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Session 1: Word List

philosophy

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

synonym: doctrine, attitude, creed

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

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

esteem

n. great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone

synonym: respect, admiration, regard

(1) **esteem** for the other person, (2) boost my self- **esteem**

He is our loyal customer who should be held in high **esteem**.

platonic

adj. (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual

synonym: nonphysical, nonsexual, spiritual

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

His relationship with her was completely **platonic**.

dismiss

v. to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

synonym: decline, disband, dissolve

(1) **dismiss** a person from the office, (2) **dismiss** a matter

with a laugh

The committee has decided to **dismiss** the president from the post.

flaw

n. a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

synonym: defect, fault, imperfection

(1) a minor **flaw**, (2) the **flaw** in the legislation

Even the slightest design **flaw** in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

unchanging

adj. not changing or subject to change; constant

synonym: constant, stable, static

(1) **unchanging** laws, (2) rigidly **unchanging**

The **unchanging** nature of the mountain range was a source of constant wonder for the hikers.

enthrall

v. to capture or hold someone's attention or interest completely; to captivate or fascinate

synonym: captivate, charm, fascinate

(1) **enthrall** with beauty, (2) **enthrall** the reader

The magician's illusions always managed to **enthrall** the audience.

sensual

adj. relating to or consisting in the gratification of the senses or the indulgence of physical pleasure

synonym: sensuous, hedonistic, pleasure-seeking

(1) **sensual** appeal, (2) speak in a **sensual** tone

The room was filled with the **sensual** aroma of incense and flowers.

static

adj. not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing

synonym: immobile, unchanging, fixed

(1) **static** electricity, (2) **static** website

The **static** image on the screen took a lot of work to make

out.

desire

n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
synonym: ambition, appetite, greed

(1) unsatisfied **desire**, (2) fleshly **desire**

Low sexual **desire** typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

explore

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

synonym: analyze, delve into, examine

(1) **explore** the world, (2) **explore** our options

The management must **explore** strategies to increase office security.

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.

inspire

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

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

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

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

radical

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

synonym: extreme, revolutionary

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

The government established by the coup was more **radical**

than before.

endlessly

adv. in a way that continues for a long time or seems to have no end or limit

synonym: ceaselessly, interminably, unceasingly

(1) repeat **endlessly**, (2) worry **endlessly** about our future

The procession of demonstrators was **endlessly** continuing.

debate

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

synonym: argument, discussion, dispute

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

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

romantic

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

synonym: idealistic, unrealistic, amatory

(1) **romantic** movies, (2) **romantic** breakup

It was his first **romantic** love.

intellect

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

jean

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

synonym: denim, cotton, pants

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

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

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.

converge

v. to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet

synonym: congregate, assemble, concentrate

(1) **converge** of a series, (2) **converge** from different points

The two rivers **converge** into one near this area.

associate

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

synonym: tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

preordain

v. to determine or decree something in advance; to believe or accept that an outcome is predetermined by a higher power or fate

synonym: predestine, predetermine, fate

(1) **preordain** the sequence of events, (2) **preordain** my future

Some people believe that a higher power **preordains** everything that happens in life.

propose

v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
synonym: suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes
I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

revolutionary

adj. relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change

synonym: radical, innovative, groundbreaking

(1) **revolutionary** change, (2) enforce **revolutionary** justice
The **revolutionary** leader inspired others to join the fight for freedom and democracy.

alternative

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice
synonym: choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**
Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

argue

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

synonym: debate, dispute, quarrel

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

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

divine

adj. of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred

synonym: godly, holy, sacred

(1) **divine** intervention, (2) **divine** grace

The view from the mountaintop was truly **divine**.

acknowledged

adj. recognized or admitted as being true or valid

synonym: recognized, accepted, admitted

(1) **acknowledged** beauty, (2) publicly **acknowledged** truth
His **acknowledged** expertise in the field earned him the

respect of his peers.

blowing

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

synonym : favor, benediction, boon

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

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

burden

n. a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry

synonym : obligation, duty, load

(1) carry a **burden**, (2) **burden** of disease

That car has a low environmental **burden**.

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.

ambiguity

n. the quality of being open to more than one interpretation; the uncertainty of meaning

synonym : uncertainty, vagueness, obscurity

(1) free from **ambiguity**, (2) avoid **ambiguity** in writing

The **ambiguity** in the instructions made it difficult for her to complete the task.

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.

imperative

adj. very important or requiring attention or action

synonym : compulsory, binding, critical

(1) moral **imperative**, (2) **imperative** need

It is **imperative** for politicians to be effective communicators.

deny

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

synonym : refute, reject, repudiate

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

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

navigate

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

synonym : guide, helm, voyage

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

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

conflict

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

synonym : clash, discord, competition

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

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

internal

adj. of or relating to the inside of something

synonym : interior, inner, domestic

(1) **internal** organs, (2) the **internal** economy

The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve **internal** disputes.

external

adj. belonging to or situated outside of someone or something

synonym : outside, exterior, foreign

(1) **external** factors, (2) **external** commerce

When a company discloses information to the market, an

external auditor verifies them.

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.

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.

restricted

adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

synonym : limited, determinate, fixed

(1) **restricted** area, (2) lactose **restricted** diet

The country has designated our products as **restricted** import goods.

womanhood

n. the state or condition of being an adult female; a term used to describe the social and cultural aspects of being a woman

synonym : femininity, womanliness, womanly nature

(1) **womanhood** experience, (2) embrace **womanhood**

The celebration of **womanhood** is often disregarded in male-dominated industries.

prolific

adj. producing many works, results, or offspring

synonym : productive, fertile, abundant

(1) **prolific** apple tree, (2) **prolific** period

The **prolific** author had written over 20 books in just five years.

struggle

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

synonym : toil, strive, compete

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

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

peer

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

synonym : fellow, associate, counterpart

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

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

reject

v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

synonym : decline, turn down, repudiate

(1) **reject** the proposal, (2) **reject** all imperfect merchandise

The company **rejected** the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

Catholic

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

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

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

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.

marital

adj. of or relating to marriage

synonym : wedded, connubial, matrimonial

(1) **marital** fidelity, (2) affect **marital** relations

More and more people are utilizing counselors to help resolve their **marital** problems.

memoir

n. a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events

synonym : bio, biography

(1) family **memoir**, (2) publish a **memoir**

He wrote his **memoirs** while awaiting trial.

fiction

n. the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true

synonym : fantasy, fable, invention

(1) stuff of science **fiction**, (2) non- **fiction** bestseller

Truth is stranger than **fiction**.

embrace

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

synonym : grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**

The woods **embrace** the house.

counterpart

n. a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing

synonym : equivalent, analogue, match

(1) **counterpart** agreement, (2) negotiating **counterpart**

His **counterpart** in the other company is responsible for marketing.

grant

v. to agree to give or allow somebody

synonym : allocate, authorize, give

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

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

relation

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

synonym: association, linkage, connection

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

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

bisexual

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

synonym: bi, pansexual, omnisexual

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

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

convey

v. to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another

synonym: communicate, transfer, deliver

(1) **convey** a complex idea, (2) **convey** goods by truck

An ironic remark often **conveys** an intended meaning obliquely.

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

synonym: significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

perspective

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

synonym: viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

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

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

embark

v. to go on board a ship or plane; to set out on an enterprise or subject of study; to start something

synonym: enter, undertake, commence

(1) **embark** on a trip, (2) **embark** on a foolish adventure
We **embarked** on a new project.

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.

gender

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

synonym: sexuality

(1) **gender-blind** policies, (2) dual **gender**
Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

destine

v. to determine or set the course of something in advance, often in a way that seems predetermined or inevitable; to specify or choose someone or something for a particular fate or outcome

synonym: ordain, doom, predestine

(1) **destine** us to meet again, (2) be **destined** to become a great artist

Some people believe that we are all **destined** for greatness.

define

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

synonym: characterize, depict, express

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

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

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or

approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym : procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

label

n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

synonym : tag, mark, identifier

(1) a mailing **label**, (2) **label** a bag with my name

The **label** on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

synonym : memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat

The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym : critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life

Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

feminist

adj. describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women;
(noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women

synonym : egalitarian

(1) **feminist** movement, (2) **feminist** perspective

The **feminist** ideals of inclusivity and diversity are important in creating a more just and equal world.

oppress

v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

synonym : antagonize, distress, burden

(1) **oppress** the minority, (2) **oppress** the people with force
Historically, many countries have often **oppressed** certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.

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.

anecdotal

adj. based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence

synonym : hearsay, informal, unreliable

(1) **anecdotal** evidence, (2) **anecdotal** example

My friend shared an **anecdotal** story about her experience in customer service.

testimony

n. a formal written or spoken statement that something is true, especially one given in court; something that serves as evidence

synonym : affirmant, evidence, proof

(1) **testimony** before Congress, (2) give his **testimony**
Witness **testimony** backed up the defendant's claims.

combination

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

synonym : blend, hybrid, compounding

(1) genic **combinations**, (2) **combination** number
The **combination** to the safe was a secret.

intervention

n. the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
synonym: interference, intercession, treatment

(1) **intervention** by foreign powers, (2) surgical

intervention

This **intervention** does not require the patient's consent.

discuss

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

synonym: talk about, converse, debate

(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions

We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

conversation

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

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

insistence

n. the act or an instance of demanding or saying something clearly; persistence

synonym: persistence, determination, demand

(1) collective **insistence**, (2) rigid **insistence**

Despite her **insistence**, he refused to change his mind.

divorce

n. the legal dissolution of a marriage

synonym: separation, dissolution, breakup

(1) **divorce** settlement, (2) a consensual **divorce**

The couple decided to get a **divorce** after many years of marriage.

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.

modern

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

synonym : contemporary, stylish, current

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

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

addition

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

synonym : accumulation, expansion, addendum

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

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

acknowledge

v. to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

synonym : accept, agree, declare

(1) **acknowledge** the deed, (2) **acknowledge** his help

He never **acknowledged** his fault.

racial

adj. of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

synonym : ethnic, tribal, ethnical

(1) **racial** prejudice, (2) **racial** and ethnic backgrounds

A minor **racial** conflict later led to a civil war.

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.

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym: character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

broad

adj. very wide; general

synonym: wide, expansive, comprehensive

(1) attract **broad** attention, (2) a **broad** mind

He accumulated wealth across a **broad** spectrum of assets.

spectrum

n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

synonym: range, scale, spread

(1) a broad **spectrum** of opinion, (2) infrared **spectrum**

This device displayed the speech **spectrum** spectrographically.

complicated

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

synonym: complex, convoluted, intricate

(1) a **complicated** process, (2) become increasingly **complicated**

He did **complicated** pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

accusation

n. a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone

synonym: charge, indictment, imputation

(1) criminal **accusation**, (2) false **accusation**

The **accusation** of theft was unfounded, and the suspect was eventually cleared of all charges.

misconduct

n. behavior that is improper, illegal, or in violation of expected standards or norms, often involving abuse of power or trust

synonym : wrongdoing, misbehavior

(1) employee **misconduct**, (2) ethical **misconduct**

The CEO was fired due to allegations of **misconduct** in the workplace.

license

n. an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

synonym : permit, authorization, certificate

(1) **license** renewal, (2) software **license**

Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's **license**.

revoke

v. to officially cancel, annul, or withdraw something, often a law, privilege, or right that was previously granted

synonym : annul, cancel, repeal

(1) **revoke** a license, (2) **revoke** a contract

The company decided to **revoke** their offer of employment after discovering the applicant's criminal background.

abuse

n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

synonym : misuse, misconduct, vilification

(1) the problem of drug **abuse**, (2) victim of sexual **abuse**

Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for **abuse** of authority.

aspect

n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

synonym : characteristic, element, factor

(1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media production.

controversial

adj. causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute

synonym : contentious, disputed, questionable

(1) **controversial** book, (2) **controversial** policy
The issue of the death penalty is highly **controversial**.

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

synonym: depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

contentious

adj. likely to cause people to disagree and argue; liking to argue

synonym: antagonistic, combative, confrontational

(1) **contentious** subject, (2) **contentious** debate

There are many **contentious** issues in claiming a patent.

emergence

n. the process or fact of coming into existence or becoming apparent

synonym: appearance, emergence, rise

(1) **emergence** as a national leader, (2) re- **emergence** of rampant inflation

The **emergence** of a new virus can cause concern for public health.

feminism

n. the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society

synonym: women's rights, gender equality

(1) radical **feminism**, (2) liberal **feminism**

She is a strong advocate for **feminism** and works tirelessly for women's rights.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

reimagine

v. to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way

synonym: re-conceptualize, re-envision, re-create

(1) **reimagine** the future, (2) **reimagine** the possibilities

The company is trying to **reimagine** its business model to stay competitive.

revisit

v. to go to a place again, especially after a long period

synonym: reexplore, review, reexamine

(1) **revisit** a place, (2) **revisit** an old friend

We need to **revisit** this proposal as soon as the budget is more apparent than before.

rebel

n. someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it

synonym: insurgent, dissenter, mutineer

(1) **rebel** uprising, (2) group of **rebels**

The **rebels** fought against the government for their independence.

Session 2: Spelling

1. int_____ion by foreign powers *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
2. an et_____l doctrine *adj.* of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these
3. group of re__ls *n.* someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
4. pl_____ic love *adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
5. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
6. d__y the allegations *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
7. material we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
8. pre-mo____n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
9. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

ANSWERS: 1. intervention, 2. ethical, 3. rebel, 4. platonic, 5. process, 6. deny, 7. wealth, 8. modern, 9. eventually

10. res_____ed area *adj.* limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.
11. 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
12. there is no other alt_____ve *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
13. give his te_____ny *n.* a formal written or spoken statement that something is true, especially one given in court; something that serves as evidence
14. es_____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
15. de_____e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
16. co_____y goods by truck *v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
17. collective ins_____ce *n.* the act or an instance of demanding or saying something clearly; persistence
18. en_____ll with beauty *v.* to capture or hold someone's attention or interest completely; to captivate or fascinate
19. as_____te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
20. de_____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

ANSWERS: 10. restricted, 11. redefine, 12. alternative, 13. testimony, 14. essential, 15. define, 16. convey, 17. insistence, 18. enthrall, 19. associate, 20. deserve

21. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
22. 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
23. fe_____st perspective *adj.* describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women; (noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women
24. id_____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
25. ma_____l fidelity *adj.* of or relating to marriage
26. ra___l and ethnic backgrounds *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
27. a mailing la__l *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
28. ro_____ic movies *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

ANSWERS: 21. tradition, 22. pursue, 23. feminist, 24. identity, 25. marital, 26. racial, 27. label, 28. romantic

29. em___k on a foolish adventure *v.* to go on board a ship or plane; to set out on an enterprise or subject of study; to start something
30. affect ma_____l relations *adj.* of or relating to marriage
31. phi_____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
32. de_____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
33. li_____e renewal *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
34. the f__w in the legislation *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
35. hi_____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
36. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
37. re___e a license *v.* to officially cancel, annul, or withdraw something, often a law, privilege, or right that was previously granted
38. de___e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

ANSWERS: 29. embark, 30. marital, 31. philosophy, 32. deserve, 33. license, 34. flaw, 35. historic, 36. philosophy, 37. revoke, 38. define

39. imp_____ve need *adj.* very important or requiring attention or action
40. attract br__d attention *adj.* very wide; general
41. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
42. adamantly d__y killing *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
43. the in_____al economy *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
44. worry en_____ly about our future *adv.* in a way that continues for a long time or seems to have no end or limit
45. as_____te alcohol with gambling *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
46. rigidly unc_____ng *adj.* not changing or subject to change; constant
47. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
48. as__ts of social, political, and economic life *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
49. radical fe_____sm *n.* the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society

ANSWERS: 39. imperative, 40. broad, 41. debate, 42. deny, 43. internal, 44. endlessly, 45. associate, 46. unchanging, 47. essential, 48. aspect, 49. feminism

50. di_____s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
51. 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
52. ra____l prejudice *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
53. em_____ce as a national leader *n.* the process or fact of coming into existence or becoming apparent
54. fleshly de____e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
55. bi_____al orientation *adj.* attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women
56. em_____e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
57. non-fi_____n bestseller *n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
58. wo_____od experience *n.* the state or condition of being an adult female; a term used to describe the social and cultural aspects of being a woman

ANSWERS: 50. discuss, 51. upbringing, 52. racial, 53. emergence, 54. desire, 55. bisexual, 56. embrace, 57. fiction, 58. womanhood

59. bu___n of disease *n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry
60. chemical ad_____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
61. st_____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
62. gr__t a new license *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
63. unc_____ng laws *adj.* not changing or subject to change; constant
64. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
65. achieve the hi_____ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
66. ex___d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
67. a minor f__w *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
68. shoulder et_____l responsibility *adj.* of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these
69. bi_____al lifestyle *adj.* attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women
70. in_____al organs *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something

ANSWERS: 59. burden, 60. addition, 61. struggle, 62. grant, 63. unchanging, 64. participate, 65. historic, 66. expand, 67. flaw, 68. ethical, 69. bisexual, 70. internal

71. 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
72. the co_____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
73. human in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
74. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
75. publish a me_____r *n.* a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events
76. ex_____e our options *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
77. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
78. p__r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
79. the Ca_____ic Church *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

ANSWERS: 71. economy, 72. conflict, 73. intellect, 74. perspective, 75. memoir, 76. explore, 77. responsible, 78. peer, 79. Catholic

80. re____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
81. se____l appeal *adj.* relating to or consisting in the gratification of the senses or the indulgence of physical pleasure
82. pr____ic apple tree *adj.* producing many works, results, or offspring
83. gr__t a land *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
84. mistaken id____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
85. j__n denim *n.* a sturdy cotton twill fabric, typically blue, used for jeans and other clothing
86. a j__n skirt *n.* a sturdy cotton twill fabric, typically blue, used for jeans and other clothing
87. criminal acc____on *n.* a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone
88. a ra____l cure *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
89. free from am____ty *n.* the quality of being open to more than one interpretation; the uncertainty of meaning
90. fe____st movement *adj.* describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women; (noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women

ANSWERS: 80. relation, 81. sensual, 82. prolific, 83. grant, 84. identity, 85. jean, 86. jean, 87. accusation, 88. radical, 89. ambiguity, 90. feminist

91. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
92. co___y a complex idea *v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
93. bestowed bl_____ngs *n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
94. re___t the proposal *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
95. dual ge___r *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
96. ro_____ic breakup *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
97. ack_____ge his help *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
98. ex_____al commerce *adj.* belonging to or situated outside of someone or something

ANSWERS: 91. argue, 92. convey, 93. blessing, 94. reject, 95. gender, 96. romantic, 97. acknowledge, 98. external

99. embrace wo_____od *n.* the state or condition of being an adult female; a term used to describe the social and cultural aspects of being a woman
100. em___k on a trip *v.* to go on board a ship or plane; to set out on an enterprise or subject of study; to start something
101. co_____ge of a series *v.* to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet
102. con_____ial book *adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
103. carry a bu___n *n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry
104. rigid ins_____ce *n.* the act or an instance of demanding or saying something clearly; persistence
105. cou_____rt agreement *n.* a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
106. st_____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
107. ex_____al factors *adj.* belonging to or situated outside of someone or something
108. en_____ll the reader *v.* to capture or hold someone's attention or interest completely; to captivate or fascinate

ANSWERS: 99. womanhood, 100. embark, 101. converge, 102. controversial, 103. burden, 104. insistence, 105. counterpart, 106. struggle, 107. external, 108. enthrall

109. 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
110. employee mis_____ct *n.* behavior that is improper, illegal, or in violation of expected standards or norms, often involving abuse of power or trust
111. ethical mis_____ct *n.* behavior that is improper, illegal, or in violation of expected standards or norms, often involving abuse of power or trust
112. re_____ne the possibilities *v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
113. re_____t a place *v.* to go to a place again, especially after a long period
114. di_____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
115. repeat en_____ly *adv.* in a way that continues for a long time or seems to have no end or limit
116. ex_____e the world *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
117. p__r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
118. false acc_____on *n.* a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone

ANSWERS: 109. upbringing, 110. misconduct, 111. misconduct, 112. reimagine, 113. revisit, 114. discuss, 115. endlessly, 116. explore, 117. peer, 118. accusation

119. liberal fe_____sm *n.* the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society
120. a warm em_____e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of claspng another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
121. es____m for the other person *n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone
122. di_____s a matter with a laugh *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
123. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
124. ack_____ged beauty *adj.* recognized or admitted as being true or valid
125. ca_____ic in his tastes *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
126. re-em_____ce of rampant inflation *n.* the process or fact of coming into existence or becoming apparent
127. di_____e settlement *n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage
128. 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: 119. feminism, 120. embrace, 121. esteem, 122. dismiss, 123. responsible, 124. acknowledged, 125. Catholic, 126. emergence, 127. divorce, 128. ethics

129. re___e a contract *v.* to officially cancel, annul, or withdraw something, often a law, privilege, or right that was previously granted
130. count your bl_____ngs *n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
131. software li_____e *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
132. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
133. a broad sp_____um of opinion *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
134. moral imp_____ve *adj.* very important or requiring attention or action
135. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
136. negotiating cou_____rt *n.* a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
137. de_____e us to meet again *v.* to determine or set the course of something in advance, often in a way that seems predetermined or inevitable; to specify or choose someone or something for a particular fate or outcome

ANSWERS: 129. revoke, 130. blessing, 131. license, 132. intellect, 133. spectrum, 134. imperative, 135. debate, 136. counterpart, 137. destine

138. op_____s the minority *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
139. an_____al evidence *adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence
140. speak in a se_____l tone *adj.* relating to or consisting in the gratification of the senses or the indulgence of physical pleasure
141. ack_____ge the deed *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
142. pr_____in my future *v.* to determine or decree something in advance; to believe or accept that an outcome is predetermined by a higher power or fate
143. te_____ny before Congress *n.* a formal written or spoken statement that something is true, especially one given in court; something that serves as evidence
144. pl_____ic relationship *adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
145. an_____al example *adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence

ANSWERS: 138. oppress, 139. anecdotal, 140. sensual, 141. acknowledge, 142. preordain, 143. testimony, 144. platonic, 145. anecdotal

146. the problem of drug ab__e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
147. a consensual di____e *n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage
148. nontechnical as___ts of the job *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
149. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
150. pr____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
151. di____s a person from the office *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
152. rev_____ary change *adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
153. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
154. di___e grace *adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
155. majority of his we___h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

ANSWERS: 146. abuse, 147. divorce, 148. aspect, 149. perspective, 150. process, 151. dismiss, 152. revolutionary, 153. conversation, 154. divine, 155. wealth

156. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
157. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
158. op_____s the people with force *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
159. lactose res_____ed diet *adj.* limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.
160. an alt_____ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
161. unsatisfied de____e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
162. 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
163. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
164. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
165. genic com_____ons *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
166. na_____te the Pacific *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

ANSWERS: 156. complicated, 157. conversation, 158. oppress, 159. restricted, 160. alternative, 161. desire, 162. ethics, 163. eventually, 164. relation, 165. combination, 166. navigate

167. the characters that re_____nt numbers
v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
168. victim of sexual ab__e
n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
169. con_____ial policy
adj. causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
170. re_____t an old friend
v. to go to a place again, especially after a long period
171. na_____te through a document
v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
172. 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
173. a br__d mind
adj. very wide; general
174. re__l uprising
n. someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
175. con_____us subject
adj. likely to cause people to disagree and argue; liking to argue
176. stuff of science fi_____n
n. the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true

ANSWERS: 167. represent, 168. abuse, 169. controversial, 170. revisit, 171. navigate, 172. economy, 173. broad, 174. rebel, 175. contentious, 176. fiction

177. pr____ic period *adj.* producing many works, results, or offspring
178. avoid am_____ty in writing *n.* the quality of being open to more than one interpretation; the uncertainty of meaning
179. st___c electricity *adj.* not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing
180. surgical int_____ion *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
181. enforce rev_____ary justice *adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
182. 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
183. family me____r *n.* a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events
184. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
185. publicly ack_____ged truth *adj.* recognized or admitted as being true or valid
186. boost my self-es___m *n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone
187. pr_____in the sequence of events *v.* to determine or decree something in advance; to believe or accept that an outcome is predetermined by a higher power or fate

ANSWERS: 177. prolific, 178. ambiguity, 179. static, 180. intervention, 181. revolutionary, 182. pursue, 183. memoir, 184. participate, 185. acknowledged, 186. esteem, 187. preordain

188. be de_____ed to become a great artist *v.* to determine or set the course of something in advance, often in a way that seems predetermined or inevitable; to specify or choose someone or something for a particular fate or outcome
189. pr_____e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
190. re_____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
191. di_____e intervention *adj.* of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred
192. ex_____d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
193. ar___e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
194. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
195. st___c website *adj.* not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing
196. com_____on number *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
197. infrared sp_____um *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
198. ad_____on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

ANSWERS: 188. destine, 189. propose, 190. represent, 191. divine, 192. expand, 193. argue, 194. inspire, 195. static, 196. combination, 197. spectrum, 198. addition

199. the longstanding co_____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
200. a ra_____l flaw in the plan *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
201. a man of imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
202. high imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
203. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
204. mo____n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
205. con_____us debate *adj.* likely to cause people to disagree and argue; liking to argue
206. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
207. ge____r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
208. la__l a bag with my name *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

ANSWERS: 199. conflict, 200. radical, 201. importance, 202. importance, 203. inspire, 204. modern, 205. contentious, 206. tradition, 207. gender, 208. label

209. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
210. 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
211. co_____ge from different points *v.* to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet
212. pr_____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
213. re_____ne the future *v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
214. re____t all imperfect merchandise *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

ANSWERS: 209. complicated, 210. redefine, 211. converge, 212. propose, 213. reimagine, 214. reject

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Our knowledge helps _____ our clients successfully.
v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
2. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.
v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
3. Among young people, _____ pressure can be pretty influential.
n. a person who has the same age, status, or ability
4. The _____ fought against the government for their independence.
n. someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
5. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.
n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
6. His _____ expertise in the field earned him the respect of his peers.
adj. recognized or admitted as being true or valid
7. The _____ author had written over 20 books in just five years.
adj. producing many works, results, or offspring
8. It is _____ for politicians to be effective communicators.
adj. very important or requiring attention or action

ANSWERS: 1. navigate, 2. propose, 3. peer, 4. rebels, 5. perspective, 6. acknowledged, 7. prolific, 8. imperative

9. He could not _____ against temptation.

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

10. My friend shared an _____ story about her experience in customer service.

- adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence

11. That car has a low environmental _____.

- n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry

12. Truth is stranger than _____.

- n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true

13. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

14. The room was filled with the _____ aroma of incense and flowers.

- adj.* relating to or consisting in the gratification of the senses or the indulgence of physical pleasure

15. Some people believe that a higher power _____ everything that happens in life.

- v.* to determine or decree something in advance; to believe or accept that an outcome is predetermined by a higher power or fate

ANSWERS: 9. struggle, 10. anecdotal, 11. burden, 12. fiction, 13. conversation, 14. sensual, 15. preordains

16. The committee has decided to _____ the president from the post.
v. to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
17. The procession of demonstrators was _____ continuing.
adv. in a way that continues for a long time or seems to have no end or limit
18. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.
n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
19. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
20. He never _____ his fault.
v. to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
21. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
22. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.
n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
23. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

ANSWERS: 16. dismiss, 17. endlessly, 18. desire, 19. eventually, 20. acknowledged, 21. relations, 22. identity, 23. modern

24. Ethics is a branch of _____.
- n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
25. The magician's illusions always managed to _____ the audience.
- v.* to capture or hold someone's attention or interest completely; to captivate or fascinate
26. Despite her _____ he refused to change his mind.
- n.* the act or an instance of demanding or saying something clearly; persistence
27. We need to _____ this proposal as soon as the budget is more apparent than before.
- v.* to go to a place again, especially after a long period
28. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.
- v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
29. He is still _____ stealing the money from the cash register.
- v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
30. She is a strong advocate for _____ and works tirelessly for women's rights.
- n.* the belief in and advocacy of equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for all genders, particularly women, and the recognition of the systematic and cultural oppression of women in society
31. The _____ leader inspired others to join the fight for freedom and democracy.
- adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change

ANSWERS: 24. philosophy, 25. enthrall, 26. insistence, 27. revisit, 28. define, 29. denying, 30. feminism, 31. revolutionary

32. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.

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

33. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.

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

34. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

- n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

35. The two rivers _____ into one near this area.

- v.* to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet

36. The management must _____ strategies to increase office security.

- v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

37. 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

38. There are many _____ issues in claiming a patent.

- adj.* likely to cause people to disagree and argue; liking to argue

39. The company is trying to _____ its business model to stay competitive.

- v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way

ANSWERS: 32. wealth, 33. conflicts, 34. process, 35. converge, 36. explore, 37. ethical, 38. contentious, 39. reimagine

40. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.
n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
41. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.
adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so
42. Witness _____ backed up the defendant's claims.
n. a formal written or spoken statement that something is true, especially one given in court; something that serves as evidence
43. It was his first _____ love.
adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
44. The _____ of a new virus can cause concern for public health.
n. the process or fact of coming into existence or becoming apparent
45. 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
46. He wrote his _____ while awaiting trial.
n. a historical account or biography written from the writer's knowledge of famous people, places, or events
47. The _____ to the safe was a secret.
n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

ANSWERS: 40. gender, 41. historic, 42. testimony, 43. romantic, 44. emergence, 45. responsible, 46. memoirs, 47. combination

48. She described herself as _____ having been in relationships with male and female partners.

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

49. The _____ on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

50. The chairperson _____ him the right to speak.

v. to agree to give or allow somebody

51. The view from the mountaintop was truly _____.

adj. of, from, or like a god; holy or sacred

52. The _____ ideals of inclusivity and diversity are important in creating a more just and equal world.

adj. describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women; (noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women

53. This device displayed the speech _____ spectrographically.

n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

54. An ironic remark often _____ an intended meaning obliquely.

v. to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another

55. The _____ nature of the mountain range was a source of constant wonder for the hikers.

adj. not changing or subject to change; constant

ANSWERS: 48. bisexual, 49. label, 50. granted, 51. divine, 52. feminist, 53. spectrum, 54. conveys, 55. unchanging

56. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.
- n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
57. The government established by the coup was more _____ than before.
- adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
58. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
- v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
59. The issue of the death penalty is highly _____.
- adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
60. The couple decided to get a _____ after many years of marriage.
- n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage
61. We _____ on a new project.
- v.* to go on board a ship or plane; to set out on an enterprise or subject of study; to start something
62. 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
63. The CEO was fired due to allegations of _____ in the workplace.
- n.* behavior that is improper, illegal, or in violation of expected standards or norms, often involving abuse of power or trust

ANSWERS: 56. alternative, 57. radical, 58. discuss, 59. controversial, 60. divorce, 61. embarked, 62. ethics, 63. misconduct

64. This _____ does not require the patient's consent.

- n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so

65. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

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

66. More and more people are utilizing counselors to help resolve their _____ problems.

- adj.* of or relating to marriage

67. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

- n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

68. The country has designated our products as _____ import goods.

- adj.* limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

69. 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

70. A minor _____ conflict later led to a civil war.

- adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

71. The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve _____ disputes.

- adj.* of or relating to the inside of something

ANSWERS: 64. intervention, 65. argue, 66. marital, 67. tradition, 68. restricted, 69. redefined, 70. racial, 71. internal

72. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.
n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
73. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.
v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
74. 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
75. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.
n. a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
76. Sociologists are now interested in _____ world peace.
adj. universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
77. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.
v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
78. The _____ in the instructions made it difficult for her to complete the task.
n. the quality of being open to more than one interpretation; the uncertainty of meaning
79. His professional experience includes all _____ of media production.
n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

ANSWERS: 72. addition, 73. associate, 74. pursue, 75. debate, 76. catholic, 77. deserved, 78. ambiguity, 79. aspects

80. The woods _____ the house.

- v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

81. Even the slightest design _____ in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

- n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

82. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.

- v.* to take part in something

83. The _____ image on the screen took a lot of work to make out.

- adj.* not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing

84. She wore her favorite pair of _____ to the party.

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

85. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.

- adj.* indispensable; fundamental

86. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.

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

87. The company decided to _____ their offer of employment after discovering the applicant's criminal background.

- v.* to officially cancel, annul, or withdraw something, often a law, privilege, or right that was previously granted

88. Receiving support from his friends was a great _____ in his time of need.

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

ANSWERS: 80. embrace, 81. flaw, 82. participated, 83. static, 84. jeans, 85. essential, 86. expand, 87. revoke, 88. blessing

89. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

90. The _____ of theft was unfounded, and the suspect was eventually cleared of all charges.

n. a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone

91. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

92. Some people believe that we are all _____ for greatness.

v. to determine or set the course of something in advance, often in a way that seems predetermined or inevitable; to specify or choose someone or something for a particular fate or outcome

93. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for _____ of authority.

n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

94. 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

95. He is our loyal customer who should be held in high _____.

n. great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone

96. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 89. complicated, 90. accusation, 91. represent, 92. destined, 93. abuse, 94. upbringing, 95. esteem, 96. intellect

97. His _____ in the other company is responsible for marketing.
- n.* a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
98. Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's _____.
- n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
99. The celebration of _____ is often disregarded in male-dominated industries.
- n.* the state or condition of being an adult female; a term used to describe the social and cultural aspects of being a woman
100. Historically, many countries have often _____ certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.
- v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
101. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.
- n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
102. His relationship with her was completely _____.
- adj.* (of relationship or emotion) friendly or affectionate but not sexual
103. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.
- v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
104. He accumulated wealth across a _____ spectrum of assets.
- adj.* very wide; general

ANSWERS: 97. counterpart, 98. license, 99. womanhood, 100. oppressed, 101. importance, 102. platonic, 103. rejected, 104. broad

105. 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

106. When a company discloses information to the market, an _____ auditor verifies them.

adj. belonging to or situated outside of someone or something

107. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

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

ANSWERS: 105. economy, 106. external, 107. inspired