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Session 1: Word List

peach

n. juicy, sweet fruit with fuzzy, pinkish-yellow skin; a person or thing that is particularly pleasing or attractive

synonym: fruit, nectarine, apricot

(1) **peach** cobbler, (2) juicy **peaches**

The **peach** tree in my backyard produced a bountiful harvest this year.

well-fed

adj. having a plentiful and nutritious diet; being sufficiently nourished, and not experiencing hunger or malnourishment

synonym: well-nourished, satisfied

(1) **well-fed** livestock, (2) **well-fed** family

The **well-fed** cat lay lazily in the sun.

planet

n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

synonym: earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

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**.

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.

balance

n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

synonym : equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

(1) the **balance** of power, (2) asset on the company's **balance** sheet

Try to keep a **balance** between work and off.

universal

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

synonym : common, broad, worldwide

(1) **universal** life, (2) principles of **universal** design

The picture earned near- **universal** acclaim from critics.

disconnect

v. to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment

synonym : unplug, detach, take apart

(1) **disconnect** a plug, (2) **disconnect** the water supply

She finally decided to **disconnect** herself from the company.

suppose

v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

synonym : guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand

What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

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**.

environment

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

recycle

v. to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again

synonym: reclaim, reuse, reprocess

(1) **recycle** the cardboard boxes, (2) **recycle** milk packaging into new paper

We largely **recycle** the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.

environmentalist

n. a person who is concerned with and advocates for the protection of the natural environment

synonym: conservationist

(1) dedicated **environmentalist**, (2) an **environmentalist** political party

The **environmentalist** lobby changed the mindset of many conservative politicians.

ineffective

adj. not producing any significant or intended effect or result

synonym: useless, feeble, fruitless

(1) an **ineffective** speech, (2) pull an **ineffective** player

These treatments were **ineffective** against a virus.

climate

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

synonym: atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change

Climate and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

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.

consume

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

synonym: absorb, ingest, use up

(1) **consume** a large of alcohol, (2) **consume** electricity

A smaller car will **consume** less fuel.

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.

preach

v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

synonym: expound, advocate, sermonize

(1) **preach** the gospel, (2) **preach** to the masses

The pastor **preached** about the importance of forgiveness.

temperature

n. the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place

synonym: climate, warmth, degree

(1) extreme **temperatures**, (2) the atmospheric

temperature

Cities around the world set records for highest **temperatures** this summer.

reuse

v. to use something again or more than once

synonym: reprocess, recycle, rehash

(1) **reuse** the materials, (2) **reuse** existing knowledge

The supermarket encourages shoppers to **reuse** plastic bags.

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.

politician

n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

synonym: congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

(1) a **politician** in the ruling party, (2) a corrupt **politician**

The **politician** lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

ban

v. to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something

synonym: forbid, prohibit, restrict

(1) **ban** gender-related job discrimination, (2) **ban** any type of cloning

We should **ban** mildly violent video games from a child's development perspective.

unexpected

adj. not anticipated or regarded as likely to happen

synonym: surprising, unanticipated, incredible

(1) an **unexpected** visitor, (2) some **unexpected** events

The **unexpected** rainstorm caused the collapse of the corral.

striking

adj. attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner

synonym : arresting, astonishing, exceptional

(1) **striking** innovation, (2) **striking** evidence

The two plays have many **striking** parallels.

unstoppable

adj. impossible to stop or prevent

synonym : unshakable, unyielding, relentless

(1) **unstoppable** force, (2) **unstoppable** momentum

The team's winning streak was **unstoppable**.

strike

v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

synonym : hit, impact, influence

(1) **strike** up a conversation, (2) **strike** a blow

We **strike** to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

bold

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

synonym : brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

shock

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

synonym : amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

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.

explode

v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

synonym: detonate, blast, rupture

(1) **explode** in anger, (2) **explode** in popularity

The old building **exploded** in a fiery inferno.

indigenous

adj. someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place

synonym: domestic, endemic, primitive

(1) **indigenous** crop, (2) **indigenous** peoples

The **indigenous** plants need to be pollinated by local insects.

intergenerational

adj. relating to, involving, or affecting different generations

(1) **intergenerational** conflict, (2) promote

intergenerational ties

The results of that survey clearly show **intergenerational** differences in attitudes toward LGBTQ.

cooperation

n. the act or situation of working together with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc.

synonym: collaboration, affiliation, alliance

(1) **cooperation** with strategic partners, (2) thoroughgoing **cooperation**

The **cooperation** between businesses and universities created this groundbreaking product.

coal

n. a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat

synonym : ember

(1) a **coal-fired** ship, (2) construction of new **coal** plants
We combust **coal** and other fossil fuels to generate electricity.

carbon

n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

(1) **carbon** dioxide, (2) **carbon** emission

Trees absorb **carbon** dioxide and give off oxygen.

soil

n. the top layer of Earth in which plants grow

synonym : earth, ground, mud

(1) **soils** retentive of moisture, (2) parched **soil**

Soil moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.

summit

n. the highest point of a mountain or hill; a meeting of heads of state or government to discuss important issues

synonym : peak, top, crest

(1) reach the **summit**, (2) **summit** talks

The climbers reached the mountain's **summit** after a long and challenging journey.

panel

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

synonym : board, commission, discussion

(1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

gore

v. to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death;
(noun) coagulated blood from a wound

synonym : pierce, stab, puncture

(1) **gore** him with a weapon, (2) **gore** scene

The hunter **gored** the deer with an arrow.

jay

n. a type of bird that belongs to the crow family and is known for its brightly colored feathers and loud, raucous call

synonym : magpie, crow

(1) **jay** feather, (2) blue **jay**

I often hear a **jay's** loud and distinctive call while hiking in the woods.

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.

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.

amazing

adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

synonym : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

tiring

adj. causing fatigue, exhaustion, or boredom

synonym : exhausting, fatiguing, draining

(1) mentally **tiring**, (2) **tiring** day

The **tiring** hike through the mountains was worth it for the stunning views.

resilient

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

synonym: robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population

She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

sacred

adj. connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

synonym: holy, inviolable, hallowed

(1) **sacred** music, (2) the halo of a **sacred** image

This space is a private office **sacred** to the President

struggle

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

synonym: toil, strive, compete

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

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

policy

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

synonym: strategy, plan, guideline

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

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

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.

luxury

n. a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things

synonym: extravagance, indulgence, opulence

(1) get into the **luxury** car market, (2) **luxury** hotel

His anti- **luxury** practices were quite strict.

perspective

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

synonym: viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle

His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

gymnastics

n. a sport that involves feats of strength, agility, and balance, often performed on apparatus such as a balance beam or a set of parallel bars; any physical exercise that involves movement and agility

synonym: acrobatics, tumbling, contortion

(1) **gymnastics** competition, (2) **gymnastics** routine

Gymnastics classes are fun for kids to stay active and learn new skills.

sustainable

adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time

synonym: continuable, endurable, tolerable

(1) **sustainable** alternative fuel, (2) principles of **sustainable** development

The government should do more to support environmentally **sustainable** agriculture.

grid

n. a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical

power is distributed throughout a region

synonym : gridiron, battery grid, power system

(1) a **grid** design, (2) a wire **grid**

Grid pattern roads often appear in urban areas.

renewable

adj. capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced

synonym : sustainable, replaceable

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

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

curriculum

n. a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.

synonym : program, syllabus, course of study

(1) a **curriculum** vitae, (2) an academic **curriculum**

A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the **curriculum**.

optimistic

adj. hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful

synonym : hopeful, auspicious, cheery

(1) he is **optimistic**, (2) **optimistic** outlook

Most executives were **optimistic** about future business conditions.

mindset

n. the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

synonym : attitude, ethos, mentality

(1) flexible **mindset**, (2) the **mindset** in an education system

Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial **mindset** in each individual.

greedy

adj. having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food

synonym : avaricious, covetous, grasping

(1) **greedy** person, (2) **greedy** for money

His **greedy** behavior led him to steal from the company.

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.

confidence

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

synonym : self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

courage

n. the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

synonym : bravery, valor, fearlessness

(1) mental **courage**, (2) inspire **courage**

It takes a lot of **courage** to stand up for what you believe is right.

inviting

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

synonym : attractive, tempting, alluring

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

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

optimism

n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

synonym : positiveness, sanguinity, bullishness

(1) sense of **optimism**, (2) political **optimism**

There is considerable **optimism** that the economy will recover soon.

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.

legislation

n. a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws

synonym: act, regulation, decree

(1) anti-terrorist **legislation**, (2) introduce **legislation**

Similar **legislation** had already been rejected by the parliament four times.

Session 2: Spelling

1. st___e up a conversation
v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
2. inspire co_____e
n. the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
3. we_____ed family
adj. having a plentiful and nutritious diet; being sufficiently nourished, and not experiencing hunger or malnourishment
4. dis_____ct a plug
v. to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment
5. su___r bad grades
v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
6. help ta___e climate change
v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
7. a cold cl_____e
n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
8. an une_____ed visitor
adj. not anticipated or regarded as likely to happen
9. a fountain of wi___m
n. the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions

ANSWERS: 1. strike, 2. courage, 3. well-fed, 4. disconnect, 5. suffer, 6. tackle, 7. climate, 8. unexpected, 9. wisdom

10. co____e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
11. asset on the company's ba____e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
12. promote int_____nal ties *adj.* relating to, involving, or affecting different generations
13. ca____n emission *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
14. gym_____cs routine *n.* a sport that involves feats of strength, agility, and balance, often performed on apparatus such as a balance beam or a set of parallel bars; any physical exercise that involves movement and agility
15. thoroughgoing coo_____on *n.* the act or situation of working together with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc.
16. an academic cur_____um *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
17. in_____ng scent *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
18. uns_____le force *adj.* impossible to stop or prevent
19. g__e him with a weapon *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound

ANSWERS: 10. consume, 11. balance, 12. intergenerational, 13. carbon, 14. gymnastics, 15. cooperation, 16. curriculum, 17. inviting, 18. unstoppable, 19. gore

20. 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.
21. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
22. gr____y person *adj.* having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food
23. the halo of a sa____d image *adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god
24. un_____al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
25. bl__e circumstances for the failure *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
26. juicy pe__hes *n.* juicy, sweet fruit with fuzzy, pinkish-yellow skin; a person or thing that is particularly pleasing or attractive
27. a corrupt pol_____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
28. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
29. mentally ti____g *adj.* causing fatigue, exhaustion, or boredom

ANSWERS: 20. president, 21. perspective, 22. greedy, 23. sacred, 24. universal, 25. blame, 26. peach, 27. politician, 28. suppose, 29. tiring

30. a c__l-fired ship *n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
31. mental co_____e *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
32. sense of op_____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
33. political op_____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
34. financial cr____s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
35. con_____ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
36. extreme tem_____res *n.* the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
37. health po____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 30. coal, 31. courage, 32. optimism, 33. optimism, 34. crisis, 35. confidence, 36. temperature, 37. policy

38. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
39. get into the lu____y car market *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
40. pr____h the gospel *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
41. an env_____ist political party *n.* a person who is concerned with and advocates for the protection of the natural environment
42. re_____e the cardboard boxes *v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
43. the mi_____t in an education system *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
44. principles of un_____al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
45. pe__h cobbler *n.* juicy, sweet fruit with fuzzy, pinkish-yellow skin; a person or thing that is particularly pleasing or attractive
46. st_____ng evidence *adj.* attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner
47. reach the su____t *n.* the highest point of a mountain or hill; a meeting of heads of state or government to discuss important issues
48. cost of solar pa__ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

ANSWERS: 38. inspire, 39. luxury, 40. preach, 41. environmentalist, 42. recycle, 43. mindset, 44. universal, 45. peach, 46. striking, 47. summit, 48. panel

49. a cur_____um vitae *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
50. we_____ed livestock *adj.* having a plentiful and nutritious diet; being sufficiently nourished, and not experiencing hunger or malnourishment
51. save the pl____t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
52. gym_____cs competition *n.* a sport that involves feats of strength, agility, and balance, often performed on apparatus such as a balance beam or a set of parallel bars; any physical exercise that involves movement and agility
53. st_____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
54. in_____ng atmosphere *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
55. ex_____e in popularity *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
56. b_n gender-related job discrimination *v.* to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something
57. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

ANSWERS: 49. curriculum, 50. well-fed, 51. planet, 52. gymnastics, 53. struggle, 54. inviting, 55. explode, 56. ban, 57. climate

58. ti___g day *adj.* causing fatigue, exhaustion, or boredom
59. ind_____us peoples *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
60. dis_____ct the water supply *v.* to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment
61. b_n any type of cloning *v.* to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something
62. re_____nt population *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
63. co_____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
64. a wire g__d *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
65. pa__l discussion *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
66. gr___y for money *adj.* having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food
67. 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.

ANSWERS: 58. tiring, 59. indigenous, 60. disconnect, 61. ban, 62. resilient, 63. consume, 64. grid, 65. panel, 66. greedy, 67. president

68. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
69. re__e the materials *v.* to use something again or more than once
70. a hard and re_____nt steel *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
71. anti-terrorist leg_____on *n.* a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws
72. ca___n dioxide *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
73. introduce leg_____on *n.* a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws
74. boost my con_____ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
75. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
76. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
77. phi_____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
78. coo_____on with strategic partners *n.* the act or situation of working together with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc.

ANSWERS: 68. responsible, 69. reuse, 70. resilient, 71. legislation, 72. carbon, 73. legislation, 74. confidence, 75. amazing, 76. amazing, 77. philosophy, 78. cooperation

79. opt_____ic outlook *adj.* hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful
80. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
81. some une_____ed events *adj.* not anticipated or regarded as likely to happen
82. pr__e of a company *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
83. su___r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
84. construction of new c__l plants *n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
85. cr___s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
86. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
87. re_____le energy *adj.* capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
88. pull an ine_____ve player *adj.* not producing any significant or intended effect or result
89. g__e scene *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound

ANSWERS: 79. optimistic, 80. suppose, 81. unexpected, 82. pride, 83. suffer, 84. coal, 85. crisis, 86. environment, 87. renewable, 88. ineffective, 89. gore

90. dedicated env_____ist *n.* a person who is concerned with and advocates for the protection of the natural environment
91. st_____ng innovation *adj.* attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner
92. sh__k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
93. re_____le subscriptions *adj.* capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
94. sa____d music *adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god
95. ex_____e in anger *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
96. sus_____le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
97. int_____nal conflict *adj.* relating to, involving, or affecting different generations
98. st_____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
99. 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

ANSWERS: 90. environmentalist, 91. striking, 92. shock, 93. renewable, 94. sacred, 95. explode, 96. sustainable, 97. intergenerational, 98. struggle, 99. movement

100. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
101. hide his pr__e *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
102. 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
103. ind_____us crop *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
104. big, b__d piano sounds *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
105. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
106. su____t talks *n.* the highest point of a mountain or hill; a meeting of heads of state or government to discuss important issues
107. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
108. foreign po____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 100. responsible, 101. pride, 102. decision, 103. indigenous, 104. bold, 105. nation, 106. summit, 107. decision, 108. policy

109. death from sh__k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
110. st___e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
111. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
112. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
113. pr___h to the masses *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
114. bl__e the lack of knowledge *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
115. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
116. lu___y hotel *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
117. s__ls retentive of moisture *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
118. an ine_____ve speech *adj.* not producing any significant or intended effect or result

ANSWERS: 109. shock, 110. strike, 111. philosophy, 112. perspective, 113. preach, 114. blame, 115. nation, 116. luxury, 117. soil, 118. ineffective

119. in____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
120. parched s__l *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
121. blue j_y *n.* a type of bird that belongs to the crow family and is known for its brightly colored feathers and loud, raucous call
122. ta____e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
123. 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
124. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
125. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
126. re__e existing knowledge *v.* to use something again or more than once
127. the atmospheric tem_____re *n.* the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
128. j_y feather *n.* a type of bird that belongs to the crow family and is known for its brightly colored feathers and loud, raucous call

ANSWERS: 119. inspire, 120. soil, 121. jay, 122. tackle, 123. movement, 124. environment, 125. politician, 126. reuse, 127. temperature, 128. jay

129. flexible mi____t *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
130. uns_____le momentum *adj.* impossible to stop or prevent
131. a b__d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
132. re_____e milk packaging into new paper *v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
133. the ba_____e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
134. pl____t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
135. wi____m literature *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
136. a g__d design *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
137. principles of sus_____le development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
138. he is opt_____ic *adj.* hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful

ANSWERS: 129. mindset, 130. unstoppable, 131. bold, 132. recycle, 133. balance, 134. planet, 135. wisdom, 136. grid, 137. sustainable, 138. optimistic

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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

2. 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

3. Trees absorb _____ dioxide and give off oxygen.
 - n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

4. There is considerable _____ that the economy will recover soon.
 - n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

5. 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

6. His _____ behavior led him to steal from the company.
 - adj. having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food

7. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?
 - v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

ANSWERS: 1. suffers, 2. crisis, 3. carbon, 4. optimism, 5. responsible, 6. greedy, 7. suppose

8. She is a _____ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

9. We should ____ mildly violent video games from a child's development perspective.

v. to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something

10. 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

11. He got an electric _____ at work.

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

12. His anti-_____ practices were quite strict.

n. a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things

13. The _____ plants need to be pollinated by local insects.

adj. someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place

14. The two plays have many _____ parallels.

adj. attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner

15. Ethics is a branch of _____.

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

ANSWERS: 8. resilient, 9. ban, 10. blamed, 11. shock, 12. luxury, 13. indigenous, 14. striking, 15. philosophy

16. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.
- n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
17. The _____ lost his position in the end due to the scandal.
- n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
18. We combust _____ and other fossil fuels to generate electricity.
- n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
19. _____ classes are fun for kids to stay active and learn new skills.
- n.* a sport that involves feats of strength, agility, and balance, often performed on apparatus such as a balance beam or a set of parallel bars; any physical exercise that involves movement and agility
20. The _____ lobby changed the mindset of many conservative politicians.
- n.* a person who is concerned with and advocates for the protection of the natural environment
21. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
- n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
22. The hunter _____ the deer with an arrow.
- v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound

ANSWERS: 16. perspective, 17. politician, 18. coal, 19. Gymnastics, 20. environmentalist, 21. environment, 22. gored

23. The _____ aroma of freshly baked bread drew me into the bakery.
adj. having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
24. 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.
25. Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial _____ in each individual.
n. the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
26. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
27. We largely _____ the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.
v. to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
28. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
29. A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the _____.
n. a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
30. Similar _____ had already been rejected by the parliament four times.
n. a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws

ANSWERS: 23. inviting, 24. president, 25. mindset, 26. inspired, 27. recycle, 28. Climate, 29. curriculum, 30. legislation

31. I often hear a _____ loud and distinctive call while hiking in the woods.
- n.* a type of bird that belongs to the crow family and is known for its brightly colored feathers and loud, raucous call
32. _____ pattern roads often appear in urban areas.
- n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
33. It takes a lot of _____ to stand up for what you believe is right.
- n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
34. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.
- n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
35. He could not _____ against temptation.
- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
36. The company's new _____ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.
- n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
37. She took great _____ in her work, always striving for perfection.
- n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

ANSWERS: 31. jay's, 32. Grid, 33. courage, 34. confidence, 35. struggle, 36. policy, 37. pride

38. _____ moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.
n. the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
39. The _____ hike through the mountains was worth it for the stunning views.
adj. causing fatigue, exhaustion, or boredom
40. The _____ cat lay lazily in the sun.
adj. having a plentiful and nutritious diet; being sufficiently nourished, and not experiencing hunger or malnourishment
41. Cities around the world set records for highest _____ this summer.
n. the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
42. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
43. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
44. The picture earned near-_____ acclaim from critics.
adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
45. Most executives were _____ about future business conditions.
adj. hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful
46. 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

ANSWERS: 38. Soil, 39. tiring, 40. well-fed, 41. temperatures, 42. tackle, 43. amazing, 44. universal, 45. optimistic, 46. decision

47. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.
n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
48. These treatments were _____ against a virus.
adj. not producing any significant or intended effect or result
49. 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
50. 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
51. The supermarket encourages shoppers to _____ plastic bags.
v. to use something again or more than once
52. The government should do more to support environmentally _____ agriculture.
adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time
53. The results of that survey clearly show _____ differences in attitudes toward LGBTQ.
adj. relating to, involving, or affecting different generations
54. The _____ between businesses and universities created this groundbreaking product.
n. the act or situation of working together with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc.

ANSWERS: 47. balance, 48. ineffective, 49. nation, 50. wisdom, 51. reuse, 52. sustainable, 53. intergenerational, 54. cooperation

55. The _____ rainstorm caused the collapse of the corral.

adj. not anticipated or regarded as likely to happen

56. The old building _____ in a fiery inferno.

v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

57. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.

n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

58. The _____ tree in my backyard produced a bountiful harvest this year.

n. juicy, sweet fruit with fuzzy, pinkish-yellow skin; a person or thing that is particularly pleasing or attractive

59. A _____ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

60. 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

61. The team's winning streak was _____.

adj. impossible to stop or prevent

62. This space is a private office _____ to the President

adj. connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

ANSWERS: 55. unexpected, 56. exploded, 57. planet, 58. peach, 59. panel, 60. movement, 61. unstoppable, 62. sacred

63. The climbers reached the mountain's _____ after a long and challenging journey.

- n.* the highest point of a mountain or hill; a meeting of heads of state or government to discuss important issues

64. The pastor _____ about the importance of forgiveness.

- v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

65. She finally decided to _____ herself from the company.

- v.* to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment

66. We _____ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

- v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

67. The effort to alleviate climate change needs _____ action.

- adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

68. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.

- v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

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

- adj.* capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced

ANSWERS: 63. summit, 64. preached, 65. disconnect, 66. strike, 67. bold, 68. consume, 69. renewable