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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### 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.

### consciously

*adv.* with awareness; in a deliberate manner

*synonym* : intentionally, deliberately, knowingly

(1) **consciously** aware of a problem, (2) act **consciously**  
He **consciously** criticizes her in the publicity.

### casual

*adj.* relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness

*synonym* : informal, relaxed, offhand

(1) **casual** dress, (2) take a **casual** glance  
They had a **casual** conversation over coffee at the local cafe.

### comfort

*n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

*synonym* : ease, solace, coziness

(1) words of **comfort**, (2) **comfort** level  
He found **comfort** in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

- gay** *adj.* homosexual; happy, carefree  
*synonym* : cheerful, lively, joyful  
(1) **gay** couple, (2) **gay** rights  
The **gay** pride parade was a celebration of diversity and acceptance.
- 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.
- sham** *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not  
*synonym* : bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent  
(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**  
The data he prepared was completely **sham**.
- 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.
- thorough** *adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate  
*synonym* : complete, comprehensive, meticulous  
(1) **thorough** investigation, (2) provide **thorough** analysis  
A **thorough** brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.
- delight** *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness  
*synonym* : pleasure, joy, satisfaction  
(1) a tremor of **delight**, (2) with **delight**

The **delight** on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.

**suit** *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for  
*synonym*: clothes, lawsuit, (verb) fit  
(1) **suit** and tie restaurant, (2) **suit** at law  
Six **suits** are awaiting trial or verdict.

**jealousy** *n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire  
*synonym*: envy, covetousness, resentment  
(1) **jealousy** feeling towards another person, (2) burn with **jealousy**  
His **jealousy** of his brother's success caused a rift in their relationship.

**straight** *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations  
*synonym*: linear, honest, consecutive  
(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months  
He was sick for five **straight** days.

**intimate** *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal  
*synonym*: close, tight, friendly  
(1) my **intimate** affairs, (2) **intimate** relationship  
He has an **intimate** knowledge of American history.

**gesture** *n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning  
*synonym*: motion, expression, gesticulation  
(1) **gesture** of goodwill, (2) hand **gesture**  
She made a facial **gesture** to express disagreement.

- lean** *adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture  
*synonym*: skinny, slender, (verb) slant  
(1) a **lean** horse, (2) **lean** athletic figure  
**Lean** operational improvements often lead to better environmental performance.
- tuck** *v.* to push a stray piece of clothing or material into a particular area or position, especially to make it more orderly or comfortable  
*synonym*: insert, wrap, pinch  
(1) **tuck** a baby in the blanket, (2) **tuck** into another cigarette  
You should **tuck** your shirt into your trousers.
- unconscious** *adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness  
*synonym*: comatose, paralyzed, senseless  
(1) **unconscious** bias, (2) a person who is **unconscious**  
I know his **unconscious** habit that he touches his face when he lies.
- peer** *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability  
*synonym*: fellow, associate, counterpart  
(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review  
Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.
- discuss** *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic  
*synonym*: talk about, converse, debate  
(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions  
We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

## waist

*n.* the part of the human body between the ribs and hips or the corresponding part in other animals

*synonym* : midriff, torso, abdomen

(1) **waist** measurement, (2) a slim **waist**

She cinched her dress at the **waist** to accentuate her hourglass figure.

## consequence

*n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

*synonym* : result, impact, outcome

(1) unintended **consequences**, (2) the **consequence** of an argument

These economic activities had disastrous environmental **consequences**.

## amusement

*n.* the state or experience of finding something humorous or entertaining

*synonym* : entertainment, diversion, fun

(1) **amusement** quarters, (2) source of **amusement**

We went to the **amusement** park and rode roller coasters all day.

## bunch

*n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

*synonym* : group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls

One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

## lad

*n.* a young boy or man, often used in an informal or affectionate way

*synonym* : boy, youth, youngster

(1) working-class **lad**, (2) local **lad**

The older man gave the young **lad** some helpful life advice.

## 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.

## thoughtless

*adj.* lacking consideration for others; inconsiderate; not reflecting on one's actions or words; showing a lack of thought or intelligence

*synonym* : unthinking, careless, insensitive

(1) **thoughtless** comment, (2) **thoughtless** mistake  
The **thoughtless** actions of the students caused damage to the school property.

## 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.

## stroll

*v.* to walk somewhere in a slow, relaxed way and with no apparent aim

*synonym* : amble, roam, mope

(1) **stroll** across a street, (2) **stroll** through the countryside  
We could **stroll** into town if you like.

## norm

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

*synonym* : criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**  
The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

## carefree

*adj.* without worries or concerns; free from anxiety, responsibility, or constraints

*synonym* : light-hearted, careloose, easygoing

(1) **carefree** attitude, (2) **carefree** vacation  
I miss the **carefree** days of my childhood when I didn't have to worry about anything.

## constantly

*adv.* all the time

*synonym* : continuously, always, frequently

(1) a **constantly** innovative enterprise, (2) a **constantly** varying mind

The mobile application industry is **constantly** changing.

## scan

*v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

*synonym* : look over, scrutinize, browse

(1) **scan** the face of the man, (2) **scan** a document into PDF  
She stood on the podium and **scanned** an audience.

## pave

*v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

*synonym* : surface, coat, cover

(1) **pave** a new path, (2) **pave** a smoother road

They **paved** the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.

## silent

*adj.* without any or little sound

*synonym* : quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

## defiant

*adj.* showing bold resistance or disobedience to authority, rules, or norms

*synonym* : rebellious, disobedient, insubordinate

(1) a **defiant** attitude, (2) **defiant** eye

The **defiant** student refused to follow the teacher's instructions and continued to talk during class.

## defiance

*n.* behavior characterized by an open refusal to obey someone or something

*synonym* : disobedience, disregard, confrontation

(1) fierce **defiance**, (2) adopt an attitude of **defiance**

He acted in **defiance** of our decision.

## ruin

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

*synonym*: bankrupt, demolish, destroy

(1) **ruin** the plan, (2) **ruin** the reputation

He knocked over the red wine and **ruined** the tablecloth.

## poke

v. to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger

*synonym*: prod, jab, push

(1) **poke** around the desk, (2) **poke** a fire

They **poked** fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.

## spat

n. a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat

*synonym*: argument, disagreement, oyster

(1) minor **spat**, (2) clean up the **spat**

The **spat** between the two neighbors escalated into a heated argument.

## split

v. to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line

*synonym*: break, divide, break apart

(1) **split** a bill, (2) **split** a reward equally

Companies often **split** their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.

## react

v. to take action in response to something

*synonym*: respond, reply, oppose

(1) **react** at a high temperature, (2) **react** against his way of thinking

How did he **react** to your idea?

## wander

v. to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction



*synonym* : ramble, roam, stroll

(1) **wander** alone in a strange country, (2) **wander** far from home

I often **wander** around the park for half an hour.

## posh

*adj.* elegant, fashionable, or luxurious, often to an excessive or ostentatious degree; associated with the upper classes or a high level of social status

*synonym* : elegant, fancy, luxurious

(1) **posh** district, (2) **posh** restaurant

The CEO's office was decorated in a **posh** and elegant style.

## depart

*v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey

*synonym* : go away, leave, vacate

(1) arrive and **depart** on time, (2) **depart** from the faith

We **departed** before the temperature fell below zero.

## observe

*v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

*synonym* : watch, monitor, scrutinize

(1) **observe** a tradition, (2) **observe** wildlife

It is important to **observe** safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

## homophobia

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

*synonym* : prejudice, discrimination, bigotry

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

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

## ridicule

*n.* speech or behavior that makes fun of or mocks someone or something; teasing, sarcasm, or scornful remarks that are intended to belittle or humiliate; (verb) to mock, criticize, or make fun of someone or something in a scornful or derisive way

*synonym*: derision, mockery, satire

(1) public **ridicule**, (2) **ridicule** at his expense

The **ridicule** from his classmates made him feel embarrassed and ashamed.

## scorn

*n.* a feeling of contempt or disdain for someone or something seen as unworthy or inferior; an expression of contempt or ridicule

*synonym*: contempt, disdain, disrespect

(1) treat with **scorn**, (2) expression of **scorn**

The politician responded to the heckler with a look of **scorn**.

## blessing

*n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune

*synonym*: favor, benediction, boon

(1) count your **blessings**, (2) bestowed **blessings**

Receiving support from his friends was a great **blessing** in his time of need.

## imprison

*v.* to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement

*synonym*: incarcerate, detain, confine

(1) **imprison** illegal immigrant, (2) **imprison** myself within the room

He was **imprisoned** for embezzlement.

## execute

*v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.

*synonym*: direct, conduct, enforce

(1) **execute** a bold strategy, (2) **execute** a double play

The mafioso who collaborated with the police was **executed**.

## adjustment

*n.* a small change or movement made to something to improve it and achieve the desired result

*synonym*: alteration, adaptation, modification

(1) **adjustment** by hand, (2) a fine **adjustment**

He assumed the role of the arbitral **adjustment** of the controversy.

## background

*n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

*synonym*: ground, experience, backdrop

(1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

## constant

*adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time

*synonym*: ceaseless, stable, unchanging

(1) a **constant** wind, (2) a **constant** temperature

**Constant** dropping wears away the stone.

## malign

*v.* to speak or write about someone or something in a harmful or critical way; (adjective) evil or harmful in nature or influence

*synonym*: defame, vilify, (adjective) evil

(1) **malign** influence, (2) **malign** the politician in the media

The article **maligned** the company's reputation with false accusations.

## presence

*n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

*synonym*: existence, actuality, fact

(1) the evidence of the **presence**, (2) his majestic **presence**

The path to a solid online **presence** necessitates a high technical ability.

## assimilate

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

*synonym* : absorb, incorporate, integrate

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

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

## complain

v. to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

*synonym* : gripe, claim, denounce

(1) **complain** about a job, (2) call and **complain** frequently

Our users are often **complaining** about the slow application.

## competition

n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

*synonym* : contest, match, fight

(1) the first round of the **competition**, (2) intraspecific **competition**

Global **competition** is rising in virtually every industry.

## infuse

v. to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue

*synonym* : instill, fill, permeate

(1) **infuse** with spirit, (2) **infuse** life with meaning

She **infused** fresh herbs into the soup for added flavor.

## drip

v. to fall in drops or make it fall in drops; (noun) liquid or moisture that falls in drops

*synonym* : drop, drizzle, trickle

(1) **drip** liquid, (2) **drip** from the vicious wound

Water is **dripping** from the faucet.

## absorb

v. to take in a fluid or other substance gradually

*synonym* : consume, soak, ingest

(1) **absorb** energy, (2) **absorb** a shock

The sponge **absorbs** water well.

## slight

*adj.* very small in degree or amount

*synonym* : feeble, nuanced, subtle

(1) feel a **slight** concern, (2) **slight** increase

We made **slight** modifications to reflect the views of both sides.

## intimidation

*n.* the act of instilling fear or anxiety in someone, often to make them feel inferior or submissive; the use of threats or coercion to deter someone from taking a certain course of action

*synonym* : frightening, bullying, harassment

(1) act of **intimidation**, (2) fear of **intimidation**

Using **intimidation** tactics in the workplace is unacceptable and should not be tolerated.

## sneer

*v.* to show contempt or ridicule for someone or something through a facial expression or tone of voice; (noun) a contemptuous or scornful smile or remark

*synonym* : mock, deride, ridicule

(1) **sneer** openly at him, (2) **sneer** hatefully

She **sneered** at his attempts to impress her.

## occasionally

*adv.* now and then; sometimes but not often

*synonym* : periodically, sometimes, from time to time

(1) **occasionally** dine with friends, (2) **occasionally** change the routine

She still **occasionally** writes a short romance novel.

## intrinsically

*adv.* from the inherent nature or quality of something or arising from within

*synonym* : inherently, essentially, fundamentally

(1) **intrinsically** motivated, (2) **intrinsically** valuable

The kindness of strangers is **intrinsically** rewarding, even when no reward is expected.

## disorder

*n.* an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions

*synonym* : chaos, disturbance, disease

(1) the files are in complete **disorder**, (2) people with bipolar **disorder**

The doctor prescribed some medicine for the mental **disorder**.

## celibate

*adj.* abstaining from sexual relations, typically for religious reasons; unmarried or single

*synonym* : abstinent, unmarried, chaste

(1) **celibate** life, (2) **celibate** priest

As a monk, he took a vow of **celibate** and refrained from any romantic relationships.

## pulpit

*n.* a raised platform or lectern in a church or synagogue from which a member of the clergy delivers a sermon or religious address

*synonym* : soapbox, podium, lectern

(1) church **pulpit**, (2) standing at the **pulpit**

The preacher delivered a sermon from the **pulpit**, inspiring the congregation.

## scrawl

*v.* to write or draw something in a careless or untidy way, often with difficulty or haste

*synonym* : scribble, scratch, squiggle

(1) **scrawl** my signature, (2) **scrawl** a message

She quickly **scrawled** her phone number on paper before running out the door.

## graffiti

*n.* writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place

*synonym* : street art, tagging, vandalism

(1) **graffiti** art, (2) **graffiti** tag

The city spent a lot of money cleaning up the **graffiti** on the buildings downtown.

## steel

*n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure

*synonym* : iron

(1) magnetic **steel**, (2) **steel** beam

This bridge is the third largest **steel** bridge in the world.

## talent

*n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

*synonym* : endowment, aptitude, capability

(1) a person of diverse **talents**, (2) raw **talent**

Numerous great professional sports **talents** have come from this city.

## prefer

*v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another

*synonym* : choose, like, favor

(1) **prefer** physics to chemistry, (2) **prefer** a window seat

The birds **prefer** open water areas with reeds around them.

## harbor

*n.* an area of water next to the coast where ships and boats are protected from rough water by piers, jetties, and other artificial structures; (verb) keep in one's possession

*synonym* : port, dock, pier

(1) a sheltered **harbor**, (2) **harbor** a resentment

The tsunami swamped every boat in the **harbor**.

## animosity

*n.* strong hostility or hatred towards someone or something, often resulting in conflict or ill-will

*synonym* : enmity, hostility, bitterness

(1) personal **animosity**, (2) deep-seated **animosity**

The **animosity** between the two political parties has only grown stronger over the years.

## discomfort

*n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain

*synonym* : affliction, despair, ache

(1) endure **discomfort** and pain, (2) **discomfort** in the abdomen

He felt no **discomfort** as the dentist drilled his deadened tooth.

## relation

*n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

*synonym*: association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

## curl

*v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles

*synonym*: coil, curve, spiral

(1) **curl** around street corners, (2) a **curl** of smoke

The cat **curled** into a ball and went to sleep.

## dye

*v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance

*synonym*: color, tint, stain

(1) **dye** a T-shirt red, (2) **dye** patterns

She **dyed** her hair purple for a change.

## glean

*v.* to collect information, knowledge, etc., in small amounts and often with difficulty; to gather, as natural products

*synonym*: cull, collect, extract

(1) **glean** important information, (2) **glean** the fields

He carefully interviewed the victims and tried to **glean** the details of the culprit.

## courtyard

*n.* an open space surrounded by buildings or walls, often in the center of a building or group of buildings

*synonym*: patio, garden, atrium

(1) quiet **courtyard**, (2) spacious **courtyard**

The hotel's beautiful **courtyard** was the perfect spot for a



wedding reception.

## church

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

*synonym*: chapel, cathedral, synagogue

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

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

## coronation

*n.* a ceremony at which a person becomes king or queen

*synonym*: crowning, enthronement, investiture

(1) **coronation** ceremony, (2) the **coronation** robes

The **coronation** of the new king was a grand event.

## uncomfortable

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

*synonym*: comfortless, discomforting, painful

(1) an **uncomfortable** silence, (2) with an **uncomfortable** face

His abusive words made me **uncomfortable**.

## ordinary

*adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

*synonym*: mundane, prosaic, average

(1) an **ordinary** school, (2) **ordinary** annual revenue

The **ordinary** session of the Diet opened.

## annoying

*adj.* making someone feel slightly angry

*synonym*: aggravating, bothersome, irksome

(1) **annoying** banner ad, (2) **annoying** habit

The phone call is an **annoying** interruption.

## sake

*n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done

*synonym*: purpose, reason, interest

(1) for your own **sake**, (2) for the **sake** of argument

He got a new job for the **sake** of his family.

## decorate

*v.* to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc

*synonym*: adorn, embellish, beautify

(1) **decorate** a wall, (2) **decorate** for Christmas

They **decorated** the room with balloons and streamers for the birthday party.

## entirely

*adv.* completely

*synonym*: completely, fully, totally

(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame

Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

## manifest

*v.* to show something such as feeling, attitude, quality, etc. clearly through signs or actions

*synonym*: exhibit, make plain, demonstrate

(1) **manifest** as the word, (2) **manifest** displeasure

The Prime Minister **manifested** his regret for his neighbors

## attempt

*n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

*synonym*: endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**

The third **attempt** was far more successful.

## phobia

*n.* an extreme or irrational fear of a particular object, person, situation, or activity; a type of anxiety disorder

*synonym*: fear, dread, terror

(1) **phobia** treatment, (2) social **phobia**

She has a **phobia** of spiders and always avoids them.

## cower

*v.* to crouch or curl up in fear or apprehension; to shrink or recoil from something threatening, usually physically or mentally

*synonym*: crouch, tremble, cringe

(1) **cower** in fear, (2) **cower** under pressure

The actress **covered** in humiliation as the audience booed her performance.

## lesbian

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

*synonym*: gay woman, female homosexual, tribade

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

The **lesbian** couple was denied the right to marry due to the conservative laws in their state.

## bisexual

*adj.* attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women

*synonym*: bi, pansexual, omnisexual

(1) **bisexual** orientation, (2) **bisexual** lifestyle

She described herself as **bisexual**, having been in relationships with male and female partners.

## brave

*adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

*synonym*: courageous, valiant, heroic

(1) **brave** soldier, (2) **brave** decision

The **brave** firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

## irrational

*adj.* not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking; (mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers

*synonym*: illogical, ludicrous, senseless

(1) an **irrational** request, (2) **irrational** numbers

They continued to endure **irrational** treatment by the dictatorship.

## fetch

*v.* to go and bring back something or someone; to retrieve or obtain something

*synonym*: retrieve, bring, get

(1) **fetch** the mail, (2) **fetch** a ball

Could you help me **fetch** the ball from the other side of the field?

- tide** *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull  
*synonym* : ripple, surge, swell  
(1) **tide** cycle, (2) ride the **tide** of change  
Red **tide** is often harmful to the local ecosystem.
- parallel** *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations  
*synonym* : aligned, side-by-side, similar  
(1) a **parallel** case, (2) **parallel** processing  
He walked a road **parallel** to the railroad.
- argument** *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute  
*synonym* : debate, discourse, discussion  
(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment  
The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.
- decriminalize** *v.* to eliminate or reduce the criminal penalties associated with an act or behavior; to make legal or permissible something that was previously outlawed or punishable by law  
*synonym* : legalize, decriminalization, depenalize  
(1) **decriminalize** abortion, (2) **decriminalize** public drunkenness  
Many activists are pushing for laws to **decriminalize** marijuana use.
- homosexual** *adj.* sexually attracted to people of one's own sex  
*synonym* : gay, same-sex attracted

(1) **homosexual** rights, (2) **homosexual** marriage

The law was repealed to protect the rights of **homosexual** citizens.

## advance

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

*synonym*: progress, boost, come along

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

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

## cluster

*n.* a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit

*synonym*: group, aggregation, array

(1) live in a **cluster**, (2) a **cluster** of stars

A **cluster** of grapes hung from the vine.

## debate

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

*synonym*: argument, discussion, dispute

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

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

## spectacle

*n.* something or someone seen, especially a notable or unusual sight; an optical device consisting of a frame that houses a pair of lenses for correcting defective vision

*synonym*: marvel, sensation, phenomenon

(1) pretty **spectacle**, (2) **spectacle** lens

She could not help watching the sad **spectacle**.

## blunt

*adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point

of being rude or insensitive

*synonym*: dull, obtuse, insensitive

(1) **blunt** criticism, (2) **blunt** force

The **blunt** knife made it difficult to cut through the tough steak.

## animus

*n.* hostility or ill-feeling, often shown in prejudice or bias; a feeling of strong motivation or intention towards a particular goal or objective

*synonym*: antagonism, resentment, hatred

(1) ideological **animus**, (2) **animus** toward minorities

The company's decision to close the factory was motivated by a deep **animus** toward its workers.

## disgust

*n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval

*synonym*: nauseate, hate, dislike

(1) public **disgust**, (2) show **disgust** at his actions

He was filled with **disgust** and fear for the threat of war.

## scramble

*v.* to move or climb quickly and awkwardly, often using your hands to help you

*synonym*: jumble, disarrange

(1) **scramble** my mind, (2) **scramble** for support

Local business owners **scrambled** to find skilled workers.

## argue

*v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

*synonym*: debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

## 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.

## institutionalize

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

*synonym*: formalize, establish, regularize

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

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

## orphanage

n. an institution for the care of orphans (= a child whose parents are dead)

*synonym*: home for orphans, children's home, foster home

(1) build an **orphanage**, (2) **orphanage** director

He grew up in a Christian **orphanage** and never knew his biological parents.

## define

v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

*synonym*: characterize, depict, express

(1) **define** a word, (2) **define** my position

To advance this discussion, we must **define** "success" rigorously.

## dictionary

n. a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation

*synonym*: lexicon, glossary, vocabulary

(1) **dictionary** definition, (2) online **dictionary**

I need to purchase a new English **dictionary**.

## piffle

n. meaningless or foolish talk, often used to imply that something is trivial, insignificant, or unimportant

*synonym*: nonsense, silliness, rubbish

(1) pointless **piffle**, (2) filled with empty **piffle**

His explanation was a load of **piffle**, lacking any substance or logical reasoning.

## clutch

*v.* to grasp and hold somebody or something tightly

*synonym*: grip, hold, grab

(1) **clutch** at any straw, (2) **clutched** her daughter to her breast

The boy **clutched** his mother's hand tightly as they walked in the dark.

## pearl

*n.* a hard, roundish object found within the shells of certain mollusks and used as a gem

*synonym*: bead, gem, nacre

(1) a cultured **pearl**, (2) **pearl** beyond price

She wore a **pearl** necklace passed down to her from her grandmother.

## crossfire

*n.* a situation in which people or groups are firing weapons at each other from different directions

*synonym*: gunfire, shooting, barrage

(1) **crossfire** casualty, (2) **crossfire** of criticism

The soldiers found themselves caught in the **crossfire** of the enemy's artillery barrage.

## guilty

*adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal

*synonym*: culpable, blameworthy, at fault

(1) feel a bit **guilty**, (2) **guilty** verdict

After much contemplation, the suspect decided to plead **guilty** to the theft charge.

## association

*n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship

*synonym*: affiliation, collaboration, society

(1) word **associations**, (2) a scholarship **association**



His membership in the **association** provided him with numerous benefits.

## Sodom

*n.* a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men

(1) **Sodom** and Gomorrah, (2) the city of **Sodom**

The term "**Sodom**" has become synonymous with acts of homosexuality and is used as a derogatory term for gay people.

## assume

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

*synonym* : guess, presume, suppose

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

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

## feverish

*adj.* having or showing symptoms of a high temperature, such as sweating and shivering; characterized by or showing strong feelings of excitement or energy

*synonym* : heated, hot, agitated

(1) feel **feverish**, (2) at a **feverish** pitch

She had a **feverish** look in her eyes as she struggled with illness.

## bug

*n.* any tiny insect; a fault or defect in a computer program, system, or machine

*synonym* : insect, bacterium, microbe

(1) **bug** bites, (2) number of **bug** fixes

I found a stink **bug** crawling across the ceiling.

## obsess

*v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

*synonym* : torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

## aspiration

*n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

*synonym*: ambition, inhalation, intake

(1) no **aspiration** for fame, (2) **aspiration** into the lungs

He has an **aspiration** to become a doctor.

## ambition

*n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something

*synonym*: purpose, aim, endeavor

(1) an **ambition** for political power, (2) boundless **ambition**

Greed and **ambition** composed his personality.

## invite

*v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

*synonym*: ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism

We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

## pat

*v.* to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively

*synonym*: tap, stroke, caress

(1) **pat** on the back, (2) **pat** a dog

She **patted** the puppy on the head and gave it a treat.

## parade

*n.* a public procession, especially one celebrating a special day or event

*synonym*: procession, march, rally

(1) a military **parade**, (2) **parade** route

The annual Fourth of July **parade** is popular in the town square.

## charm

*n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people

*synonym*:

allure, appeal, beauty

(1) masculine **charm**, (2) **charm** against bad luck

These are significantly more exquisite than typical **charm** bracelets.

## grassroots

*adj.* of or relating to the ordinary people in a society or an organization as constituting a fundamental political and economic group

*synonym* : fundamental, major, elemental

(1) a **grassroots** movement for nuclear disarmament,

(2) the **grassroots** factor in making the decision

The feeling among the company's **grassroots** is that the CEO is not radical enough.

## 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.

## march

*v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

*synonym* : parade

(1) **march** against the war, (2) **march** east

The troops **marched** shoulder-to-shoulder.

## firefighter

*n.* a person whose job is to extinguish fires

(1) forest **firefighter**, (2) decided to be a **firefighter**

The **firefighter** broke into the house bravely to rescue the children.

## communal

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

*synonym* : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

**Communal** elections were held in several European countries.

## volleyball

*n.* a game played by two teams of six players, in which a ball is hit back and forth over a raised net to ground the ball on the opposing team's side of the court

*synonym* : beach ball

(1) **volleyball** coach, (2) beach **volleyball**

We had fun playing **volleyball** on the beach with friends.

## documentary

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

*synonym* : film, broadcast, doco

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

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

## ancient

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

*synonym* : archaic, age-old, obsolete

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

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

## Hibernian

*adj.* relating to or characteristic of Ireland or its people

*synonym* : Irish, Celtic, Gaelic

(1) **Hibernian** mythology, (2) **Hibernian** accent

The **Hibernian** culture is deeply rooted in Celtic traditions.

## Catholic

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

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

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

## fellow

*adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

*synonym* : buddy, mate, affiliate

(1) junior **fellow**, (2) nice **fellow**

He is the kind of **fellow** who only works for his success.

## nervous

*adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves

*synonym* : neural, anxious, uneasy

(1) development of the **nervous** system, (2) get **nervous**

He suffers from **nervous** breakdowns.

## aisle

*n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure

*synonym* : corridor, passageway, gangway

(1) **aisle** seat, (2) the center **aisle** of a church

She walked down the **aisle** to the front of the church.

## fret

*v.* to feel or express worry, anxiety, or annoyance about something; to wear away or corrode a surface by rubbing repeatedly; to form a series of parallel ridges or grooves in a material

*synonym* : worry, agonize, fuss

(1) **fret** over every little thing, (2) **fret** about the future

I couldn't help but **fret** over the presentation I have to give tomorrow.

## labor

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

*synonym* : toil, toil, donkeywork

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

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

## bounce

*v.* to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back

*synonym* : bound, leap, spring

(1) **bounce** across the floor, (2) **bounce** back from failure  
They will **bounce** between various emotional states.

## trampoline

*n.* a strong fabric sheet attached by springs to a frame, used for bouncing on

*synonym* : rebounder, bouncer, springboard

(1) **trampoline** park, (2) **trampoline** jump

I love jumping on the **trampoline** in my backyard.

## occasion

*n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

*synonym* : event, time, occurrence

(1) a glad **occasion**, (2) as **occasion** demands

She wore her best dress for the special **occasion**.

## exhaust

*n.* the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired

*synonym* : emission, fumes, (verb) deplete

(1) **exhaust** pipe, (2) **exhaust** a topic

The factory's **exhaust** fumes polluted the air and affected the health of the nearby residents.

## patience

*n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry

*synonym* : forbearance, endurance, tolerance

(1) test my **patience**, (2) show **patience**

Healing a broken heart requires **patience**, as it takes time to heal.

## stonewall

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

*synonym* : obstruct, block, impede

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

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

**riot** *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals

*synonym*: disturbance, unrest, upheaval

(1) **riot** police, (2) **riot** control gas

The **riots** in the city have left many buildings damaged and several people injured.

**unremarkable** *adj.* ordinary and not particularly interesting

*synonym*: commonplace, unmemorable, mundane

(1) completely ordinary and **unremarkable**,

(2) **unremarkable** in looks

He was very busy at work but otherwise led an **unremarkable** life.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. r\_\_n the reputation  
*v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
2. we\_\_h a cargo  
*v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
3. st\_\_l beam  
*n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
4. treat with sc\_\_n  
*n.* a feeling of contempt or disdain for someone or something seen as unworthy or inferior; an expression of contempt or ridicule
5. public ri\_\_\_\_le  
*n.* speech or behavior that makes fun of or mocks someone or something; teasing, sarcasm, or scornful remarks that are intended to belittle or humiliate; (verb) to mock, criticize, or make fun of someone or something in a scornful or derisive way
6. pa\_\_\_\_e route  
*n.* a public procession, especially one celebrating a special day or event
7. at a fe\_\_\_\_sh pitch  
*adj.* having or showing symptoms of a high temperature, such as sweating and shivering; characterized by or showing strong feelings of excitement or energy

ANSWERS: 1. ruin, 2. weigh, 3. steel, 4. scorn, 5. ridicule, 6. parade, 7. feverish



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| 8. a de____t attitude                  | <i>adj.</i> showing bold resistance or disobedience to authority, rules, or norms  |
| 9. small ch____h                       | <i>n.</i> a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination                                     |
| 10. occ_____lly dine with friends      | <i>adv.</i> now and then; sometimes but not often  |
| 11. the files are in complete di____er | <i>n.</i> an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions              |
| 12. hand ge____e                       | <i>n.</i> a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning   |
| 13. re____on between cause and effect  | <i>n.</i> the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another  |
| 14. beach vol_____ll                   | <i>n.</i> a game played by two teams of six players, in which a ball is hit back and forth over a raised net to ground the ball on the opposing team's side of the court |
| 15. the cor_____on robes               | <i>n.</i> a ceremony at which a person becomes king or queen   |
| 16. co____in about a job               | <i>v.</i> to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody  |
| 17. unr_____ble in looks               | <i>adj.</i> ordinary and not particularly interesting  |
| 18. unintended con_____ces             | <i>n.</i> the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual  |

ANSWERS: 8. defiant, 9. church, 10. occasionally, 11. disorder, 12. gesture, 13. relation, 14. volleyball, 15. coronation, 16. complain, 17. unremarkable, 18. consequence

19. junior fe\_\_\_w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
20. de\_\_\_t from the faith *v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
21. intraspecific com\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
22. bl\_\_t force *adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive
23. hom\_\_\_\_\_ia in sports *n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity
24. tra\_\_\_\_\_ne park *n.* a strong fabric sheet attached by springs to a frame, used for bouncing on
25. st\_\_\_l through the countryside *v.* to walk somewhere in a slow, relaxed way and with no apparent aim
26. sn\_\_r openly at him *v.* to show contempt or ridicule for someone or something through a facial expression or tone of voice; (noun) a contemptuous or scornful smile or remark

ANSWERS: 19. fellow, 20. depart, 21. competition, 22. blunt, 23. homophobia, 24. trampoline, 25. stroll, 26. sneer

27. feel a sl\_\_\_t concern *adj.* very small in degree or amount
28. ar\_\_e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
29. p\_\_e a fire *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
30. cr\_\_\_\_\_re of criticism *n.* a situation in which people or groups are firing weapons at each other from different directions
31. a military pa\_\_\_e *n.* a public procession, especially one celebrating a special day or event
32. ai\_\_e seat *n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure
33. p\_t a dog *v.* to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively
34. hom\_\_\_\_\_al rights *adj.* sexually attracted to people of one's own sex
35. ri\_\_\_\_\_le at his expense *n.* speech or behavior that makes fun of or mocks someone or something; teasing, sarcasm, or scornful remarks that are intended to belittle or humiliate; (verb) to mock, criticize, or make fun of someone or something in a scornful or derisive way

ANSWERS: 27. slight, 28. argue, 29. poke, 30. crossfire, 31. parade, 32. aisle, 33. pat, 34. homosexual, 35. ridicule

36. an am\_\_\_\_on for political power      *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
37. nice fe\_\_\_\_w      *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
38. a l\_\_\_\_n horse      *adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
39. p\_\_\_\_e a new path      *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
40. he was en\_\_\_\_ly to blame      *adv.* completely
41. r\_\_\_\_t control gas      *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
42. in\_\_\_\_te relationship      *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
43. the ar\_\_\_\_nt against capital punishment      *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
44. br\_\_\_\_e soldier      *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
45. p\_\_\_\_t on the back      *v.* to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively

ANSWERS: 36. ambition, 37. fellow, 38. lean, 39. pave, 40. entirely, 41. riot, 42. intimate, 43. argument, 44. brave, 45. pat

46. arrive and de\_\_\_t on time      *v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
47. in\_\_\_e life with meaning      *v.* to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
48. count your bl\_\_\_\_\_ngs      *n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
49. re\_\_\_\_\_on of inclusion      *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
50. tho\_\_\_\_\_ss comment      *adj.* lacking consideration for others; inconsiderate; not reflecting on one's actions or words; showing a lack of thought or intelligence
51. an\_\_\_s toward minorities      *n.* hostility or ill-feeling, often shown in prejudice or bias; a feeling of strong motivation or intention towards a particular goal or objective
52. a cultured pe\_\_l      *n.* a hard, roundish object found within the shells of certain mollusks and used as a gem
53. my in\_\_\_\_\_te affairs      *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
54. sn\_\_r hatefully      *v.* to show contempt or ridicule for someone or something through a facial expression or tone of voice; (noun) a contemptuous or scornful smile or remark
55. st\_\_\_\_\_ll their attempts      *v.* to refuse to answer questions or provide information; to delay discussion or decision

ANSWERS: 46. depart, 47. infuse, 48. blessing, 49. relation, 50. thoughtless, 51. animus, 52. pearl, 53. intimate, 54. sneer, 55. stonewall

56. int\_\_\_\_\_ly motivated *adv.* from the inherent nature or quality of something or arising from within
57. decided to be a fir\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person whose job is to extinguish fires
58. get ne\_\_\_\_\_s *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
59. occ\_\_\_\_\_ly change the routine *adv.* now and then; sometimes but not often
60. de\_\_\_\_\_te a wall *v.* to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc
61. local l\_d *n.* a young boy or man, often used in an informal or affectionate way
62. ma\_\_h east *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
63. de\_\_\_e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
64. the center ai\_\_\_e of a church *n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure
65. in\_\_\_e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
66. a blazing ar\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
67. or\_\_\_\_\_ge director *n.* an institution for the care of orphans (= a child whose parents are dead)

ANSWERS: 56. intrinsically, 57. firefighter, 58. nervous, 59. occasionally, 60. decorate, 61. lad, 62. march, 63. define, 64. aisle, 65. invite, 66. argument, 67. orphanage

68. ob\_\_\_s over her weight *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
69. clean up the s\_\_t *n.* a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat
70. co\_\_\_\_\_t level *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
71. build an or\_\_\_\_\_ge *n.* an institution for the care of orphans (= a child whose parents are dead)
72. ph\_\_\_a treatment *n.* an extreme or irrational fear of a particular object, person, situation, or activity; a type of anxiety disorder
73. unc\_\_\_\_\_us bias *adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness
74. ca\_\_\_\_\_ee vacation *adj.* without worries or concerns; free from anxiety, responsibility, or constraints
75. a reckless at\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
76. spacious co\_\_\_\_\_rd *n.* an open space surrounded by buildings or walls, often in the center of a building or group of buildings
77. church pu\_\_\_t *n.* a raised platform or lectern in a church or synagogue from which a member of the clergy delivers a sermon or religious address

ANSWERS: 68. obsess, 69. spat, 70. comfort, 71. orphanage, 72. phobia, 73. unconscious, 74. carefree, 75. attempt, 76. courtyard, 77. pulpit

78. with de\_\_\_\_t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
79. ins\_\_\_\_\_ize a system *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
80. ca\_\_\_l dress *adj.* relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness
81. g\_y rights *adj.* homosexual; happy, carefree
82. a con\_\_\_\_\_ly innovative enterprise *adv.* all the time
83. co\_\_r in fear *v.* to crouch or curl up in fear or apprehension; to shrink or recoil from something threatening, usually physically or mentally
84. s\_\_t at law *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
85. a con\_\_\_\_\_ly varying mind *adv.* all the time
86. burn with je\_\_\_\_\_sy *n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
87. sp\_\_t a bill *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
88. ass\_\_\_\_\_te into society *v.* to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate

ANSWERS: 78. delight, 79. institutionalize, 80. casual, 81. gay, 82. constantly, 83. cower, 84. suit, 85. constantly, 86. jealousy, 87. split, 88. assimilate



89. p\_\_r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
90. turn out to be all s\_\_m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
91. quiet co\_\_\_\_\_rd *n.* an open space surrounded by buildings or walls, often in the center of a building or group of buildings
92. si\_\_\_t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
93. a st\_\_\_\_\_ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
94. b\_g bites *n.* any tiny insect; a fault or defect in a computer program, system, or machine
95. g\_y couple *adj.* homosexual; happy, carefree
96. an or\_\_\_\_\_ry school *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
97. deep-seated an\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* strong hostility or hatred towards someone or something, often resulting in conflict or ill-will
98. act con\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* with awareness; in a deliberate manner
99. ca\_\_\_\_\_ee attitude *adj.* without worries or concerns; free from anxiety, responsibility, or constraints
100. standing at the pu\_\_\_t *n.* a raised platform or lectern in a church or synagogue from which a member of the clergy delivers a sermon or religious address

ANSWERS: 89. peer, 90. sham, 91. courtyard, 92. silent, 93. straight, 94. bug, 95. gay, 96. ordinary, 97. animosity, 98. consciously, 99. carefree, 100. pulpit

101. personal an\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* strong hostility or hatred towards someone or something, often resulting in conflict or ill-will
102. pretty sp\_\_\_\_\_le *n.* something or someone seen, especially a notable or unusual sight; an optical device consisting of a frame that houses a pair of lenses for correcting defective vision
103. cor\_\_\_\_\_on ceremony *n.* a ceremony at which a person becomes king or queen
104. ideological an\_\_\_\_s *n.* hostility or ill-feeling, often shown in prejudice or bias; a feeling of strong motivation or intention towards a particular goal or objective
105. dic\_\_\_\_\_ry definition *n.* a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation
106. as\_\_\_e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
107. im\_\_\_\_\_on illegal immigrant *v.* to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement
108. gl\_\_n important information *v.* to collect information, knowledge, etc., in small amounts and often with difficulty; to gather, as natural products
109. the city of So\_\_m *n.* a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men

ANSWERS: 101. animosity, 102. spectacle, 103. coronation, 104. animus, 105. dictionary, 106. assume, 107. imprison, 108. glean, 109. Sodom

110. completely ordinary and unr\_\_\_\_\_ble *adj.* ordinary and not particularly interesting
111. le\_\_\_\_\_n relationship *n.* a woman who is attracted romantically and sexually to other women
112. di\_\_\_\_\_s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
113. manual la\_\_r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
114. filled with empty pi\_\_\_e *n.* meaningless or foolish talk, often used to imply that something is trivial, insignificant, or unimportant
115. vol\_\_\_\_\_ll coach *n.* a game played by two teams of six players, in which a ball is hit back and forth over a raised net to ground the ball on the opposing team's side of the court
116. show di\_\_\_\_\_t at his actions *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
117. r\_\_n the plan *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
118. ins\_\_\_\_\_ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
119. d\_e a T-shirt red *v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance

ANSWERS: 110. unremarkable, 111. lesbian, 112. discuss, 113. labor, 114. piffle, 115. volleyball, 116. disgust, 117. ruin, 118. institutionalize, 119. dye

120. f\_\_t about the future      *v.* to feel or express worry, anxiety, or annoyance about something; to wear away or corrode a surface by rubbing repeatedly; to form a series of parallel ridges or grooves in a material
121. p\_\_e around the desk      *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
122. development of the ne\_\_\_\_s system      *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
123. s\_\_n a document into PDF      *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
124. in\_\_\_\_e guests      *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
125. d\_\_p from the vicious wound      *v.* to fall in drops or make it fall in drops; (noun) liquid or moisture that falls in drops
126. for your own s\_\_e      *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
127. en\_\_\_\_ly satisfied with the meal      *adv.* completely
128. irr\_\_\_\_al numbers      *adj.* not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking; (mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers
129. with an unc\_\_\_\_\_ble face      *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
130. de\_\_e competition      *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

ANSWERS: 120. fret, 121. poke, 122. nervous, 123. scan, 124. invite, 125. drip, 126. sake, 127. entirely, 128. irrational, 129. uncomfortable, 130. debate

131. c\_\_l around street corners *v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
132. n\_\_m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
133. de\_\_\_\_te for Christmas *v.* to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc
134. pointless pi\_\_\_\_e *n.* meaningless or foolish talk, often used to imply that something is trivial, insignificant, or unimportant
135. a bac\_\_\_\_\_nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
136. a slim wa\_\_t *n.* the part of the human body between the ribs and hips or the corresponding part in other animals
137. an\_\_\_\_ng habit *adj.* making someone feel slightly angry
138. adj\_\_\_\_\_nt by hand *n.* a small change or movement made to something to improve it and achieve the desired result
139. a bu\_\_h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
140. dis\_\_\_\_\_rt in the abdomen *n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain

ANSWERS: 131. curl, 132. norm, 133. decorate, 134. piffle, 135. background, 136. waist, 137. annoying, 138. adjustment, 139. bunch, 140. discomfort

141. je\_\_\_\_sy feeling towards another person *n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
142. bo\_\_\_e across the floor *v.* to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back
143. magnetic st\_\_l *n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
144. tho\_\_\_\_ss mistake *adj.* lacking consideration for others; inconsiderate; not reflecting on one's actions or words; showing a lack of thought or intelligence
145. ab\_\_\_b a shock *v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
146. social ph\_\_\_a *n.* an extreme or irrational fear of a particular object, person, situation, or activity; a type of anxiety disorder
147. ex\_\_\_\_e a bold strategy *v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.
148. pr\_\_\_r physics to chemistry *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
149. feel fe\_\_\_\_sh *adj.* having or showing symptoms of a high temperature, such as sweating and shivering; characterized by or showing strong feelings of excitement or energy
150. ma\_\_\_n influence *v.* to speak or write about someone or something in a harmful or critical way; (adjective) evil or harmful in nature or influence

ANSWERS: 141. jealousy, 142. bounce, 143. steel, 144. thoughtless, 145. absorb, 146. phobia, 147. execute, 148. prefer, 149. feverish, 150. malign

151. hom\_\_\_\_\_al marriage *adj.* sexually attracted to people of one's own sex
152. l\_\_n athletic figure *adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
153. de\_\_\_e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
154. a pa\_\_\_\_\_el case *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
155. a doc\_\_\_\_\_ry film *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
156. feel a bit gu\_\_\_y *adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
157. st\_\_\_\_\_ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
158. an unc\_\_\_\_\_ble silence *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
159. the con\_\_\_\_\_ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

ANSWERS: 151. homosexual, 152. lean, 153. debate, 154. parallel, 155. documentary, 156. guilty, 157. straight, 158. uncomfortable, 159. consequence

160. wa\_\_\_r far from home      *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
161. ge\_\_\_\_\_e of goodwill      *n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
162. a criminal bac\_\_\_\_\_nd      *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
163. gl\_\_n the fields      *v.* to collect information, knowledge, etc., in small amounts and often with difficulty; to gather, as natural products
164. source of am\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* the state or experience of finding something humorous or entertaining
165. sp\_\_t a reward equally      *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
166. fe\_\_h a ball      *v.* to go and bring back something or someone; to retrieve or obtain something
167. a fine adj\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a small change or movement made to something to improve it and achieve the desired result
168. s\_\_t and tie restaurant      *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

ANSWERS: 160. wander, 161. gesture, 162. background, 163. glean, 164. amusement, 165. split, 166. fetch, 167. adjustment, 168. suit



169. a cl\_\_\_\_r of stars *n.* a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit
170. the Ca\_\_\_\_ic Church *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
171. ca\_\_\_\_ic in his tastes *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
172. b\_n gender-related job discrimination *v.* to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something
173. his majestic pr\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
174. f\_\_t over every little thing *v.* to feel or express worry, anxiety, or annoyance about something; to wear away or corrode a surface by rubbing repeatedly; to form a series of parallel ridges or grooves in a material
175. sc\_\_\_\_l my signature *v.* to write or draw something in a careless or untidy way, often with difficulty or haste
176. public di\_\_\_\_t *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
177. th\_\_\_\_gh investigation *adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate
178. br\_\_e decision *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

ANSWERS: 169. cluster, 170. Catholic, 171. Catholic, 172. ban, 173. presence, 174. fret, 175. scrawl, 176. disgust, 177. thorough, 178. brave

179. int\_\_\_\_\_ly valuable *adv.* from the inherent nature or quality of something or arising from within
180. ex\_\_\_\_\_t a topic *n.* the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired
181. tra\_\_\_\_\_ne jump *n.* a strong fabric sheet attached by springs to a frame, used for bouncing on
182. a scholarship ass\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
183. doc\_\_\_\_\_ry proof *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
184. st\_\_\_\_\_ll the investigation *v.* to refuse to answer questions or provide information; to delay discussion or decision
185. gr\_\_\_\_\_ti tag *n.* writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place
186. ex\_\_\_\_\_t pipe *n.* the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired
187. ma\_\_\_\_\_st displeasure *v.* to show something such as feeling, attitude, quality, etc. clearly through signs or actions
188. show pa\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry

ANSWERS: 179. intrinsically, 180. exhaust, 181. trampoline, 182. association, 183. documentary, 184. stonewall, 185. graffiti, 186. exhaust, 187. manifest, 188. patience

189. de\_\_\_\_y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
190. ha\_\_\_\_r a resentment *n.* an area of water next to the coast where ships and boats are protected from rough water by piers, jetties, and other artificial structures; (verb) keep in one's possession
191. endure dis\_\_\_\_\_rt and pain *n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain
192. ar\_\_e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
193. ob\_\_\_\_\_e wildlife *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
194. words of co\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
195. act of int\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the act of instilling fear or anxiety in someone, often to make them feel inferior or submissive; the use of threats or coercion to deter someone from taking a certain course of action
196. ab\_\_\_\_b energy *v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
197. for the s\_\_e of argument *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done

ANSWERS: 189. destroy, 190. harbor, 191. discomfort, 192. argue, 193. observe, 194. comfort, 195. intimidation, 196. absorb, 197. sake

198. fear of int\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the act of instilling fear or anxiety in someone, often to make them feel inferior or submissive; the use of threats or coercion to deter someone from taking a certain course of action
199. as\_\_\_e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
200. t\_\_k into another cigarette *v.* to push a stray piece of clothing or material into a particular area or position, especially to make it more orderly or comfortable
201. ex\_\_\_\_\_e a double play *v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.
202. a person of diverse ta\_\_\_ts *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
203. ma\_\_h against the war *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
204. wa\_\_\_r alone in a strange country *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
205. b\_n any type of cloning *v.* to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something
206. bestowed bl\_\_\_\_\_ngs *n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune

ANSWERS: 198. intimidation, 199. assume, 200. tuck, 201. execute, 202. talent, 203. march, 204. wander, 205. ban, 206. blessing

207. r\_\_t police *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
208. sp\_\_\_\_\_le lens *n.* something or someone seen, especially a notable or unusual sight; an optical device consisting of a frame that houses a pair of lenses for correcting defective vision
209. a co\_\_\_\_\_nt temperature *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
210. a tremor of de\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
211. d\_e patterns *v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance
212. ma\_\_\_n the politician in the media *v.* to speak or write about someone or something in a harmful or critical way; (adjective) evil or harmful in nature or influence
213. pe\_\_l beyond price *n.* a hard, roundish object found within the shells of certain mollusks and used as a gem
214. adopt an attitude of de\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* behavior characterized by an open refusal to obey someone or something
215. im\_\_\_\_\_on myself within the room *v.* to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement
216. he is ob\_\_\_sed with the fear *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
217. a person who is unc\_\_\_\_\_us *adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness

ANSWERS: 207. riot, 208. spectacle, 209. constant, 210. delight, 211. dye, 212. malign, 213. pearl, 214. defiance, 215. imprison, 216. obsess, 217. unconscious

218. number of b\_g fixes *n.* any tiny insect; a fault or defect in a computer program, system, or machine
219. t\_\_k a baby in the blanket *v.* to push a stray piece of clothing or material into a particular area or position, especially to make it more orderly or comfortable
220. sl\_\_\_t increase *adj.* very small in degree or amount
221. le\_\_\_\_\_n love *n.* a woman who is attracted romantically and sexually to other women
222. or\_\_\_\_\_ry annual revenue *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
223. di\_\_\_\_\_s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
224. in\_\_\_e with spirit *v.* to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
225. call and co\_\_\_\_\_in frequently *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
226. sc\_\_\_l a message *v.* to write or draw something in a careless or untidy way, often with difficulty or haste
227. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
228. bi\_\_\_\_\_al lifestyle *adj.* attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women

ANSWERS: 218. bug, 219. tuck, 220. slight, 221. lesbian, 222. ordinary, 223. discuss, 224. infuse, 225. complain, 226. scrawl, 227. eventually, 228. bisexual

229. pr\_\_\_r a window seat      *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
230. ch\_\_m against bad luck      *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
231. dec\_\_\_\_\_ize abortion      *v.* to eliminate or reduce the criminal penalties associated with an act or behavior; to make legal or permissible something that was previously outlawed or punishable by law
232. wa\_\_t measurement      *n.* the part of the human body between the ribs and hips or the corresponding part in other animals
233. working-class l\_d      *n.* a young boy or man, often used in an informal or affectionate way
234. a bu\_\_h of trees      *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
235. ad\_\_\_\_\_e the technology      *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
236. boundless am\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
237. cl\_\_\_h at any straw      *v.* to grasp and hold somebody or something tightly
238. de\_\_\_\_\_yed evidence      *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
239. ce\_\_\_\_\_te life      *adj.* abstaining from sexual relations, typically for religious reasons; unmarried or single
240. re\_\_t against his way of thinking      *v.* to take action in response to something

ANSWERS: 229. prefer, 230. charm, 231. decriminalize, 232. waist, 233. lad, 234. bunch, 235. advance, 236. ambition, 237. clutch, 238. destroy, 239. celibate, 240. react

241. gr\_\_\_\_ti art *n.* writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place
242. ad\_\_\_\_e a cooperative relationship *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
243. a sheltered ha\_\_\_\_r *n.* an area of water next to the coast where ships and boats are protected from rough water by piers, jetties, and other artificial structures; (verb) keep in one's possession
244. bl\_\_t criticism *adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive
245. Hi\_\_\_\_an mythology *adj.* relating to or characteristic of Ireland or its people
246. ass\_\_\_\_te a language *v.* to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
247. cl\_\_\_\_hed her daughter to her breast *v.* to grasp and hold somebody or something tightly
248. So\_\_m and Gomorrah *n.* a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men
249. masculine ch\_\_m *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
250. a glad oc\_\_\_\_on *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

ANSWERS: 241. graffiti, 242. advance, 243. harbor, 244. blunt, 245. Hibernian, 246. assimilate, 247. clutch, 248. Sodom, 249. charm, 250. occasion



251. people with bipolar di\_\_\_\_er      *n.* an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions
252. fierce de\_\_\_\_ce      *n.* behavior characterized by an open refusal to obey someone or something
253. minor s\_\_t      *n.* a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat
254. gu\_\_\_y verdict      *adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
255. cultural n\_\_m      *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
256. pa\_\_\_\_el processing      *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
257. ch\_\_\_h bell      *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
258. no asp\_\_\_\_\_on for fame      *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
259. live in a cl\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit

ANSWERS: 251. disorder, 252. defiance, 253. spat, 254. guilty, 255. norm, 256. parallel, 257. church, 258. aspiration, 259. cluster

260. raw ta___t	<i>n.</i>	a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
261. the first round of the com_____on	<i>n.</i>	a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
262. con_____ly aware of a problem	<i>adv.</i>	with awareness; in a deliberate manner
263. the gra_____ts factor in making the decision	<i>adj.</i>	of or relating to the ordinary people in a society or an organization as constituting a fundamental political and economic group
264. t__e cycle	<i>n.</i>	the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
265. an_____ng banner ad	<i>adj.</i>	making someone feel slightly angry
266. expression of sc__n	<i>n.</i>	a feeling of contempt or disdain for someone or something seen as unworthy or inferior; an expression of contempt or ridicule
267. the most am_____g feeling	<i>adj.</i>	extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
268. a co_____nt wind	<i>adj.</i>	happening repeatedly or all the time
269. ma_____st as the word	<i>v.</i>	to show something such as feeling, attitude, quality, etc. clearly through signs or actions
270. a gra_____ts movement for nuclear disarmament	<i>adj.</i>	of or relating to the ordinary people in a society or an organization as constituting a fundamental political and economic group

ANSWERS: 260. talent, 261. competition, 262. consciously, 263. grassroots, 264. tide, 265. annoying, 266. scorn, 267. amazing, 268. constant, 269. manifest, 270. grassroots

271. test my pa\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry
272. de\_\_\_e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
273. the at\_\_\_\_\_t to rescue the hostages *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
274. de\_\_\_e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
275. sc\_\_\_\_\_le my mind *v.* to move or climb quickly and awkwardly, often using your hands to help you
276. pre-Christian an\_\_\_\_\_t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
277. st\_\_\_l across a street *v.* to walk somewhere in a slow, relaxed way and with no apparent aim
278. p\_\_h restaurant *adj.* elegant, fashionable, or luxurious, often to an excessive or ostentatious degree; associated with the upper classes or a high level of social status
279. am\_\_\_\_\_nt quarters *n.* the state or experience of finding something humorous or entertaining
280. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

ANSWERS: 271. patience, 272. define, 273. attempt, 274. decide, 275. scramble, 276. ancient, 277. stroll, 278. posh, 279. amusement, 280. eventually

281. d\_\_p liquid *v.* to fall in drops or make it fall in drops; (noun) liquid or moisture that falls in drops
282. an\_\_\_\_t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
283. co\_\_\_\_al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
284. dec\_\_\_\_\_ize public drunkenness *v.* to eliminate or reduce the criminal penalties associated with an act or behavior; to make legal or permissible something that was previously outlawed or punishable by law
285. cr\_\_\_\_\_re casualty *n.* a situation in which people or groups are firing weapons at each other from different directions
286. asp\_\_\_\_\_on into the lungs *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
287. 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
288. 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
289. hom\_\_\_\_\_ia awareness *n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

ANSWERS: 281. drip, 282. ancient, 283. communal, 284. decriminalize, 285. crossfire, 286. aspiration, 287. struggle, 288. decide, 289. homophobia

290. p\_\_h district *adj.* elegant, fashionable, or luxurious, often to an excessive or ostentatious degree; associated with the upper classes or a high level of social status
291. bi\_\_\_\_al orientation *adj.* attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women
292. forest fir\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person whose job is to extinguish fires
293. p\_\_r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
294. de\_\_\_\_t eye *adj.* showing bold resistance or disobedience to authority, rules, or norms
295. a c\_\_l of smoke *v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
296. ce\_\_\_\_te priest *adj.* abstaining from sexual relations, typically for religious reasons; unmarried or single
297. give si\_\_\_\_t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
298. bo\_\_\_\_e back from failure *v.* to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back
299. the evidence of the pr\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
300. we\_\_h heavily on stock prices *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion

ANSWERS: 290. posh, 291. bisexual, 292. firefighter, 293. peer, 294. defiant, 295. curl, 296. celibate, 297. silent, 298. bounce, 299. presence, 300. weigh

301. online dic\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation
302. seasonal la\_\_r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
303. a s\_\_m battle *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
304. re\_\_t at a high temperature *v.* to take action in response to something
305. fe\_\_h the mail *v.* to go and bring back something or someone; to retrieve or obtain something
306. co\_\_r under pressure *v.* to crouch or curl up in fear or apprehension; to shrink or recoil from something threatening, usually physically or mentally
307. Hi\_\_\_\_\_an accent *adj.* relating to or characteristic of Ireland or its people
308. an irr\_\_\_\_\_al request *adj.* not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking; (mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers
309. as oc\_\_\_\_\_on demands *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

ANSWERS: 301. dictionary, 302. labor, 303. sham, 304. react, 305. fetch, 306. cower, 307. Hibernian, 308. irrational, 309. occasion

310. co\_\_\_\_al combination of funds      *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
311. 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
312. ride the t\_\_e of change      *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
313. take a ca\_\_\_\_l glance      *adj.* relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness
314. word ass\_\_\_\_\_\_ons      *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
315. am\_\_\_\_g advances      *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
316. sc\_\_\_\_le for support      *v.* to move or climb quickly and awkwardly, often using your hands to help you
317. s\_\_n the face of the man      *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
318. provide th\_\_\_\_gh analysis      *adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate
319. ob\_\_\_\_e a tradition      *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

ANSWERS: 310. communal, 311. struggle, 312. tide, 313. casual, 314. association, 315. amazing, 316. scramble, 317. scan, 318. thorough, 319. observe

320. p\_\_e a smoother road

v. to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

ANSWERS: 320. pave



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I love jumping on the \_\_\_\_\_ in my backyard.  
*n.* a strong fabric sheet attached by springs to a frame, used for bouncing on
2. He got a new job for the \_\_\_\_\_ of his family.  
*n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
3. He walked a road \_\_\_\_\_ to the railroad.  
*adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
4. The soldiers found themselves caught in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the enemy's artillery barrage.  
*n.* a situation in which people or groups are firing weapons at each other from different directions
5. She cinched her dress at the \_\_\_\_\_ to accentuate her hourglass figure.  
*n.* the part of the human body between the ribs and hips or the corresponding part in other animals
6. The law was repealed to protect the rights of \_\_\_\_\_ citizens.  
*adj.* sexually attracted to people of one's own sex
7. The data he prepared was completely \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
8. He carefully interviewed the victims and tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the details of the culprit.  
*v.* to collect information, knowledge, etc., in small amounts and often with difficulty; to gather, as natural products

ANSWERS: 1. trampoline, 2. sake, 3. parallel, 4. crossfire, 5. waist, 6. homosexual, 7. sham, 8. glean

9. The \_\_\_\_\_ between the two neighbors escalated into a heated argument.
- n.* a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat
10. The doctor prescribed some medicine for the mental \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions
11. The \_\_\_\_\_ broke into the house bravely to rescue the children.
- n.* a person whose job is to extinguish fires
12. The cat \_\_\_\_\_ into a ball and went to sleep.
- v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
13. The older man gave the young \_\_\_\_\_ some helpful life advice.
- n.* a young boy or man, often used in an informal or affectionate way
14. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.
- n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
15. She \_\_\_\_\_ fresh herbs into the soup for added flavor.
- v.* to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
16. The \_\_\_\_\_ session of the Diet opened.
- adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

ANSWERS: 9. spat, 10. disorder, 11. firefighter, 12. curled, 13. lad, 14. delight, 15. infused, 16. ordinary

17. He won an award for that short \_\_\_\_\_.

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

18. The \_\_\_\_\_ knife made it difficult to cut through the tough steak.

*adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive

19. She stood on the podium and \_\_\_\_\_ an audience.

*v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

20. A \_\_\_\_\_ of grapes hung from the vine.

*n.* a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit

21. As a monk, he took a vow of \_\_\_\_\_ and refrained from any romantic relationships.

*adj.* abstaining from sexual relations, typically for religious reasons; unmarried or single

22. He felt no \_\_\_\_\_ as the dentist drilled his deadened tooth.

*n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain

23. Many activists are pushing for laws to \_\_\_\_\_ marijuana use.

*v.* to eliminate or reduce the criminal penalties associated with an act or behavior; to make legal or permissible something that was previously outlawed or punishable by law

ANSWERS: 17. documentary, 18. blunt, 19. scanned, 20. cluster, 21. celibate, 22. discomfort, 23. decriminalize

24. 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
25. The politician responded to the heckler with a look of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a feeling of contempt or disdain for someone or something seen as unworthy or inferior; an expression of contempt or ridicule
26. The corporation \_\_\_\_\_ dominated the entire tobacco business.
- adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
27. To advance this discussion, we must \_\_\_\_\_ "success" rigorously.
- v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
28. How did he \_\_\_\_\_ to your idea?
- v.* to take action in response to something
29. She \_\_\_\_\_ at his attempts to impress her.
- v.* to show contempt or ridicule for someone or something through a facial expression or tone of voice; (noun) a contemptuous or scornful smile or remark
30. It is important to \_\_\_\_\_ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.
- v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
31. Numerous great professional sports \_\_\_\_\_ have come from this city.
- n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

ANSWERS: 24. decide, 25. scorn, 26. eventually, 27. define, 28. react, 29. sneered, 30. observe, 31. talents

32. These are significantly more exquisite than typical \_\_\_\_\_ bracelets.
- n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
33. She wore her best dress for the special \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
34. In several countries, child \_\_\_\_\_ is a serious social problem.
- n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
35. I found a stink \_\_\_\_ crawling across the ceiling.
- n.* any tiny insect; a fault or defect in a computer program, system, or machine
36. She described herself as \_\_\_\_\_ having been in relationships with male and female partners.
- adj.* attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women
37. The mafioso who collaborated with the police was \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.
38. The CEO's office was decorated in a \_\_\_\_ and elegant style.
- adj.* elegant, fashionable, or luxurious, often to an excessive or ostentatious degree; associated with the upper classes or a high level of social status
39. She made a facial \_\_\_\_\_ to express disagreement.
- n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning

ANSWERS: 32. charm, 33. occasion, 34. labor, 35. bug, 36. bisexual, 37. executed, 38. posh, 39. gesture

40. The \_\_\_\_\_ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.
- n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
41. She \_\_\_\_\_ the puppy on the head and gave it a treat.
- v.* to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively
42. You should \_\_\_\_\_ your shirt into your trousers.
- v.* to push a stray piece of clothing or material into a particular area or position, especially to make it more orderly or comfortable
43. They have been living near water since \_\_\_\_\_ times.
- adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
44. The sponge \_\_\_\_\_ water well.
- v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
45. She could not help watching the sad \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* something or someone seen, especially a notable or unusual sight; an optical device consisting of a frame that houses a pair of lenses for correcting defective vision
46. He was sick for five \_\_\_\_\_ days.
- adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
47. The Prime Minister \_\_\_\_\_ his regret for his neighbors
- v.* to show something such as feeling, attitude, quality, etc. clearly through signs or actions

ANSWERS: 40. debate, 41. patted, 42. tuck, 43. ancient, 44. absorbs, 45. spectacle, 46. straight, 47. manifested

48. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
- v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
49. The hotel's beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ was the perfect spot for a wedding reception.
- n.* an open space surrounded by buildings or walls, often in the center of a building or group of buildings
50. The city spent a lot of money cleaning up the \_\_\_\_\_ on the buildings downtown.
- n.* writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place
51. The phone call is an \_\_\_\_\_ interruption.
- adj.* making someone feel slightly angry
52. They \_\_\_\_\_ fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.
- v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
53. Water is \_\_\_\_\_ from the faucet.
- v.* to fall in drops or make it fall in drops; (noun) liquid or moisture that falls in drops
54. He \_\_\_\_\_ criticizes her in the publicity.
- adv.* with awareness; in a deliberate manner
55. We should \_\_\_\_\_ mildly violent video games from a child's development perspective.
- v.* to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something

ANSWERS: 48. discuss, 49. courtyard, 50. graffiti, 51. annoying, 52. poked, 53. dripping, 54. consciously, 55. ban

56. The immigrant struggled to \_\_\_\_\_ into the new culture.

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

57. The tsunami swamped every boat in the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* an area of water next to the coast where ships and boats are protected from rough water by piers, jetties, and other artificial structures; (verb) keep in one's possession

58. His membership in the \_\_\_\_\_ provided him with numerous benefits.

*n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship

59. Later, his claim was found to be \_\_\_\_\_ false.

*adv.* completely

60. They continued to endure \_\_\_\_\_ treatment by the dictatorship.

*adj.* not based on, or not using reason or clear thinking; (mathematics) a real number that cannot be expressed as the ratio of two integers

61. I know his \_\_\_\_\_ habit that he touches his face when he lies.

*adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness

62. She walked down the \_\_\_\_\_ to the front of the church.

*n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure

63. He found \_\_\_\_\_ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

*n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

ANSWERS: 56. assimilate, 57. harbor, 58. association, 59. entirely, 60. irrational, 61. unconscious, 62. aisle, 63. comfort



64. Healing a broken heart requires \_\_\_\_\_ as it takes time to heal.
- n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry
65. The actress \_\_\_\_\_ in humiliation as the audience booed her performance.
- v.* to crouch or curl up in fear or apprehension; to shrink or recoil from something threatening, usually physically or mentally
66. The birds \_\_\_\_\_ open water areas with reeds around them.
- v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
67. She quickly \_\_\_\_\_ her phone number on paper before running out the door.
- v.* to write or draw something in a careless or untidy way, often with difficulty or haste
68. She still \_\_\_\_\_ writes a short romance novel.
- adv.* now and then; sometimes but not often
69. The building was \_\_\_\_\_ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.
- v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
70. We went to the \_\_\_\_\_ park and rode roller coasters all day.
- n.* the state or experience of finding something humorous or entertaining
71. Our users are often \_\_\_\_\_ about the slow application.
- v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
72. This bridge is the third largest \_\_\_\_\_ bridge in the world.
- n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure

ANSWERS: 64. patience, 65. cowered, 66. prefer, 67. scrawled, 68. occasionally, 69. destroyed, 70. amusement, 71. complaining, 72. steel

73. They \_\_\_\_\_ the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.  
*v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
74. I miss the \_\_\_\_\_ days of my childhood when I didn't have to worry about anything.  
*adj.* without worries or concerns; free from anxiety, responsibility, or constraints
75. The annual Fourth of July \_\_\_\_\_ is popular in the town square.  
*n.* a public procession, especially one celebrating a special day or event
76. He is the kind of \_\_\_\_\_ who only works for his success.  
*adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
77. The factory's \_\_\_\_\_ fumes polluted the air and affected the health of the nearby residents.  
*n.* the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired
78. The couple began to \_\_\_\_\_ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.  
*v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
79. His explanation was a load of \_\_\_\_\_ lacking any substance or logical reasoning.  
*n.* meaningless or foolish talk, often used to imply that something is trivial, insignificant, or unimportant
80. He was very busy at work but otherwise led an \_\_\_\_\_ life.  
*adj.* ordinary and not particularly interesting

ANSWERS: 73. paved, 74. carefree, 75. parade, 76. fellow, 77. exhaust, 78. argue, 79. piffle, 80. unremarkable

81. He has an \_\_\_\_\_ knowledge of American history.

*adj.* having a very close friendship, personal

82. The \_\_\_\_\_ between the two political parties has only grown stronger over the years.

*n.* strong hostility or hatred towards someone or something, often resulting in conflict or ill-will

83. The preacher delivered a sermon from the \_\_\_\_\_ inspiring the congregation.

*n.* a raised platform or lectern in a church or synagogue from which a member of the clergy delivers a sermon or religious address

84. We made \_\_\_\_\_ modifications to reflect the views of both sides.

*adj.* very small in degree or amount

85. We could \_\_\_\_\_ into town if you like.

*v.* to walk somewhere in a slow, relaxed way and with no apparent aim

86. Local business owners \_\_\_\_\_ to find skilled workers.

*v.* to move or climb quickly and awkwardly, often using your hands to help you

87. Greed and \_\_\_\_\_ composed his personality.

*n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something

88. The kindness of strangers is \_\_\_\_\_ rewarding, even when no reward is expected.

*adv.* from the inherent nature or quality of something or arising from within

89. Red \_\_\_\_\_ is often harmful to the local ecosystem.

*n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull

ANSWERS: 81. intimate, 82. animosity, 83. pulpit, 84. slight, 85. stroll, 86. scrambled, 87. ambition, 88. intrinsically, 89. tide

90. Global \_\_\_\_\_ is rising in virtually every industry.  
*n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
91. He grew up in a Christian \_\_\_\_\_ and never knew his biological parents.  
*n.* an institution for the care of orphans (= a child whose parents are dead)
92. The path to a solid online \_\_\_\_\_ necessitates a high technical ability.  
*n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
93. She has a \_\_\_\_\_ of spiders and always avoids them.  
*n.* an extreme or irrational fear of a particular object, person, situation, or activity;  
a type of anxiety disorder
94. We \_\_\_\_\_ before the temperature fell below zero.  
*v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
95. Sociologists are now interested in \_\_\_\_\_ world peace.  
*adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated  
with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
96. We want to \_\_\_\_\_ you to our annual charity event.  
*v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for  
something to happen or take place
97. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the city have left many buildings damaged and several people  
injured.  
*n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of  
property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals

ANSWERS: 90. competition, 91. orphanage, 92. presence, 93. phobia, 94. departed,  
95. catholic, 96. invite, 97. riots

98. The company's decision to close the factory was motivated by a deep \_\_\_\_\_ toward its workers.
- n.* hostility or ill-feeling, often shown in prejudice or bias; a feeling of strong motivation or intention towards a particular goal or objective
99. Among young people, \_\_\_\_\_ pressure can be pretty influential.
- n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
100. I couldn't help but \_\_\_\_\_ over the presentation I have to give tomorrow.
- v.* to feel or express worry, anxiety, or annoyance about something; to wear away or corrode a surface by rubbing repeatedly; to form a series of parallel ridges or grooves in a material
101. Scientific knowledge will \_\_\_\_\_ significantly with the power of AI.
- v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
102. The golfer recorded an \_\_\_\_\_ distance.
- adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
103. Receiving support from his friends was a great \_\_\_\_\_ in his time of need.
- n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
104. \_\_\_\_\_ dropping wears away the stone.
- adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
105. The industrial \_\_\_\_\_ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
- n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

ANSWERS: 98. animus, 99. peer, 100. fret, 101. advance, 102. amazing, 103. blessing, 104. Constant, 105. relations

106. She \_\_\_\_\_ her hair purple for a change.

*v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance

107. I often \_\_\_\_\_ around the park for half an hour.

*v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

108. The \_\_\_\_\_ actions of the students caused damage to the school property.

*adj.* lacking consideration for others; inconsiderate; not reflecting on one's actions or words; showing a lack of thought or intelligence

109. He was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ and fear for the threat of war.

*n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval

110. The new policy aims to \_\_\_\_\_ the use of renewable energy sources.

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

111. He acted in \_\_\_\_\_ of our decision.

*n.* behavior characterized by an open refusal to obey someone or something

112. A \_\_\_\_\_ brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.

*adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate

113. The third \_\_\_\_\_ was far more successful.

*n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

114. The government \_\_\_\_\_ the opposition party's efforts to access information about the project.

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

ANSWERS: 106. dyed, 107. wander, 108. thoughtless, 109. disgust, 110. institutionalize, 111. defiance, 112. thorough, 113. attempt, 114. stonewalled

115. One bad apple spoils the whole \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

116. The \_\_\_\_\_ firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

*adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

117. She had a \_\_\_\_\_ look in her eyes as she struggled with illness.

*adj.* having or showing symptoms of a high temperature, such as sweating and shivering; characterized by or showing strong feelings of excitement or energy

118. The \_\_\_\_\_ student refused to follow the teacher's instructions and continued to talk during class.

*adj.* showing bold resistance or disobedience to authority, rules, or norms

119. Could you help me \_\_\_\_\_ the ball from the other side of the field?

*v.* to go and bring back something or someone; to retrieve or obtain something

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

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

121. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the new king was a grand event.

*n.* a ceremony at which a person becomes king or queen

122. Companies often \_\_\_\_\_ their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.

*v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line

123. The baby \_\_\_\_\_ 1 pound 3 oz.

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

ANSWERS: 115. bunch, 116. brave, 117. feverish, 118. defiant, 119. fetch, 120. uncomfortable, 121. coronation, 122. split, 123. weighs

124. The article \_\_\_\_\_ the company's reputation with false accusations.  
*v.* to speak or write about someone or something in a harmful or critical way; (adjective) evil or harmful in nature or influence
125. The \_\_\_\_\_ couple was denied the right to marry due to the conservative laws in their state.  
*n.* a woman who is attracted romantically and sexually to other women
126. These economic activities had disastrous environmental \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
127. \_\_\_\_\_ operational improvements often lead to better environmental performance.  
*adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
128. The \_\_\_\_\_ pride parade was a celebration of diversity and acceptance.  
*adj.* homosexual; happy, carefree
129. They \_\_\_\_\_ the room with balloons and streamers for the birthday party.  
*v.* to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc
130. 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
131. The politician's remarks about same-sex marriage revealed his deep-seated \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

ANSWERS: 124. maligned, 125. lesbian, 126. consequences, 127. Lean, 128. gay, 129. decorated, 130. struggle, 131. homophobia



132. Six \_\_\_\_\_ are awaiting trial or verdict.

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

133. She wore a \_\_\_\_\_ necklace passed down to her from her grandmother.

*n.* a hard, roundish object found within the shells of certain mollusks and used as a gem

134. The mobile application industry is \_\_\_\_\_ changing.

*adv.* all the time

135. He assumed the role of the arbitral \_\_\_\_\_ of the controversy.

*n.* a small change or movement made to something to improve it and achieve the desired result

136. \_\_\_\_\_ elections were held in several European countries.

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

137. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.

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

138. He knocked over the red wine and \_\_\_\_\_ the tablecloth.

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

139. After much contemplation, the suspect decided to plead \_\_\_\_\_ to the theft charge.

*adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal

ANSWERS: 132. suits, 133. pearl, 134. constantly, 135. adjustment, 136. Communal, 137. church, 138. ruined, 139. guilty

140. The term "\_\_\_\_\_" has become synonymous with acts of homosexuality and is used as a derogatory term for gay people.

- n.* a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men

141. The following example \_\_\_\_\_ that the capacity of each battery is the same.

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

142. I need to purchase a new English \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation

143. He was \_\_\_\_\_ for embezzlement.

- v.* to confine a person to a prison, a detention facility, or a place of involuntary confinement

144. They had a \_\_\_\_\_ conversation over coffee at the local cafe.

- adj.* relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness

145. The \_\_\_\_\_ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

- n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

146. He suffers from \_\_\_\_\_ breakdowns.

- adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves

147. The troops \_\_\_\_\_ shoulder-to-shoulder.

- v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

ANSWERS: 140. Sodom", 141. assumes, 142. dictionary, 143. imprisoned, 144. casual, 145. argument, 146. nervous, 147. marched

148. The boy \_\_\_\_\_ his mother's hand tightly as they walked in the dark.  
*v.* to grasp and hold somebody or something tightly
149. They will \_\_\_\_\_ between various emotional states.  
*v.* to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back
150. He has an \_\_\_\_\_ to become a doctor.  
*n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
151. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
152. The \_\_\_\_\_ culture is deeply rooted in Celtic traditions.  
*adj.* relating to or characteristic of Ireland or its people
153. The \_\_\_\_\_ from his classmates made him feel embarrassed and ashamed.  
*n.* speech or behavior that makes fun of or mocks someone or something; teasing, sarcasm, or scornful remarks that are intended to belittle or humiliate; (verb) to mock, criticize, or make fun of someone or something in a scornful or derisive way
154. The feeling among the company's \_\_\_\_\_ is that the CEO is not radical enough.  
*adj.* of or relating to the ordinary people in a society or an organization as constituting a fundamental political and economic group
155. The politician remained \_\_\_\_\_ despite intense media scrutiny.  
*adj.* without any or little sound

ANSWERS: 148. clutched, 149. bounce, 150. aspiration, 151. background, 152. Hibernian, 153. ridicule, 154. grassroots, 155. silent

156. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
157. His \_\_\_\_\_ of his brother's success caused a rift in their relationship.
- n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
158. We had fun playing \_\_\_\_\_ on the beach with friends.
- n.* a game played by two teams of six players, in which a ball is hit back and forth over a raised net to ground the ball on the opposing team's side of the court
159. Using \_\_\_\_\_ tactics in the workplace is unacceptable and should not be tolerated.
- n.* the act of instilling fear or anxiety in someone, often to make them feel inferior or submissive; the use of threats or coercion to deter someone from taking a certain course of action
160. He's utterly \_\_\_\_\_ with his promotion.
- v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

ANSWERS: 156. norms, 157. jealousy, 158. volleyball, 159. intimidation, 160. obsessed