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Session 1: Word List

cricket

n. leaping insect; a game played with a ball and bat by two teams of eleven players

(1) **cricket** match, (2) a pine **cricket**

The sound of the **crickets** chirping filled the air on a warm summer evening.

fairy

n. a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers

synonym : sprite, pixie, elf

(1) **fairy** tale, (2) a water **fairy**

The mischievous **fairy** flew gracefully through the forest, spreading magic wherever she went.

conscience

n. a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior

synonym : morality, ethics, scruples

(1) inner **conscience**, (2) guilty **conscience**

He couldn't bear the thought of acting against his **conscience**, even if it meant losing the job.

scandal

n. an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage

synonym : controversy, outrage, uproar

(1) **scandal** magazine, (2) a corruption **scandal**

The political **scandal** rocked the nation and led to the resignation of several high-ranking officials.

nerd

n. a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.

synonym: geek, techie, wonk

(1) a computer **nerd**, (2) **nerd** neck

He was, by nature, a cyber **nerd**.

ethical

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

synonym: honorable, moral, virtuous

(1) an **ethical** doctrine, (2) shoulder **ethical** responsibility

The president must have the highest **ethical** standards.

puppet

n. a doll or figure that is manipulated by strings, wires, or hands to represent a person or animal; a person who is controlled or manipulated by someone else

synonym: marionette, dummy, mannequin

(1) **puppet** theater, (2) corporate **puppet**

The politician was merely a **puppet** for the wealthy elite.

cuddle

v. to hold close and lovingly in one's arms, often for comfort or affection; to snuggle or nestle against someone or something

synonym: embrace, snuggle, hug

(1) **cuddle** buddy, (2) **cuddle** up with a book

I love to **cuddle** with my dog on the couch after a long day.

humble

adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

synonym: modest, unpretentious, abject

(1) a **humble** cottage, (2) **humble** opinion

The nobler, the more **humble**.

upbringing

n. the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development

synonym : childhood, background, nurturing

(1) Catholic **upbringing**, (2) family **upbringing**

His strict **upbringing** instilled in him a strong sense of responsibility.

icon

n. a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

synonym : figure, hero, idol

(1) **icon** for young people, (2) television **icon**

Some comic book characters are considered gay **icons**.

stern

adj. serious, unyielding, or strict in manner or attitude

synonym : severe, harsh, strict

(1) **stern** warning, (2) a **stern** look

The students' antics did not amuse the **stern** teacher.

warn

v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

synonym : alert, caution, admonish

(1) **warn** a reckless driver, (2) **warned** me of the plan

I attempted to **warn** him, but he ignored me.

sass

n. impudent or disrespectful talk or behavior; back talk;
(verb) to speak or behave in a disrespectful or impudent manner, often characterized by cheekiness, insolence, or backtalk

synonym : lip, impertinence, back talk

(1) bold **sass**, (2) a delightful touch of **sass**

Despite her petite stature, her fiery **sass** and fearless demeanor commanded respect.

deserve

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

synonym : merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize

The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

garbage

n. waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse

synonym : waste, trash, debris

(1) **garbage** collection, (2) lump of **garbage**

The **garbage** truck will be coming to pick up the trash every Monday morning.

gig

n. a performance by a musician or group of musicians, especially playing modern or pop music or jazz; a work that someone undertakes on a temporary basis

synonym : show, concert, engagement

(1) **gig** economy, (2) have a **gig** at the stadium

We are planning a speaking **gig** by a well-known author at a community center in a neighboring town.

decent

adj. satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense

synonym : respectable, honorable, good

(1) yearn for the **decent** living, (2) a **decent** education

He earned a **decent** salary at his job.

retire

v. to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age

synonym : relinquish, step down, withdraw

(1) **retire** voluntarily, (2) **retire** after four terms

After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to **retire** from her job.

voluntary

adj. done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced

synonym : voluntary, self-willed, spontaneous

(1) **voluntary** action, (2) **voluntary** participation

The program is **voluntary**, so participants can choose

whether or not to take part.

rank

n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

synonym: position, status, standing

(1) **rank** amateur, (2) high **rank**

He was promoted to the **rank** of captain in the military.

paternalism

n. the practice or belief of governing or managing individuals or groups in a manner that is considered to be nurturing or protective but also limiting or controlling their freedom and autonomy

synonym: guardianship, fatherliness

(1) **paternalism** in healthcare, (2) critique of **paternalism**

The CEO's leadership style was characterized by **paternalism** towards his employees.

angel

n. a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo

synonym: messenger, spirit, celestial being

(1) **angel** investors, (2) fallen **angel**

As she lay on her deathbed, a bright light appeared, and she saw a holy **angel** standing at the foot of her bed.

core

n. the most essential or fundamental part of something

synonym: center, basis, heart

(1) the **core** of an apple, (2) **core** business activity

These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic **cores**.

commitment

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

synonym: burden, obligation, promise

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

commitments

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

moral

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

synonym : honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

obligation

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

synonym : burden, commitment, debt

(1) a deep **obligation**, (2) pay an **obligation**

You are under no **obligation** to finish the job.

uncommon

adj. not occurring or seen very often; rare

synonym : rare, scarce, unusual

(1) **uncommon** occurrence, (2) **uncommon** talents

It was **uncommon** for the store to have such a big sale.

attitude

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

synonym : mindset, perspective, philosophy

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

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

mindset

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

synonym : attitude, ethos, mentality

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

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

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.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym: fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

economical

adj. providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

synonym: frugal, thrifty, parsimonious

(1) **economical** use of her time, (2) an **economical** meal

It is more **economical** to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

shareholder

n. a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company

synonym: stockholder, shareowner, investor

(1) the **shareholder's** meeting, (2) gain **shareholder**

approval

Our company is committed to increasing **shareholder** value.

primacy

n. the state or quality of being first or foremost in importance, rank, or authority

synonym: supremacy, dominance, leadership

(1) military **primacy**, (2) **primacy** of economics

New competitors threatened the company's **primacy** in the market.

profit

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

synonym: earnings, gain, proceeds

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

This business yields little **profit**.

prioritize

v. to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

synonym: rank, order, arrange

(1) **prioritize** tasks, (2) **prioritize** people over cars

The organization **prioritized** the needs of the community in its decision-making.

sensible

adj. having good sense or judgment; reasonable; practical; marked by a perception of the importance or seriousness of something

synonym : reasonable, practical, pragmatic

(1) **sensible** decision, (2) **sensible** approach

It's **sensible** to wear a helmet when riding a bike.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym : regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

rail

n. a long, thin piece of metal or wood that is used to make fences or as a support for something; (verb) to complain bitterly

synonym : bar, beam, (verb) criticize

(1) **rail** system, (2) **rail** against his enemies

The children leaned over the bridge **rail** to watch the fish swimming below.

fundamental

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

synonym : basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

government

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

synonym : administration, regime, state

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

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the

next fiscal year.

pivotal

adj. relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something

synonym: crucial, essential, important

(1) **pivotal** moment, (2) **pivotal** role

The CEO's decision was **pivotal** in the success of the company's expansion plans.

op-ed

adj. denoting or relating to a piece of writing or article that expresses the author's opinion or point of view on a particular topic, usually published in a newspaper or magazine on the page opposite the editorial page

synonym: editorial, opinion, column

(1) **op-ed** section, (2) **op-ed** columnist

The **op-ed** piece offered a unique perspective on the political situation.

concerted

adj. involving the joint activity of more than one person, government, country, etc.

synonym: coordinated, planned, united

(1) **concerted** effort, (2) apply **concerted** pressure

The NGO launched a **concerted** campaign to raise awareness about the issue.

lobby

n. a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation

synonym: entrance, hall, anteroom

(1) **lobby** for legislation, (2) a hotel **lobby**

That **lobby** group actively advocated environmental protection to the government.

sustained

adj. lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense

synonym: prolonged, extended, continual

(1) **sustained** economic growth, (2) **sustained** release medication

The company experienced **sustained** growth over the past decade.

assault

n. a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will

synonym: assault, attack, raid

(1) **assault** aircraft, (2) victim of sexual **assault**

We got caught up in an **assault** case.

regulation

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

synonym: constraint, restriction, rule

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

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

impulse

n. a sudden strong and unreflective wish or need to do something; the electrical discharge that travels along a nerve fiber

synonym: stimulation, provocation, urge

(1) a combative **impulse**, (2) profound religious **impulses**

Nerve **impulses** cross a synapse through the action of neurotransmitters.

sector

n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

synonym: division, department, branch

(1) industrial **sector**, (2) private **sector**

The technology **sector** is constantly evolving and innovating.

pursue

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially

in trying to catch them

synonym : seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

kneecap

n. a small flat bone in the front of the knee that protects the knee joint

synonym : patella, knee, joint

(1) broken **kneecap**, (2) **kneecap** bone

He fell and injured his knee, causing pain in his **kneecap**.

slash

v. to cut with a sharp object using a quick and robust movement

synonym : cut, gash

(1) **slash** a person with a knife, (2) price **slash**

The government had to **slash** national defense spending due to the recession.

machete

n. a large, heavy knife with a broad blade used for cutting vegetation or, in some cultures, as a weapon

synonym : panga, chopper, sword

(1) sharp **machete**, (2) rusty **machete**

The farmer used a steel **machete** to clear away the dense underbrush in the field.

inequality

n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others;
(mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

synonym : imbalance, prejudice, unfairness

(1) **inequality** in salary, (2) algebraic **inequality**

There are several causes of economic **inequality** within societies.

shift

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

synonym : transition, change, modification

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

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

livelihood

n. a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.

synonym: occupation, living, income

(1) a means of **livelihood**, (2) **livelihood** assistance

I could no longer earn my own **livelihood**.

strip

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

synonym: deprive, undress, (noun) ribbon

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

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

vacation

n. a period in which someone does not have to attend work or school and is free to do whatever they choose, such as travel or leisure

synonym: leave, recess, break

(1) a short **vacation**, (2) summer **vacation**

Do you have a plan for a long **vacation**?

wealth

n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

synonym: affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

bloat

v. to become swollen, distended, or inflated, especially in an unpleasant way; (noun) a condition in which the abdomen becomes swollen or distended with gas or fluid

synonym: swell, blow up, inflate

(1) **bloat** with pride, (2) **bloat** government spending

He noticed that the snack food bag was **bloating** near the top of the mountain.

unprecedented

adj. never having been seen, done, or known before

synonym: novel, outstanding, unparalleled

(1) **unprecedented** boom, (2) **unprecedented** business opportunity

Unprecedented amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

usable

adj. able to be used; fit or ready for use or service

synonym: functional, operational, practical

(1) **usable** technology, (2) **usable** as office space

The device is only **usable** when it is connected to a power source.

scrooge

n. a miserly, stingy, or ungenerous person; someone who is excessively careful with their money and is unwilling to spend it

synonym: miser, skinflint, penny-pincher

(1) **scrooge** character, (2) a real **scrooge**

Don't be such a **scrooge** and share some of your wealth with those in need.

backstroke

n. a swimming stroke performed on one's back, in which the arms are alternately raised over the head and pulled through the water while the legs move in a flutter kick

synonym: back crawl, reverse stroke, dorsal swim

(1) win with **backstroke**, (2) perfect **backstroke**

I swam the **backstroke** for the entire length of the pool.

critic

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

synonym: pundit, analyst, attacker

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

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

magnificent

adj. extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

synonym : splendid, brilliant, exquisite

(1) a **magnificent** plan, (2) a **magnificent** mountain

The **magnificent** scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

magic

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

synonym : fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

stomach

n. the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach

synonym : belly, abdomen, gut

(1) upset **stomach**, (2) **stomach** virus

I have a **stomach** ache after overeating junk food.

structural

adj. associated with the way on construction or organization of anything

synonym : architectural, basic, anatomical

(1) **structural** analyses, (2) **structural** reorganization

The earthquake resulted in significant **structural** destruction.

systemic

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

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

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

culpable

adj. deserving blame or censure; responsible for an offense, mistake, or wrongdoing

synonym : guilty, blameworthy, accountable

(1) **culpable** negligence, (2) partially **culpable**

The CEO was held **culpable** for the company's financial losses.

buck

n. a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention

synonym: dollar, money, currency

(1) **buck** the trend, (2) extra **buck**

I spotted a majestic **buck** with large antlers standing at the forest's edge.

analyst

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

synonym: reviewer, investigator, judge

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

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

pundit

n. an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue

synonym: expert, commentator, punditry

(1) conservative **pundit**, (2) sports **pundit**

The political **pundit** provided analysis and commentary on the latest election results.

politician

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

synonym: congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

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

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

curriculum

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

synonym: program, syllabus, course of study

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

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

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**.

contemporary

adj. belonging to the same or present time

synonym: modern, stylish, coetaneous

(1) field of **contemporary** art, (2) **contemporary** leaders

Contemporary music has gained different followers from existing music.

economy

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

synonym: finance, trade, business

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

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

offend

v. to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed

synonym: insult, hurt, anger

(1) **offend** his sensibilities, (2) **offend** a customer

His rude comments **offended** many people at the party.

visceral

adj. relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses

synonym: instinctive, intuitive, gut

(1) **visceral** organ, (2) **visceral** fear

After watching the horror movie, she had a **visceral** reaction and couldn't sleep all night.

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.

consistent

adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

synonym : coherent, constant, compatible

(1) do on a **consistent** basis, (2) get **consistent** results

You are not **consistent** in your behavior.

suppose

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

synonym : guess, assume, presume

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

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

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym : unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

pride

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

synonym : vanity, conceit, egotism

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

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

intentionally

adv. in a planned or intended way

synonym : knowingly, calculatedly, deliberately

(1) she hit him **intentionally**, (2) She **intentionally** spread misleading information.

She would never **intentionally** hurt anyone.

honor

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

synonym :

integrity, virtue, acclaim

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

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

interaction

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

synonym: dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,

(2) **interaction** among human beings

The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

transaction

n. an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something

synonym: trade, dealing, commerce

(1) card with no foreign **transaction** fees, (2) **transaction** balance

Electronic **transactions** remain incomplete due to system errors.

ephemeral

adj. lasting or used for only a short time

synonym: temporary, momentary, brief

(1) **ephemeral** joys, (2) **ephemeral** materials

His success as a famous actor was **ephemeral**.

brand

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

synonym: trademark, label, symbol

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

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

quantifiable

adj. able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms

synonym: measurable, calculable

(1) non- **quantifiable** risk, (2) **quantifiable** results

The impact of the new policy will be **quantifiable** through measurable data.

investor

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

synonym: financier, banker, stockholder

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

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

finance

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

synonym: banking, investment, fund

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

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

ethics

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

synonym: morals, principles, moralities

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

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

superpower

n. a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities

synonym: great power, empire, hegemony

(1) **superpower** country, (2) **superpower** leader

The ability to fly like a bird is often considered a **superpower** in comic books and movies.

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.

greedy

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

synonym : avaricious, covetous, grasping

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

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

divide

v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

synonym : separate, disconnect, split

(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money equally

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

bootstrap

n. a loop or strap on a boot that is used to pull it on; a self-starting process, often in IT or business, that is designed for beginning or continuing without external assistance

synonym : boot, self-starting, load

(1) **bootstrap** method, (2) **bootstrap** framework

Many startups use **bootstrap** funding to get their businesses off the ground.

physics

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

(1) nuclear **physics**, (2) laws of **physics**

He studied the **physics** of radiation.

spreadsheet

n. a computer program that is used for displaying and dealing with numbers by arranging them in rows and columns

(1) a **spreadsheet** program, (2) plug numbers into a **spreadsheet**

I accidentally deleted all the contents of the **spreadsheet**.

dignity

n. the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station

synonym : grace, elegance, nobility

(1) respect for human **dignity**, (2) retain everyone's **dignity**

The failure destroyed his trust and personal **dignity**.

wage

n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

synonym : payment, compensation, salary

(1) unpaid **wages**, (2) increase in the minimum **wage**

His **wages** continued to rise as his skills improved.

employ

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

synonym : hire, engage, use

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

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

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym : compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

segregate

v. to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic

synonym : isolate, separate, divide

(1) **segregate** by race, (2) **segregate** boys and girls

The school board decided to **segregate** students by the ability to meet their needs better.

swank

v. to walk or behave confidently and stylishly, often with the intent of impressing others; to style or dress in an ostentatiously fashionable or luxurious way; (adjective) stylish, luxurious, and fashionable in an ostentatious way

synonym : show off, strut, flaunt

(1) **swank** about his success, (2) **swank** restaurant

I will **swank** up this outfit with some fancy accessories for the party tonight.

planet

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

synonym : earth, world, globe

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

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

dogma

n. a belief or set of beliefs that the members of a group accept without being questioned or doubted

synonym : doctrine, tenet, creed

(1) religious **dogma**, (2) the secret **dogma**

All members strictly followed the **dogma** of the organization.

doe

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

synonym : rabbit, bunny, hare

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

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

competitive

adj. involving competition or competitiveness

synonym : aggressive, ambitious, militant

(1) a **competitive** price, (2) **competitive** position

The mobile application industry is a **competitive** one.

dynamic

adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

synonym : energetic, active, vital

(1) a **dynamic** market, (2) **dynamic** person

The sprinter has a **dynamic** way of running.

stratosphere

n. the second layer of the Earth's atmosphere, extending from about 7 to 50 kilometers above the Earth's surface, containing the ozone layer

synonym : upper atmosphere, ozone layer

(1) **stratosphere** layer, (2) **stratosphere** ozone

The ozone layer, which protects us from harmful UV radiation, is in the **stratosphere**.

frontline

adj. in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy

synonym : battlefield, cutting edge

(1) **frontline** health workers, (2) at the **frontline** of the war

Within days, the new aircraft was in **frontline** service.

consume

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

synonym : absorb, ingest, use up

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

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

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.

redefine

v. to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way

synonym : reconsider, reformulate, alter

(1) **redefine** customer experience, (2) **redefine** our role

The video telephony application has **redefined** the way we work.

incredibly

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

synonym: enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

(1) **incredibly** cheerful character, (2) get **incredibly** insecure

Several cities are experiencing **incredibly** high unemployment rates.

vacuum

n. a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction

synonym: void, emptiness, gap

(1) **vacuum** cleaner, (2) **vacuum** packing

Please use the **vacuum** to clean up the mess on the floor.

cocreate

v. to create something by working with others

(1) **cocreate** our life, (2) **cocreate** a relationship

We form partnerships to **cocreate** customer value.

responsible

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

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

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

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

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**.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

synonym: person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom
As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

decision

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

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

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

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

profitable

adj. making or likely to make material gain or profit

synonym: advantageous, beneficial, thriving

(1) a **profitable** job, (2) **profitable** trade

The Prohibition amendment made bootlegging **profitable**.

ecosystem

n. all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

(1) marine **ecosystem**, (2) change the **ecosystem**

Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the **ecosystem**.

upside

n. the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something

synonym: advantage, benefit, top

(1) have no **upside**, (2) market **upside**

Many people see the **upside** of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.

expand

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

synonym: extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

landscape

n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

synonym: geography, terrain, topography

(1) a peaceful **landscape**, (2) **landscape** painting

Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political **landscape** in Europe.

spiritual

adj. relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things

synonym: otherworldly, ethereal, transcendental

(1) constant **spiritual** striving, (2) **spiritual** leader

The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more **spiritual** connection with the universe.

prosperity

n. the state of being successful and having the good fortune

synonym: affluence, accomplishment, capital

(1) economic **prosperity**, (2) **prosperity** of humankind

This war shattered dreams of peace and **prosperity**.

cynical

adj. believing that people are motivated by self-interest; distrustful of human sincerity or integrity

synonym: skeptical, mistrustful, doubtful

(1) **cynical** remarks, (2) **cynical** worldview

He was very **cynical** and didn't believe anything anyone said unless he saw evidence for himself.

principle

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

synonym: rule, creed, code

(1) **principle** of treatment, (2) **principle** in business

Efficiency isn't an essential **principle** here; fairness is.

basis

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

synonym : foundation, base, ground

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

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

idol *n.* an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered
synonym : icon, hero, legend
(1) **idol** worship, (2) **idol** singer
He was an **idol** to his fans, who looked up to him as a role model.

cutthroat *adj.* marked by ruthless competition or deceit; willing to do anything to achieve one's goals, even if it means hurting others
synonym : ruthless, competitive, aggressive
(1) **cutthroat** business practices, (2) **cutthroat** negotiations
The **cutthroat** competition was intense, with everyone fighting for the position.

context *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
synonym : background, setting, environment
(1) historical **context**, (2) legal **context**
It's important to understand the **context** of a situation before making a decision.

unmake *v.* to destroy or undo something that has already been made or created; to reverse the effects of something previously done or achieved
synonym : destroy, undo, dismantle
(1) **unmake** a contract, (2) **unmake** a friendship
Sometimes it's better to **unmake** a decision and start over than to continue down the wrong path.

integrity *n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

synonym : honesty, honor, morality

(1) a person of **integrity**, (2) **integrity** of data

The company's reputation for honesty and **integrity** is highly valued among its customers.

govern

v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

synonym : control, rule, preside

(1) a nation's right to **govern**, (2) **govern** a public enterprise

The regulations **governing** medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

Session 2: Spelling

1. respect for human di____y
n. the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
2. at the fr_____ne of the war
adj. in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy
3. Catholic upb_____ng
n. the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development
4. em____y a new method
v. to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
5. pi_____l moment
adj. relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something
6. high r__k
n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
7. television i__n
n. a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
8. mo__l burden
adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
9. perfect bac_____ke
n. a swimming stroke performed on one's back, in which the arms are alternately raised over the head and pulled through the water while the legs move in a flutter kick

ANSWERS: 1. dignity, 2. frontline, 3. upbringing, 4. employ, 5. pivotal, 6. rank, 7. icon, 8. moral, 9. backstroke

10. op__d section *adj.* denoting or relating to a piece of writing or article that expresses the author's opinion or point of view on a particular topic, usually published in a newspaper or magazine on the page opposite the editorial page
11. an__l investors *n.* a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo
12. ex___d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
13. sw__k restaurant *v.* to walk or behave confidently and stylishly, often with the intent of impressing others; to style or dress in an ostentatiously fashionable or luxurious way; (adjective) stylish, luxurious, and fashionable in an ostentatious way
14. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
15. extra b__k *n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention
16. apply co_____ed pressure *adj.* involving the joint activity of more than one person, government, country, etc.
17. w__n a reckless driver *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

ANSWERS: 10. op-ed, 11. angel, 12. expand, 13. swank, 14. eventually, 15. buck, 16. concerted, 17. warn

18. qua_____ble results *adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms
19. buck and d_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
20. unp_____ted business opportunity *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
21. va___m cleaner *n.* a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction
22. go___n a public enterprise *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
23. re___e voluntarily *v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
24. have a g_g at the stadium *n.* a performance by a musician or group of musicians, especially playing modern or pop music or jazz; a work that someone undertakes on a temporary basis
25. a pine cr_____t *n.* leaping insect; a game played with a ball and bat by two teams of eleven players
26. guilty con_____ce *n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior

ANSWERS: 18. quantifiable, 19. doe, 20. unprecedented, 21. vacuum, 22. govern, 23. retire, 24. gig, 25. cricket, 26. conscience

27. ba__s for calculation *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
28. co_____t level *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
29. bl__t government spending *v.* to become swollen, distended, or inflated, especially in an unpleasant way; (noun) a condition in which the abdomen becomes swollen or distended with gas or fluid
30. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
31. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
32. un___e a contract *v.* to destroy or undo something that has already been made or created; to reverse the effects of something previously done or achieved
33. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
34. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
35. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
36. et___s of journalism *n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong

ANSWERS: 27. basis, 28. comfort, 29. bloat, 30. communal, 31. interaction, 32. unmake, 33. context, 34. unfortunately, 35. norm, 36. ethics

37. st__n warning *adj.* serious, unyielding, or strict in manner or attitude
38. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
39. the sha_____er's meeting *n.* a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company
40. an et_____l doctrine *adj.* of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these
41. womanly ho__r *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
42. economic pro_____ty *n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune
43. ine_____ty in salary *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
44. of___d a customer *v.* to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed
45. non-qua_____ble risk *adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms

ANSWERS: 37. stern, 38. politician, 39. shareholder, 40. ethical, 41. honor, 42. prosperity, 43. inequality, 44. offend, 45. quantifiable

46. eco_____al use of her time *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
47. hu___e opinion *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
48. She int_____lly spread misleading information. *adv.* in a planned or intended way
49. i__l singer *n.* an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered
50. yearn for the de___t living *adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense
51. su_____ed release medication *adj.* lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
52. full of em_____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
53. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
54. co_____ed effort *adj.* involving the joint activity of more than one person, government, country, etc.
55. words of co_____t *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
56. market up___e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
57. a corrupt pol_____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

ANSWERS: 46. economical, 47. humble, 48. intentionally, 49. idol, 50. decent, 51. sustained, 52. empathy, 53. suppose, 54. concerted, 55. comfort, 56. upside, 57. politician

58. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
59. a cur_____um vitae *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
60. sp_____al leader *adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
61. co_____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
62. a company reg_____on *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
63. gr____y for money *adj.* having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food
64. ho__r our ancestors *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
65. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
66. coast st__p *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
67. lump of ga_____e *n.* waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse

ANSWERS: 58. incredible, 59. curriculum, 60. spiritual, 61. consume, 62. regulation, 63. greedy, 64. honor, 65. consequence, 66. strip, 67. garbage

68. gr___y person *adj.* having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food
69. pl___t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
70. a real sc_____e *n.* a miserly, stingy, or ungenerous person; someone who is excessively careful with their money and is unwilling to spend it
71. a deep obl_____on *n.* the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
72. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
73. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
74. family upb_____ng *n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development
75. a mag_____nt plan *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
76. marine ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

ANSWERS: 68. greedy, 69. planet, 70. scrooge, 71. obligation, 72. fundamental, 73. economy, 74. upbringing, 75. magnificent, 76. ecosystem

77. a de___t education *adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense
78. plug numbers into a spr_____et *n.* a computer program that is used for displaying and dealing with numbers by arranging them in rows and columns
79. vo_____ry participation *adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced
80. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
81. con_____ary leaders *adj.* belonging to the same or present time
82. pri_____ze people over cars *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
83. n__d neck *n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
84. va___m packing *n.* a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction
85. fi_____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
86. a short va_____on *n.* a period in which someone does not have to attend work or school and is free to do whatever they choose, such as travel or leisure

ANSWERS: 77. decent, 78. spreadsheet, 79. voluntary, 80. government, 81. contemporary, 82. prioritize, 83. nerd, 84. vacuum, 85. finance, 86. vacation

87. w__ned me of the plan
v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
88. im_____ry pregnancy
adj. existing only in someone's mind
89. material we___h
n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
90. cu_____le negligence
adj. deserving blame or censure; responsible for an offense, mistake, or wrongdoing
91. a hotel lo__y
n. a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation
92. gross pr___t
n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
93. a dy_____c market
adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
94. majority of his we___h
n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
95. se_____te by race
v. to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic

ANSWERS: 87. warn, 88. imaginary, 89. wealth, 90. culpable, 91. lobby, 92. profit, 93. dynamic, 94. wealth, 95. segregate

96. fr_____ne health workers *adj.* in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy
97. cu_____at business practices *adj.* marked by ruthless competition or deceit; willing to do anything to achieve one's goals, even if it means hurting others
98. the sy_____ic arteries *adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society
99. st__p a tire off *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
100. co_____te our life *v.* to create something by working with others
101. se_____te boys and girls *v.* to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic
102. re___e after four terms *v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
103. a corruption sc_____l *n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage
104. a spr_____et program *n.* a computer program that is used for displaying and dealing with numbers by arranging them in rows and columns
105. upset st_____h *n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach

ANSWERS: 96. frontline, 97. cutthroat, 98. systemic, 99. strip, 100. cocreate, 101. segregate, 102. retire, 103. scandal, 104. spreadsheet, 105. stomach

106. a com_____ve price *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
107. a nation's right to go___n *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
108. a real estate in____or *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
109. sw__k about his success *v.* to walk or behave confidently and stylishly, often with the intent of impressing others; to style or dress in an ostentatiously fashionable or luxurious way; (adjective) stylish, luxurious, and fashionable in an ostentatious way
110. in____or lawsuit *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
111. lo__y for legislation *n.* a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation
112. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
113. algebraic ine____ty *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

ANSWERS: 106. competitive, 107. govern, 108. investor, 109. swank, 110. investor, 111. lobby, 112. shift, 113. inequality

114. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
115. pay an obl_____on *n.* the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
116. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
117. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
118. str_____ere ozone *n.* the second layer of the Earth's atmosphere, extending from about 7 to 50 kilometers above the Earth's surface, containing the ozone layer
119. retain everyone's di_____y *n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
120. pu___e a goal *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
121. bl__t with pride *v.* to become swollen, distended, or inflated, especially in an unpleasant way; (noun) a condition in which the abdomen becomes swollen or distended with gas or fluid
122. conservative pu___t *n.* an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue
123. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

ANSWERS: 114. incredible, 115. obligation, 116. decision, 117. divide, 118. stratosphere, 119. dignity, 120. pursue, 121. bloat, 122. pundit, 123. responsible

124. co_____te a relationship *v.* to create something by working with others
125. a com_____nt to an alliance *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
126. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
127. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
128. co_____e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
129. a water fa__y *n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers
130. sc_____e character *n.* a miserly, stingy, or ungenerous person; someone who is excessively careful with their money and is unwilling to spend it
131. re_____ne customer experience *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
132. get con_____nt results *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
133. partially cu_____le *adj.* deserving blame or censure; responsible for an offense, mistake, or wrongdoing

ANSWERS: 124. cocreate, 125. commitment, 126. decision, 127. incredibly, 128. consume, 129. fairy, 130. scrooge, 131. redefine, 132. consistent, 133. culpable

134. reg_____on by the government *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
135. an eco_____al meal *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
136. gain sha_____er approval *n.* a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company
137. card with no foreign tra_____on fees *n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
138. cy_____l remarks *adj.* believing that people are motivated by self-interest; distrustful of human sincerity or integrity
139. a mag_____nt mountain *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
140. op__d columnist *adj.* denoting or relating to a piece of writing or article that expresses the author's opinion or point of view on a particular topic, usually published in a newspaper or magazine on the page opposite the editorial page
141. dy_____c person *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

ANSWERS: 134. regulation, 135. economical, 136. shareholder, 137. transaction, 138. cynical, 139. magnificent, 140. op-ed, 141. dynamic

142. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
143. hide his pr__e *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
144. of ___d his sensibilities *v.* to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed
145. do on a con_____nt basis *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
146. vi_____al organ *adj.* relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses
147. create a br__d logo *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
148. increase in the minimum w__e *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
149. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
150. broken kn_____p *n.* a small flat bone in the front of the knee that protects the knee joint
151. r__l system *n.* a long, thin piece of metal or wood that is used to make fences or as a support for something; (verb) to complain bitterly

ANSWERS: 142. responsible, 143. pride, 144. offend, 145. consistent, 146. visceral, 147. brand, 148. wage, 149. norm, 150. kneecap, 151. rail

152. re____ne our role *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
153. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
154. em____y job seekers *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
155. su____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
156. pu____e freedoms *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
157. vi____al fear *adj.* relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses
158. se____le approach *adj.* having good sense or judgment; reasonable; practical; marked by a perception of the importance or seriousness of something
159. pi____l role *adj.* relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something
160. fallen an__l *n.* a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo

ANSWERS: 152. redefine, 153. doe, 154. employ, 155. suppose, 156. pursue, 157. visceral, 158. sensible, 159. pivotal, 160. angel

161. de____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
162. a means of liv____od *n.* a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.
163. pr____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
164. she hit him int____lly *adv.* in a planned or intended way
165. pr____y of economics *n.* the state or quality of being first or foremost in importance, rank, or authority
166. ep____al joys *adj.* lasting or used for only a short time
167. em____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
168. the c__e of an apple *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
169. in___e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
170. pr__e of a company *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
171. im____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
172. ex___d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

ANSWERS: 161. deserve, 162. livelihood, 163. principle, 164. intentionally, 165. primacy, 166. ephemeral, 167. empathy, 168. core, 169. invite, 170. pride, 171. imaginary, 172. expand

173. sy____ic reforms of the organization
adj. affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society
174. even more unf____ely
adv. by bad luck; unluckily
175. co____al swimming pool
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
176. at____de control
n. the way you think and feel about someone or something
177. flexible mi____t
n. the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
178. sports pu____t
n. an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue
179. st____h virus
n. the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach
180. str____ere layer
n. the second layer of the Earth's atmosphere, extending from about 7 to 50 kilometers above the Earth's surface, containing the ozone layer
181. a st__n look
adj. serious, unyielding, or strict in manner or attitude
182. a delightful touch of s__s
n. impudent or disrespectful talk or behavior; back talk; (verb) to speak or behave in a disrespectful or impudent manner, often characterized by cheekiness, insolence, or backtalk

ANSWERS: 173. systemic, 174. unfortunately, 175. communal, 176. attitude, 177. mindset, 178. pundit, 179. stomach, 180. stratosphere, 181. stern, 182. sass

183. ec____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
184. the br__d of the new car *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
185. se_____le decision *adj.* having good sense or judgment; reasonable; practical; marked by a perception of the importance or seriousness of something
186. corporate pu____t *n.* a doll or figure that is manipulated by strings, wires, or hands to represent a person or animal; a person who is controlled or manipulated by someone else
187. field of con_____ary art *adj.* belonging to the same or present time
188. str_____al reorganization *adj.* associated with the way on construction or organization of anything
189. manage my fi_____es *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

ANSWERS: 183. economy, 184. brand, 185. sensible, 186. puppet, 187. contemporary, 188. structural, 189. finance

190. make a pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
191. senior research an____t *n.* someone whose job is to examine something to learn or understand more about it
192. com_____ve position *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
193. ga_____e collection *n.* waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse
194. save the pl___t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
195. ep_____al materials *adj.* lasting or used for only a short time
196. i__l worship *n.* an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered
197. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
198. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
199. bo_____ap method *n.* a loop or strap on a boot that is used to pull it on; a self-starting process, often in IT or business, that is designed for beginning or continuing without external assistance

ANSWERS: 190. profit, 191. analyst, 192. competitive, 193. garbage, 194. planet, 195. ephemeral, 196. idol, 197. interaction, 198. fundamental, 199. bootstrap

200. bold s__s *n.* impudent or disrespectful talk or behavior; back talk; (verb) to speak or behave in a disrespectful or impudent manner, often characterized by cheekiness, insolence, or backtalk
201. price sl__h *v.* to cut with a sharp object using a quick and robust movement
202. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
203. sl__h a person with a knife *v.* to cut with a sharp object using a quick and robust movement
204. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
205. a combative im_____e *n.* a sudden strong and unreflective wish or need to do something; the electrical discharge that travels along a nerve fiber
206. profound religious im_____es *n.* a sudden strong and unreflective wish or need to do something; the electrical discharge that travels along a nerve fiber
207. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
208. unp_____ted boom *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
209. un_____on talents *adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare
210. kn_____p bone *n.* a small flat bone in the front of the knee that protects the knee joint

ANSWERS: 200. sass, 201. slash, 202. shift, 203. slash, 204. individual, 205. impulse, 206. impulse, 207. moral, 208. unprecedented, 209. uncommon, 210. kneecap

211. cy____l worldview *adj.* believing that people are motivated by self-interest; distrustful of human sincerity or integrity
212. rusty ma____e *n.* a large, heavy knife with a broad blade used for cutting vegetation or, in some cultures, as a weapon
213. industrial se____r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
214. sharp ma____e *n.* a large, heavy knife with a broad blade used for cutting vegetation or, in some cultures, as a weapon
215. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
216. g_g economy *n.* a performance by a musician or group of musicians, especially playing modern or pop music or jazz; a work that someone undertakes on a temporary basis
217. de____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
218. private se____r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
219. meet his com_____nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

ANSWERS: 211. cynical, 212. machete, 213. sector, 214. machete, 215. magic, 216. gig, 217. deserve, 218. sector, 219. commitment

220. have no up___e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
221. un___e a friendship *v.* to destroy or undo something that has already been made or created; to reverse the effects of something previously done or achieved
222. constant sp_____al striving *adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
223. un_____on occurrence *adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare
224. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
225. unpaid w___es *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
226. pat_____sm in healthcare *n.* the practice or belief of governing or managing individuals or groups in a manner that is considered to be nurturing or protective but also limiting or controlling their freedom and autonomy
227. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
228. i__n for young people *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

ANSWERS: 220. upside, 221. unmake, 222. spiritual, 223. uncommon, 224. invite, 225. wage, 226. paternalism, 227. magic, 228. icon

229. laws of ph____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
230. a hu___e cottage *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
231. severe cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
232. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
233. la_____pe painting *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
234. as_____t aircraft *n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will
235. tra_____on balance *n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
236. pri_____ze tasks *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
237. critique of pat_____sm *n.* the practice or belief of governing or managing individuals or groups in a manner that is considered to be nurturing or protective but also limiting or controlling their freedom and autonomy
238. political et____s *n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong

ANSWERS: 229. physics, 230. humble, 231. critic, 232. government, 233. landscape, 234. assault, 235. transaction, 236. prioritize, 237. paternalism, 238. ethics

239. r__k amateur *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
240. the secret do__a *n.* a belief or set of beliefs that the members of a group accept without being questioned or doubted
241. r__l against his enemies *n.* a long, thin piece of metal or wood that is used to make fences or as a support for something; (verb) to complain bitterly
242. banking an____t *n.* someone whose job is to examine something to learn or understand more about it
243. vo_____ry action *adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced
244. str_____al analyses *adj.* associated with the way on construction or organization of anything
245. at_____de toward mistakes *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
246. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
247. victim of sexual as_____t *n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will
248. fa__y tale *n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers

ANSWERS: 239. rank, 240. dogma, 241. rail, 242. analyst, 243. voluntary, 244. structural, 245. attitude, 246. context, 247. assault, 248. fairy

249. a computer n__d *n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
250. change the ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
251. bo_____ap framework *n.* a loop or strap on a boot that is used to pull it on; a self-starting process, often in IT or business, that is designed for beginning or continuing without external assistance
252. the mi_____t in an education system *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
253. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
254. us___e as office space *adj.* able to be used; fit or ready for use or service
255. cr_____t match *n.* leaping insect; a game played with a ball and bat by two teams of eleven players
256. inner con_____ce *n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior
257. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
258. summer va_____on *n.* a period in which someone does not have to attend work or school and is free to do whatever they choose, such as travel or leisure

ANSWERS: 249. nerd, 250. ecosystem, 251. bootstrap, 252. mindset, 253. consequence, 254. usable, 255. cricket, 256. conscience, 257. incredibly, 258. vacation

259. pro_____le trade *adj.* making or likely to make material gain or profit
260. su_____ed economic growth *adj.* lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
261. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
262. pr_____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
263. di___e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
264. art cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
265. pu___t theater *n.* a doll or figure that is manipulated by strings, wires, or hands to represent a person or animal; a person who is controlled or manipulated by someone else
266. nuclear ph____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
267. cu___e up with a book *v.* to hold close and lovingly in one's arms, often for comfort or affection; to snuggle or nestle against someone or something
268. cu___e buddy *v.* to hold close and lovingly in one's arms, often for comfort or affection; to snuggle or nestle against someone or something
269. b__k the trend *n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention

ANSWERS: 259. profitable, 260. sustained, 261. eventually, 262. principle, 263. divide, 264. critic, 265. puppet, 266. physics, 267. cuddle, 268. cuddle, 269. buck

270. cu_____at negotiations *adj.* marked by ruthless competition or deceit; willing to do anything to achieve one's goals, even if it means hurting others
271. liv_____od assistance *n.* a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.
272. sup_____er country *n.* a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities
273. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
274. a pro_____le job *adj.* making or likely to make material gain or profit
275. pro_____ty of humankind *n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune
276. c__e business activity *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
277. on an equal ba__s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
278. a person of in_____ty *n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
279. shoulder et_____l responsibility *adj.* of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these

ANSWERS: 270. cutthroat, 271. livelihood, 272. superpower, 273. individual, 274. profitable, 275. prosperity, 276. core, 277. basis, 278. integrity, 279. ethical

280. military pr_____y *n.* the state or quality of being first or foremost in importance, rank, or authority
281. in_____ty of data *n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
282. sup_____er leader *n.* a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities
283. an academic cur_____um *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
284. us___e technology *adj.* able to be used; fit or ready for use or service
285. sc_____l magazine *n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage
286. win with bac_____ke *n.* a swimming stroke performed on one's back, in which the arms are alternately raised over the head and pulled through the water while the legs move in a flutter kick
287. religious do__a *n.* a belief or set of beliefs that the members of a group accept without being questioned or doubted
288. a peaceful la_____pe *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

ANSWERS: 280. primacy, 281. integrity, 282. superpower, 283. curriculum, 284. usable, 285. scandal, 286. backstroke, 287. dogma, 288. landscape

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The CEO's leadership style was characterized by _____ towards his employees.
 - n.* the practice or belief of governing or managing individuals or groups in a manner that is considered to be nurturing or protective but also limiting or controlling their freedom and autonomy
2. The political _____ rocked the nation and led to the resignation of several high-ranking officials.
 - n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage
3. I have a _____ ache after overeating junk food.
 - n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach
4. The sound of the _____ chirping filled the air on a warm summer evening.
 - n.* leaping insect; a game played with a ball and bat by two teams of eleven players
5. The sprinter has a _____ way of running.
 - adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
6. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
 - n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
7. I accidentally deleted all the contents of the _____.
 - n.* a computer program that is used for displaying and dealing with numbers by arranging them in rows and columns

ANSWERS: 1. paternalism, 2. scandal, 3. stomach, 4. crickets, 5. dynamic, 6. norms, 7. spreadsheet

8. There are several causes of economic _____ within societies.
- n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
9. We got caught up in an _____ case.
- n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will
10. The government had to _____ national defense spending due to the recession.
- v.* to cut with a sharp object using a quick and robust movement
11. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.
- v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
12. He noticed that the snack food bag was _____ near the top of the mountain.
- v.* to become swollen, distended, or inflated, especially in an unpleasant way; (noun) a condition in which the abdomen becomes swollen or distended with gas or fluid
13. The _____ concluded that bankruptcy was inevitable.
- n.* someone whose job is to examine something to learn or understand more about it
14. I love to _____ with my dog on the couch after a long day.
- v.* to hold close and lovingly in one's arms, often for comfort or affection; to snuggle or nestle against someone or something
15. Nerve _____ cross a synapse through the action of neurotransmitters.
- n.* a sudden strong and unreflective wish or need to do something; the electrical discharge that travels along a nerve fiber

ANSWERS: 8. inequality, 9. assault, 10. slash, 11. consume, 12. bloating, 13. analyst, 14. cuddle, 15. impulses

16. The _____ piece offered a unique perspective on the political situation.
adj. denoting or relating to a piece of writing or article that expresses the author's opinion or point of view on a particular topic, usually published in a newspaper or magazine on the page opposite the editorial page
17. The president must have the highest _____ standards.
adj. of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these
18. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.
n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
19. Could you help me _____ some furniture?
n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
20. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.
adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
21. _____ amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.
adj. never having been seen, done, or known before
22. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
23. Please use the _____ to clean up the mess on the floor.
n. a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction

ANSWERS: 16. op-ed, 17. ethical, 18. magic, 19. shift, 20. moral, 21. Unprecedented, 22. responsible, 23. vacuum

24. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.

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

25. Electronic _____ remain incomplete due to system errors.

- n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something

26. It is more _____ to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

- adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

27. 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

28. He was very _____ and didn't believe anything anyone said unless he saw evidence for himself.

- adj.* believing that people are motivated by self-interest; distrustful of human sincerity or integrity

29. The company's reputation for honesty and _____ is highly valued among its customers.

- n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

30. His strict _____ instilled in him a strong sense of responsibility.

- n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development

ANSWERS: 24. planet, 25. transactions, 26. economical, 27. invite, 28. cynical, 29. integrity, 30. upbringing

31. He was promoted to the _____ of captain in the military.

n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

32. Hunters use a whistle that makes the ____ sound to lure stags.

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

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

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

34. Do you have a plan for a long _____

n. a period in which someone does not have to attend work or school and is free to do whatever they choose, such as travel or leisure

35. The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more _____ connection with the universe.

adj. relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things

36. The doctor advised him to _____ down for a check.

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

37. The mischievous _____ flew gracefully through the forest, spreading magic wherever she went.

n. a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers

38. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

ANSWERS: 31. rank, 32. doe, 33. obligation, 34. vacation?, 35. spiritual, 36. strip, 37. fairy, 38. fundamental

39. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
- n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
40. She had the _____ that work was fun.
- n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
41. When making arrests, police officers frequently _____ excessive force.
- v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
42. The farmer used a steel _____ to clear away the dense underbrush in the field.
- n.* a large, heavy knife with a broad blade used for cutting vegetation or, in some cultures, as a weapon
43. The video telephony application has _____ the way we work.
- v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
44. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.
- v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
45. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?
- v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
46. This scripture provides the code of _____ for the religion.
- n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong

ANSWERS: 39. decision, 40. attitude, 41. employ, 42. machete, 43. redefined, 44. expand, 45. divide, 46. ethics

47. He fell and injured his knee, causing pain in his _____.
- n.* a small flat bone in the front of the knee that protects the knee joint
48. As she lay on her deathbed, a bright light appeared, and she saw a holy _____ standing at the foot of her bed.
- n.* a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo
49. The failure destroyed his trust and personal _____.
- n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
50. New competitors threatened the company's _____ in the market.
- n.* the state or quality of being first or foremost in importance, rank, or authority
51. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.
- n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
52. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
- n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
53. Some comic book characters are considered gay _____.
- n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
54. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
55. The device is only _____ when it is connected to a power source.
- adj.* able to be used; fit or ready for use or service

ANSWERS: 47. kneecap, 48. angel, 49. dignity, 50. primacy, 51. critics, 52. Empathy, 53. icons, 54. Communal, 55. usable

56. The ability to fly like a bird is often considered a _____ in comic books and movies.

- n.* a country or nation that has significant global influence or formidable military, economic, or technological strength; a supernatural ability or force capable of extraordinary feats or feats beyond normal human capabilities

57. The CEO was held _____ for the company's financial losses.

- adj.* deserving blame or censure; responsible for an offense, mistake, or wrongdoing

58. Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political _____ in Europe.

- n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

59. The Prohibition amendment made bootlegging _____.

- adj.* making or likely to make material gain or profit

60. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?

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

61. The _____ competition was intense, with everyone fighting for the position.

- adj.* marked by ruthless competition or deceit; willing to do anything to achieve one's goals, even if it means hurting others

62. I will _____ up this outfit with some fancy accessories for the party tonight.

- v.* to walk or behave confidently and stylishly, often with the intent of impressing others; to style or dress in an ostentatiously fashionable or luxurious way; (adjective) stylish, luxurious, and fashionable in an ostentatious way

63. Many people see the _____ of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.

- n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something

ANSWERS: 56. superpower, 57. culpable, 58. landscape, 59. profitable, 60. suppose, 61. cutthroat, 62. swank, 63. upside

64. The technology _____ is constantly evolving and innovating.
- n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
65. Sometimes it's better to _____ a decision and start over than to continue down the wrong path.
- v.* to destroy or undo something that has already been made or created; to reverse the effects of something previously done or achieved
66. The impact of the new policy will be _____ through measurable data.
- adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms
67. He found _____ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.
- n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
68. The earthquake resulted in significant _____ destruction.
- adj.* associated with the way on construction or organization of anything
69. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
- n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
70. This business yields little _____.
- n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
71. The school board decided to _____ students by the ability to meet their needs better.
- v.* to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic

ANSWERS: 64. sector, 65. unmake, 66. quantifiable, 67. comfort, 68. structural, 69. individual, 70. profit, 71. segregate

72. He couldn't bear the thought of acting against his _____ even if it meant losing the job.
- n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior
73. The politician was merely a _____ for the wealthy elite.
- n.* a doll or figure that is manipulated by strings, wires, or hands to represent a person or animal; a person who is controlled or manipulated by someone else
74. He was an _____ to his fans, who looked up to him as a role model.
- n.* an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered
75. These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic _____.
- n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
76. Many startups use _____ funding to get their businesses off the ground.
- n.* a loop or strap on a boot that is used to pull it on; a self-starting process, often in IT or business, that is designed for beginning or continuing without external assistance
77. Don't be such a _____ and share some of your wealth with those in need.
- n.* a miserly, stingy, or ungenerous person; someone who is excessively careful with their money and is unwilling to spend it
78. I spotted a majestic _____ with large antlers standing at the forest's edge.
- n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention

ANSWERS: 72. conscience, 73. puppet, 74. idol, 75. cores, 76. bootstrap, 77. scrooge, 78. buck

79. The _____ approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.
- n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
80. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.
- n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
81. Institutional _____ refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.
- n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
82. The organization _____ the needs of the community in its decision-making.
- v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
83. _____ music has gained different followers from existing music.
- adj.* belonging to the same or present time
84. The children leaned over the bridge _____ to watch the fish swimming below.
- n.* a long, thin piece of metal or wood that is used to make fences or as a support for something; (verb) to complain bitterly
85. After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to _____ from her job.
- v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
86. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the _____.
- n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

ANSWERS: 79. regulation, 80. wealth, 81. investors, 82. prioritized, 83. Contemporary, 84. rail, 85. retire, 86. ecosystem

87. The _____ scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

adj. extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

88. He was, by nature, a cyber _____.

n. a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.

89. His _____ behavior led him to steal from the company.

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

90. That _____ group actively advocated environmental protection to the government.

n. a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation

91. Within days, the new aircraft was in _____ service.

adj. in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy

92. His rude comments _____ many people at the party.

v. to cause someone to feel upset, angry, or annoyed

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

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

94. I swam the _____ for the entire length of the pool.

n. a swimming stroke performed on one's back, in which the arms are alternately raised over the head and pulled through the water while the legs move in a flutter kick

ANSWERS: 87. magnificent, 88. nerd, 89. greedy, 90. lobby, 91. frontline, 92. offended, 93. government, 94. backstroke

95. The regulations _____ medical malpractice claims are rigorous.
- v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
96. The company experienced _____ growth over the past decade.
- adj.* lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
97. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
- n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
98. She intends to _____ a political career.
- v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
99. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
- adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
100. The mobile application industry is a _____ one.
- adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
101. His business _____ took him to the United States.
- n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
102. The political _____ provided analysis and commentary on the latest election results.
- n.* an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue

ANSWERS: 95. governing, 96. sustained, 97. economy, 98. pursue, 99. eventually, 100. competitive, 101. commitments, 102. pundit

103. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

104. We form partnerships to _____ customer value.

v. to create something by working with others

105. After watching the horror movie, she had a _____ reaction and couldn't sleep all night.

adj. relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses

106. The program is _____ so participants can choose whether or not to take part.

adj. done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced

107. He studied the _____ of radiation.

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

108. She would never _____ hurt anyone.

adv. in a planned or intended way

109. I attempted to _____ him, but he ignored me.

v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

110. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.

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

ANSWERS: 103. incredible, 104. cocreate, 105. visceral, 106. voluntary, 107. physics, 108. intentionally, 109. warn, 110. context

111. Little children tend to have _____ friends.

adj. existing only in someone's mind

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

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

113. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

114. His success as a famous actor was _____.

adj. lasting or used for only a short time

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

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

116. I could no longer earn my own _____.

n. a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.

117. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

118. Our company is committed to increasing _____ value.

n. a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company

ANSWERS: 111. imaginary, 112. honor, 113. deserved, 114. ephemeral, 115. brand, 116. livelihood, 117. incredibly, 118. shareholder

119. The NGO launched a _____ campaign to raise awareness about the issue.
adj. involving the joint activity of more than one person, government, country, etc.
120. All members strictly followed the _____ of the organization.
n. a belief or set of beliefs that the members of a group accept without being questioned or doubted
121. It's _____ to wear a helmet when riding a bike.
adj. having good sense or judgment; reasonable; practical; marked by a perception of the importance or seriousness of something
122. The _____ truck will be coming to pick up the trash every Monday morning.
n. waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse
123. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.
n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
124. His _____ continued to rise as his skills improved.
n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
125. Despite her petite stature, her fiery _____ and fearless demeanor commanded respect.
n. impudent or disrespectful talk or behavior; back talk; (verb) to speak or behave in a disrespectful or impudent manner, often characterized by cheekiness, insolence, or backtalk
126. You are not _____ in your behavior.
adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

ANSWERS: 119. concerted, 120. dogma, 121. sensible, 122. garbage, 123. principle, 124. wages, 125. sass, 126. consistent

127. We are planning a speaking ____ by a well-known author at a community center in a neighboring town.
- n.* a performance by a musician or group of musicians, especially playing modern or pop music or jazz; a work that someone undertakes on a temporary basis
128. This evidence will form the _____ for our discussion.
- n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
129. The _____ lost his position in the end due to the scandal.
- n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
130. The nobler, the more _____.
- adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
131. He earned a _____ salary at his job.
- adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense
132. The students' antics did not amuse the _____ teacher.
- adj.* serious, unyielding, or strict in manner or attitude
133. The ozone layer, which protects us from harmful UV radiation, is in the _____.
- n.* the second layer of the Earth's atmosphere, extending from about 7 to 50 kilometers above the Earth's surface, containing the ozone layer
134. The CEO's decision was _____ in the success of the company's expansion plans.
- adj.* relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something

ANSWERS: 127. gig, 128. basis, 129. politician, 130. humble, 131. decent, 132. stern, 133. stratosphere, 134. pivotal

135. A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the _____.
n. a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
136. It was _____ for the store to have such a big sale.
adj. not occurring or seen very often; rare
137. This war shattered dreams of peace and _____.
n. the state of being successful and having the good fortune
138. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.
adv. by bad luck; unluckily
139. This vaccine causes mild _____ side effects.
adj. affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society
140. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.
n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
141. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.
n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
142. Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial _____ in each individual.
n. the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

ANSWERS: 135. curriculum, 136. uncommon, 137. prosperity, 138. unfortunately, 139. systemic, 140. interaction, 141. finance, 142. mindset

143. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.

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

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

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

ANSWERS: 143. consequences, 144. pride