134. temporary la____f *n.* the temporary or permanent dismissal of employees from a company or organization due to a lack of work or financial difficulties; involuntary termination of employment
135. do aw__l damage *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
136. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
137. in____l velocity *adj.* of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
138. develop a st____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
139. traffic in____nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
140. individualistic uti_____ism *n.* the belief that the actions are the right if they are useful or for the benefit of a majority
141. de____y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
142. c__e a fact as evidence *v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened

ANSWERS: 133. grocery, 134. layoff, 135. awful, 136. eventually, 137. initial, 138. strategy, 139. incident, 140. utilitarianism, 141. destroy, 142. cite

143. financial cr___s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
144. be in a di_____a *n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones
145. improve sta_____er relations *n.* a person or group that has an interest or concern in something, especially a business
146. inv_____te a data leak *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
147. 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
148. es_____te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
149. ta___r-resistant *v.* to interfere with something in a way that causes damage or unauthorized alteration; to meddle with or manipulate something without permission or authority; (noun) a tool or device used for interfering with or altering something in a way that is unauthorized or illegal

ANSWERS: 143. crisis, 144. dilemma, 145. stakeholder, 146. investigate, 147. threat, 148. estimate, 149. tamper

150. po_____us chemicals

adj. containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction

ANSWERS: 150. poisonous

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Excuse me if my question is _____ to the topic.
adj. having no connection; not belonging to the kinship
2. The baby _____ 1 pound 3 oz.
v. to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
3. We _____ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.
v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
4. 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
5. They never _____ on development despite the lack of funds.
v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
6. The organization held _____ consultations to gather input on the project.
n. a person or group that has an interest or concern in something, especially a business
7. She vividly _____ getting laid off several years ago.
v. to remember something

ANSWERS: 1. unrelated, 2. weighs, 3. estimated, 4. damage, 5. compromised, 6. stakeholder, 7. recalls

8. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.
n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
9. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.
v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
10. Insects in urban areas are becoming _____ to insecticides.
adj. not affected by something, especially changes or new ideas; of or relating to immunity to disease or infection
11. Institutional _____ refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.
n. someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
12. The stock prices have _____ in the last hour, causing concern for investors.
v. to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
13. The company accused their competitor of being a _____ and stealing its design.
n. a person who imitates or copies the behavior, speech, or appearance of another individual; a product or design that is made to look like a popular or successful product from another company or brand
14. We _____ a cease-fire.
v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
15. The _____ concluded that bankruptcy was inevitable.
n. someone whose job is to examine something to learn or understand more about it

ANSWERS: 8. conflicts, 9. suffers, 10. resistant, 11. investors, 12. plummeted, 13. copycat, 14. concluded, 15. analyst

16. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

17. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.

adv. now or without delay

18. The president must have the highest _____ standards.

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

19. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

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

20. There's a new _____ of hero in the movies now.

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

21. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

22. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

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

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

ANSWERS: 16. destroyed, 17. immediately, 18. ethical, 19. eventually, 20. brand, 21. determinant, 22. murder, 23. government

24. This scripture provides the code of _____ for the religion.
- n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong
25. The teacher attempted to _____ the root cause of our mistake.
- v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
26. 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
27. I will go to the _____ store to buy food for dinner.
- n.* a shop that sells food and other household items
28. The choice between bureaucracy and adhococracy represents a common _____.
- n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones
29. It's important not to _____ with the settings on your computer unless you know what you're doing.
- v.* to interfere with something in a way that causes damage or unauthorized alteration; to meddle with or manipulate something without permission or authority; (noun) a tool or device used for interfering with or altering something in a way that is unauthorized or illegal
30. The committee _____ several apparent inconsistencies.
- v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth

ANSWERS: 24. ethics, 25. analyze, 26. develop, 27. grocery, 28. dilemma, 29. tamper, 30. investigated

31. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.

v. to make or become better

32. After years of hard work, he finally _____ his financial stability.

v. to get something back or recover something after it has been lost or taken away

33. The engagement of the two golf players became _____ news.

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

34. 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

35. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

36. The basketball bounced off the rim and _____ to the player.

v. to spring back into a former shape or position after being compressed or stretched

37. A good _____ is never out of season.

n. a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior

38. The majority of synthetic vitamins are _____ from oil.

v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines

ANSWERS: 31. improve, 32. regained, 33. headline, 34. mentor, 35. decide, 36. rebounded, 37. maxim, 38. manufactured

39. 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
40. The _____ at the airport caused a delay in my flight.
- n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
41. The _____ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.
- n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
42. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
- adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
43. This region has many _____ offering higher education.
- n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
44. Let's try to _____ a bit of enthusiasm into your performance.
- v.* to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)
45. Too _____ a regulation for the private sector will stifle innovation.
- adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.

ANSWERS: 39. decision, 40. incident, 41. victim, 42. responsible, 43. institutes, 44. inject, 45. strict

46. The kitchen is designed with a _____ approach, focusing on practicality rather than aesthetics.

adj. designed to be practical and functional rather than decorative or luxurious

47. 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

48. _____ focuses on results and consequences rather than rules.

n. the belief that the actions are the right if they are useful or for the benefit of a majority

49. We _____ taking media training every six months.

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

50. The devil can _____ Scripture for his purpose.

v. to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened

51. We use various precision _____ in the manufacturing process of machinery.

n. an instrument for measuring and displaying the amount, level, or contents of something; (verb) to judge tentatively or form an estimate of something

52. He has built a thriving e-commerce _____.

n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

53. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 46. utilitarian, 47. involves, 48. Utilitarianism, 49. recommend, 50. cite, 51. gauges, 52. empire, 53. industrious

54. I regretted making an _____ mistake in my final exam.

adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

55. Having a strong work _____ is important for success in any field.

n. a set of moral or philosophical principles or values that guide the behavior or actions of an individual, group, or society; the study or inquiry into the nature of morality and moral systems

56. The use of _____ as a chemical weapon is prohibited under international law.

n. a highly toxic compound consisting of a carbon atom triple-bonded to a nitrogen atom, most often encountered as hydrogen cyanide or one of its salts, often used in industrial processes, insecticides, and as a lethal poison

57. Her _____ is to be a mother.

n. something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

58. They finally found the _____ of the bug after a long time.

n. someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing

59. Ethics is a branch of _____.

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

60. The workers protested against the unfairness of the _____ claiming they should have been consulted first.

n. the temporary or permanent dismissal of employees from a company or organization due to a lack of work or financial difficulties; involuntary termination of employment

ANSWERS: 54. awful, 55. ethic, 56. cyanide, 57. priority, 58. culprit, 59. philosophy, 60. layoff,

61. That incident _____ a nationwide chain reaction regarding the crackdown on illegal groups.
- v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen
62. This electronic _____ is required to undergo periodic inspections to ensure precision.
- n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work
63. After retiring, he continued to be an _____ to politicians.
- n.* a person who gives advice about a particular subject
64. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.
- n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
65. The _____ approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.
- n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
66. 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
67. We all _____ him because he is a nobleman.
- v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

ANSWERS: 61. prompted, 62. instrument, 63. adviser, 64. addition, 65. regulation, 66. threat, 67. admire

68. When making arrests, police officers frequently _____ excessive force.

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

69. They took the _____ step toward reconciliation.

adj. of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name

70. The plant's leaves contain a deadly _____ that can cause hallucinations and seizures.

n. a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly

71. The police are searching for the _____ who stole the jewels.

n. a person who has committed a crime

72. Some species of _____ can be deadly to humans if bitten.

adj. containing or producing toxic substances; harmful or dangerous to living beings, often causing illness, injury, or death; capable of causing serious harm or destruction

73. Let's _____ the origins of some familiar foreign words.

v. to find or discover someone or something that was lost

74. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.

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

75. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

ANSWERS: 68. employ, 69. initial, 70. poison, 71. criminal, 72. poisonous snakes, 73. trace, 74. strategy, 75. crisis

ANSWERS: