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Session 1: Word List

coronavirus

n. a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2

synonym : covid

(1) **coronavirus** antibody test kit, (2) **coronavirus**

bankruptcy

Considering the situation of **coronavirus**, organized stopped this year's beer festival.

jolt

v. to move or cause to move with a sudden jerky motion; to disturb someone's composure); (noun) a sudden, sharp movement or shock

synonym : shock, jar, bump

(1) **jolt** entire social systems, (2) **jolt** of excitement

The news of the unexpected announcement **jolted** the stock market.

startling

adj. extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying

synonym : alarming, astonishing, shocking

(1) **startling** earthquake shocks, (2) **startling** discovery
He describes the story with **startling** reality.

scatter

v. to cause to separate and go in different directions
synonym: disperse, spread, bestrew

(1) **scatter** seeds, (2) **scatter** around the internet
The hunter's approach **scattered** the geese.

epicenter

n. the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake

synonym: ground zero, focus, center

(1) the **epicenter** of the sports world, (2) **epicenter** magnitude

The **epicenter** of the earthquake was located deep beneath the earth's surface.

pandemic

n. an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area

synonym: outbreak

(1) flu **pandemic**, (2) global **pandemic**

They fear a **pandemic** of a new type of virus.

curator

n. a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.

synonym: conservator, custodian, administrator

(1) **curator** of a library, (2) interim **curator**

The museum **curator** conserved the ancient manuscripts.

confuse

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

synonym: confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

worsen

v. to become or make something worse

synonym: languish, degenerate, degrade

(1) **worsen** a relation, (2) **worsen** the food problem
Unilateral import bans have **worsened** that country's terms of trade.

grapple

v. to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons

synonym: brawl, scuffle, wrestle

(1) **grapple** with problem, (2) **grapple** with each other
He needed to **grapple** with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.

escalate

v. to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

synonym: increase, intensify, expand

(1) **escalate** into a major international incident, (2) to **escalate**

The situation quickly **escalated** and turned violent.

sanitize

v. to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication

synonym: clean, disinfect, sterilize

(1) **sanitize** surfaces, (2) **sanitize** the kitchen
I always **sanitize** my hands before eating to prevent germs from spreading.

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.

miraculous

adj. very effective or lucky, or completely unexpected

synonym: amazing, astonishing, awesome

(1) a **miraculous** encounter, (2) go through a **miraculous** change

He made a **miraculous** recovery.

caveat

n. a warning against certain acts; (law) a formal notice filed with a court or officer to suspend a proceeding until the filer is given a hearing

synonym : warning, caution, admonition

(1) a **caveat** against unfair practices, (2) general **caveat**

We often ignore important **caveats** from nature.

retroactive

adj. taking effect from a date in the past rather than the present; applying to a prior period or event

synonym : retrospective, backward-looking

(1) **retroactive** interference, (2) **retroactive** changes

The **retroactive** pay increase was a nice surprise for the employees.

explode

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

synonym : detonate, blast, rupture

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

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

misstep

n. a mistake or error in judgment or action, often resulting in an awkward or embarrassing situation; a misjudged or poorly executed step or movement

synonym : mistake, blunder, fumble

(1) recover from a **misstep**, (2) navigating **missteps**

She took a **misstep** on the stairs and tumbled down to the bottom.

lockdown

n. an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19

(1) go on **lockdown**, (2) **lockdown** area

The country's prime minister has decided to implement a nationwide **lockdown** measure.

asymptomatic

adj. not experiencing or exhibiting any symptoms of a particular disease or condition, even though the individual may be infected or affected by it

synonym : asymptotic, symptomless, unnoticeable

(1) **asymptomatic** carrier, (2) **asymptomatic** infection

The study showed that one-third of infected individuals could remain **asymptomatic** throughout the disease.

rehabilitate

v. to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

synonym : reform, restore, renovate

(1) **rehabilitate** prisoners, (2) **rehabilitate** wildlife

The organization works to **rehabilitate** drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.

pneumonia

n. an infection or inflammation of the lungs, typically caused by bacteria, viruses, or other microorganisms

synonym : lung infection, bronchitis

(1) bacterial **pneumonia**, (2) viral **pneumonia**

She was hospitalized with a severe case of **pneumonia**.

reprimand

v. to express severe disapproval of someone, typically in a formal statement or action; (noun) a rebuke or scolding given to someone, especially by an authority figure, for a mistake or misbehavior

synonym : rebuke, admonition, scolding

(1) **reprimand** me for staying out too late, (2) official **reprimand**

The teacher **reprimanded** the student for cheating on the test.

backdate

v. to assign a date to a document or event that is earlier than the actual date; to make something appear as if it happened earlier than it did

synonym : postdate, retrodate, antedate

(1) **backdate** a document, (2) **backdate** a transaction

The employee tried to **backdate** the report to avoid getting into trouble.

defy

v. to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.

synonym: challenge, resist, disobey

(1) **defy** gravity, (2) **defy** authority

She tried to **defy** her parents by moving to the city against their wishes.

rumor

n. a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth

synonym: gossip, whisper, talk

(1) a false **rumor**, (2) **rumor** mill

There was a baseless **rumor** that the company was going bankrupt.

afterward

adv. after the time mentioned

synonym: later, thereafter, following

(1) a few years **afterward**, (2) go there **afterward**

We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem **afterward**.

choreograph

v. to compose a sequence of dance steps, often to music

(1) **choreograph** a stage performance, (2) exquisitely **choreographed**

He had **choreographed** the dance in this play himself.

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.

whistleblower

n. a person who reveals or reports illegal, unethical, or immoral activities, primarily in the workplace or

government, that are not publicly known but harm the public interest or other people

synonym: informant, snitch

(1) anonymous **whistleblower**, (2) government **whistleblower**

The government has laws in place to protect **whistleblowers** from retaliation.

pun

n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay

synonym: joke, quip, wordplay

(1) witty **pun**, (2) silly **pun**

The comedian's **pun** had the audience laughing out loud.

sentimental

adj. connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism

synonym: bathetic, drippy, maudlin

(1) in a **sentimental** mood, (2) **sentimental** damage

Stop being **sentimental** and always speak the truth.

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.

quarantine

n. a state of isolation imposed on people or animals to prevent the spread of disease

synonym: isolation, confinement, restriction

(1) out of **quarantine**, (2) mandatory **quarantine**

Due to the outbreak, the government imposed a two-week **quarantine** for all travelers.

infect

v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

synonym: pollute, contaminate, affect

(1) **infect** other animal species, (2) **infect** a computer with a virus

Children often **infect** parents with this head cold.

capita

n. a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone

synonym: head, headcount, person

(1) per **capita** sales, (2) the agricultural yield per **capita** GDP per **capita** shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.

ubiquitous

adj. being or existing everywhere at once

synonym: universal, omnipresent, everywhere

(1) **ubiquitous** computing, (2) **ubiquitous** across ecosystems

Sugar is **ubiquitous** in food.

supercomputer

n. a computer with a high level of computing power and speed, typically used for scientific or engineering computations that require immense amounts of data processing

synonym: high-performance computer, mainframe, giant computer

(1) **supercomputer** performance, (2) **supercomputer** technology

China has developed one of the world's fastest **supercomputers** for its space program.

disinfect

v. to clean something using chemicals or other materials that kill germs or bacteria, making it safe and free from harmful microorganisms

synonym: cleanse, sanitize, sterilize

(1) **disinfect** a wound, (2) **disinfect** the kitchen

It is important to **disinfect** surfaces regularly to prevent the

spread of germs.

chopstick

n. a pair of thin, tapered sticks used in East Asian cultures to pick up and eat food

(1) **chopstick** holder, (2) wooden **chopstick**

She struggled to grab the sushi with **chopsticks**.

opine

v. to express or state an opinion about something; to hold or assert a belief or view about something

synonym: think, believe, suppose

(1) **opine** on the matter, (2) **opine** about politics

I **opine** that investing in renewable energy sources is the key to a sustainable future.

webinar

n. a seminar or presentation that is conducted virtually over the internet, usually with an interactive component that allows for audience participation

synonym: web conference, online seminar, virtual workshop

(1) **webinar** registration, (2) attend a **webinar**

I learned a lot from the **webinar** on digital marketing.

misinformation

n. information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately

synonym: falsity, misreport, misstatement

(1) **misinformation** about a vaccine, (2) combat **misinformation** on social media

The government called for caution against pseudoscientific **misinformation** about vaccines.

triage

n. the process of sorting or categorizing patients or other items by severity or priority to determine the order in which they should be treated or handled

synonym: sorting, prioritizing, categorizing

(1) **triage** system, (2) **triage** nurse

In the aftermath of the hurricane, the military set up a **triage** center to assist with medical emergencies.

annoy

v. to make someone angry, anxious, or irritating slightly
synonym : aggravate, irritate, unsettle

(1) **annoy** at the time, (2) **annoy** everyone else

Her constant chatter was starting to **annoy** the neighbors.

puzzled

adj. confused or uncertain because you do not understand something

synonym : confused, perplexed, bewildered

(1) **puzzled** expression, (2) **puzzled** by the question

She was **puzzled** by the strange behavior of her cat.

diligent

adj. showing or characterized by care and effort in your work or duties

synonym : active, engaged, assiduous

(1) a **diligent** person, (2) a **diligent** search of the files

The **diligent** detective investigated all clues.

ingrained

adj. deeply rooted in someone's mind or behavior; difficult to change due to being established for a long time

synonym : inborn, embedded, deep-seated

(1) **ingrained** habit, (2) **ingrained** prejudice

Her fear of dogs was **ingrained** after a traumatic experience in childhood.

stigma

n. a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person

synonym : mark, blemish, disgrace

(1) social **stigma**, (2) **stigma** against obesity

The mental health **stigma** often prevents people from seeking treatment.

ostracize

v. to exclude someone from a group or society by general consent; to avoid speaking to or dealing with intentionally

synonym : exclude, shun, isolate

(1) **ostracize** individual, (2) **ostracize** group

His peers **ostracized** him for his controversial beliefs.

forcibly

adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

synonym: violently, roughly, aggressively

(1) **forcibly** remove, (2) **forcibly** taken into a car

The police officer **forcibly** removed the protesters from the public park.

overwhelm

v. to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

synonym: conquer, crush, dominate

(1) he was **overwhelmed** with gratitude, (2) **overwhelm** opponents by numbers

Too much variety may **overwhelm** and confuse viewers.

horrify

v. to shock or disgust greatly

synonym: shock, dismay, terrify

(1) **horrify** audience, (2) **horrify** victims

The series of terrorist attacks **horrify** the entire nation.

ventilate

v. to supply fresh air to a room, building, etc.; to remove stale air from it

synonym: air out, circulate, freshen

(1) **ventilate** my opinion, (2) **ventilate** air

It's important to **ventilate** the room to avoid the buildup of harmful gases.

antiviral

adj. inhibiting or stopping the growth and reproduction of viruses; (noun) any drug that destroys viruses

(1) **antiviral** effect, (2) an **antiviral** agent

The doctor immediately prescribed **antiviral** drugs.

well-being

n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

synonym: health, welfare, happiness

(1) the **well-being** of a nation, (2) a sense of **well-being**

We are responsible for the care and **well-being** of all our employees.

selfless

adj. concerned more with the needs and desires of others than with one's own; unselfish; altruistic

synonym: unselfish, altruistic, generous

(1) **selfless** act, (2) **selfless** devotion

Her **selfless** dedication to the community earned her a prestigious award.

masthead

n. the topmost part of a ship's mast; a list of the staff of a newspaper or magazine, usually printed at the beginning of the publication

synonym: banner, flag, ensign

(1) **masthead** logo, (2) **masthead** title

The newspaper **masthead** displayed the name of the publication along with the current date and weather.

dime

n. an American or Canadian coin worth one-tenth of a dollar

(1) **dime** store, (2) behind a **dime**

He never received a **dime**, even from the company of a close friend.

stereotype

n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

(1) avoid **stereotype**, (2) negative **stereotypes**

Changing **stereotypes** about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

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

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

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

slack

adj. lacking in tension or firmness; loose or not tight; having a relaxed or lazy attitude

synonym: loose, lax, floppy

(1) a **slack** rope, (2) **slack** performance

The team's **slack** attitude towards deadlines caused the project to fall behind schedule.

commonplace

adj. occurring very often; lacking originality or interest

synonym: ordinary, routine, mundane

(1) become a **commonplace** sight, (2) **commonplace** event

Forgetting someone's name is a **commonplace** occurrence.

whistle

v. to make a high-pitched sound by forcing breath through a small opening, usually with the lips or fingers; (noun) a piece of equipment that forces air or steam against an edge or into a cavity and so produces a loud shrill sound

synonym: sound, honk, tweet

(1) **whistle** a tune, (2) **whistle** for help

The employee decided to **whistle-blow** on the company's illegal activities.

hashtag

n. a word or phrase preceded by the symbol #, used on social media websites and applications to identify messages on a specific topic

(1) marked with a **hashtag**, (2) trending **hashtag**

Our brand's campaign uses a unique **hashtag** to track engagement and reach.

app

n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a

web browser on a PC

synonym : application, software

(1) killer **app**, (2) cannot log in to the **app**

The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the **app's** release.

cancel

n. a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information

synonym : suppressor, scrutineer, examiner

(1) **cancel** a book, (2) **cancel** a TV program

The newspaper editor decided to **cancel** the controversial headline to avoid backlash.

detrimental

adj. causing harm or damage

synonym : harmful, damaging, injurious

(1) **detrimental** eating habits, (2) **detrimental** to good health

The new policy had a **detrimental** impact on small businesses.

trump

n. a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

(1) **trump** card, (2) choose **trump**

The **trump** suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.

animosity

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

synonym : enmity, hostility, bitterness

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

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

undercover

adj. carried out or conducted in secret, with one's true identity or purpose concealed; disguised, incognito

synonym : covert, hidden, stealthy

(1) **undercover** operation, (2) **undercover** journalist

The **undercover** police officer was able to gather crucial evidence without being detected.

intensify

v. to increase or make something increase in extent or strength

synonym : amplify, boost, strengthen

(1) **intensify** diplomatic efforts, (2) **intensify** a good relationship

Rebels have pledged to **intensify** the armed struggle against the dictatorship.

nationalist

adj. relating to or supporting a political ideology that emphasizes a strong sense of national identity and devotion to one's own country

synonym : chauvinist, patriotic, jingoist

(1) **nationalist** sentiment, (2) **nationalist** revolt

The **nationalist** rally attracted thousands of supporters.

dissipate

v. to disperse or scatter widely

synonym : scatter, disperse, evaporate

(1) **dissipate** heat, (2) **dissipate** stress

The fog **dissipated**, and the air cleared up.

optimist

n. a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future

synonym : positive thinker, dreamer, idealist

(1) **optimist** by nature, (2) excessive **optimist**

She is a confident **optimist** who always looks on the bright side.

drastic

adj. radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact

synonym : extreme, fierce, radical

(1) **drastic** measures, (2) make **drastic** revision

The global community is undergoing **drastic** changes at present.

amaze

v. to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration

synonym: astound, surprise, stagger

(1) **amaze** and entertain visitors, (2) **amaze** everyone

The magician's tricks **amazed** the audience.

astonishing

adj. surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

synonym: surprising, shocking, astounding

(1) **astonishing** achievement, (2) make **astonishing** gains

The news of her sudden death was **astonishing** to everyone who knew her.

powerless

adj. lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change

synonym: helpless, impotent, feeble

(1) **powerless** position, (2) **powerless** in the organization

During the hurricane, we felt **powerless** against the winds and rain.

heroism

n. great courage or bravery, especially in the face of danger or adversity; the act of sacrificing oneself for a noble cause

synonym: bravery, valor, courage

(1) acts of **heroism**, (2) military **heroism**

The firefighter showed true **heroism** when he rescued the family from the burning building.

embarrass

v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

synonym: disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project

He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. navigating mi_____ps | <i>n.</i> a mistake or error in judgment or action, often resulting in an awkward or embarrassing situation; a misjudged or poorly executed step or movement |
| 2. re_____ne customer experience | <i>v.</i> to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way |
| 3. bacterial pn_____ia | <i>n.</i> an infection or inflammation of the lungs, typically caused by bacteria, viruses, or other microorganisms |
| 4. di_____te heat | <i>v.</i> to disperse or scatter widely |
| 5. flu pa_____ic | <i>n.</i> an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area |
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| 7. os_____ze individual | <i>v.</i> to exclude someone from a group or society by general consent; to avoid speaking to or dealing with intentionally |
| 8. ma_____ad logo | <i>n.</i> the topmost part of a ship's mast; a list of the staff of a newspaper or magazine, usually printed at the beginning of the publication |
| 9. em_____ss political enemy | <i>v.</i> to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed |

ANSWERS: 1. misstep, 2. redefine, 3. pneumonia, 4. dissipate, 5. pandemic, 6. animosity, 7. ostracize, 8. masthead, 9. embarrass

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| 12. an__y at the time | <i>v.</i> to make someone angry, anxious, or irritating slightly |
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| 14. a sl__k rope | <i>adj.</i> lacking in tension or firmness; loose or not tight; having a relaxed or lazy attitude |
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ANSWERS: 10. astonishing, 11. intensify, 12. annoy, 13. trump, 14. slack, 15. lockdown, 16. triage, 17. choreograph, 18. caveat, 19. whistle

20. ma_____ad title *n.* the topmost part of a ship's mast; a list of the staff of a newspaper or magazine, usually printed at the beginning of the publication
21. go there af_____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
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23. silly p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
24. an__y everyone else *v.* to make someone angry, anxious, or irritating slightly
25. the ep_____er of the sports world *n.* the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake
26. a di_____nt search of the files *adj.* showing or characterized by care and effort in your work or duties
27. ve_____te air *v.* to supply fresh air to a room, building, etc.; to remove stale air from it
28. nat_____st sentiment *adj.* relating to or supporting a political ideology that emphasizes a strong sense of national identity and devotion to one's own country
29. ov_____lm opponents by numbers *v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
30. make ast_____ng gains *adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

ANSWERS: 20. masthead, 21. afterward, 22. disinfect, 23. pun, 24. annoy, 25. epicenter, 26. diligent, 27. ventilate, 28. nationalist, 29. overwhelm, 30. astonishing

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| 31. det_____al to good health | <i>adj.</i> causing harm or damage |
| 32. cor_____us bankruptcy | <i>n.</i> a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2 |
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| 39. military he_____m | <i>n.</i> great courage or bravery, especially in the face of danger or adversity; the act of sacrificing oneself for a noble cause |
| 40. sup_____ter performance | <i>n.</i> a computer with a high level of computing power and speed, typically used for scientific or engineering computations that require immense amounts of data processing |

ANSWERS: 31. detrimental, 32. coronavirus, 33. confer, 34. misinformation, 35. detrimental, 36. grapple, 37. retroactive, 38. well-being, 39. heroism, 40. supercomputer

41. negative ste_____pes *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
42. ba_____te a document *v.* to assign a date to a document or event that is earlier than the actual date; to make something appear as if it happened earlier than it did
43. in_____ed habit *adj.* deeply rooted in someone's mind or behavior; difficult to change due to being established for a long time
44. co____r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
45. viral pn_____ia *n.* an infection or inflammation of the lungs, typically caused by bacteria, viruses, or other microorganisms
46. co_____e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
47. fo_____ly taken into a car *adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will
48. se_____ss act *adj.* concerned more with the needs and desires of others than with one's own; unselfish; altruistic
49. become a com_____ce sight *adj.* occurring very often; lacking originality or interest
50. cor_____us antibody test kit *n.* a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2

ANSWERS: 41. stereotype, 42. backdate, 43. ingrained, 44. confer, 45. pneumonia, 46. confuse, 47. forcibly, 48. selfless, 49. commonplace, 50. coronavirus

51. st___a against obesity *n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
52. wh_____e for help *v.* to make a high-pitched sound by forcing breath through a small opening, usually with the lips or fingers; (noun) a piece of equipment that forces air or steam against an edge or into a cavity and so produces a loud shrill sound
53. cannot log in to the a_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
54. ubi_____us computing *adj.* being or existing everywhere at once
55. deep-seated an_____ty *n.* strong hostility or hatred towards someone or something, often resulting in conflict or ill-will
56. po_____ss in the organization *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
57. es_____te into a major international incident *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
58. ho_____y victims *v.* to shock or disgust greatly
59. op__e about politics *v.* to express or state an opinion about something; to hold or assert a belief or view about something
60. an an_____al agent *adj.* inhibiting or stopping the growth and reproduction of viruses; (noun) any drug that destroys viruses

ANSWERS: 51. stigma, 52. whistle, 53. app, 54. ubiquitous, 55. animosity, 56. powerless, 57. escalate, 58. horrify, 59. opine, 60. antiviral

61. di_____ct the kitchen *v.* to clean something using chemicals or other materials that kill germs or bacteria, making it safe and free from harmful microorganisms
62. po_____ss position *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
63. fo_____ly remove *adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will
64. ce____r a book *n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information
65. sup_____ter technology *n.* a computer with a high level of computing power and speed, typically used for scientific or engineering computations that require immense amounts of data processing
66. ho_____y audience *v.* to shock or disgust greatly
67. sl__k performance *adj.* lacking in tension or firmness; loose or not tight; having a relaxed or lazy attitude
68. 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
69. interim cu_____r *n.* a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.

ANSWERS: 61. disinfect, 62. powerless, 63. forcibly, 64. censor, 65. supercomputer, 66. horrify, 67. slack, 68. redefine, 69. curator

70. in_____ed prejudice *adj.* deeply rooted in someone's mind or behavior; difficult to change due to being established for a long time
71. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
72. go through a mir_____us change *adj.* very effective or lucky, or completely unexpected
73. op_____st by nature *n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
74. recover from a mi_____p *n.* a mistake or error in judgment or action, often resulting in an awkward or embarrassing situation; a misjudged or poorly executed step or movement
75. in___t other animal species *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
76. am___e and entertain visitors *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
77. we_____r registration *n.* a seminar or presentation that is conducted virtually over the internet, usually with an interactive component that allows for audience participation
78. 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
79. wo___n a relation *v.* to become or make something worse
80. trending ha_____g *n.* a word or phrase preceded by the symbol #, used on social media websites and applications to identify messages on a specific topic

ANSWERS: 70. ingrained, 71. industrious, 72. miraculous, 73. optimist, 74. misstep, 75. infect, 76. amaze, 77. webinar, 78. converge, 79. worsen, 80. hashtag

81. anonymous whi_____wer *n.* a person who reveals or reports illegal, unethical, or immoral activities, primarily in the workplace or government, that are not publicly known but harm the public interest or other people
82. ret_____ve changes *adj.* taking effect from a date in the past rather than the present; applying to a prior period or event
83. in___t a computer with a virus *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
84. ubi_____us across ecosystems *adj.* being or existing everywhere at once
85. global pa_____ic *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
86. ch_____ck holder *n.* a pair of thin, tapered sticks used in East Asian cultures to pick up and eat food
87. wo___n the food problem *v.* to become or make something worse
88. official re_____nd *v.* to express severe disapproval of someone, typically in a formal statement or action; (noun) a rebuke or scolding given to someone, especially by an authority figure, for a mistake or misbehavior
89. per ca___a sales *n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
90. em_____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

ANSWERS: 81. whistleblower, 82. retroactive, 83. infect, 84. ubiquitous, 85. pandemic, 86. chopstick, 87. worsen, 88. reprimand, 89. capita, 90. empathy

91. full of em_____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
92. und_____er journalist *adj.* carried out or conducted in secret, with one's true identity or purpose concealed; disguised, incognito
93. in a sen_____al mood *adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism
94. os_____ze group *v.* to exclude someone from a group or society by general consent; to avoid speaking to or dealing with intentionally
95. avoid ste_____pe *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
96. ep_____er magnitude *n.* the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake
97. sc_____r around the internet *v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
98. ex_____e in popularity *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
99. asy_____tic infection *adj.* not experiencing or exhibiting any symptoms of a particular disease or condition, even though the individual may be infected or affected by it
100. asy_____tic carrier *adj.* not experiencing or exhibiting any symptoms of a particular disease or condition, even though the individual may be infected or affected by it

ANSWERS: 91. empathy, 92. undercover, 93. sentimental, 94. ostracize, 95. stereotype, 96. epicenter, 97. scatter, 98. explode, 99. asymptomatic, 100. asymptomatic

101. killer a_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
102. a mir_____us encounter *adj.* very effective or lucky, or completely unexpected
103. social st___a *n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
104. marked with a ha_____g *n.* a word or phrase preceded by the symbol #, used on social media websites and applications to identify messages on a specific topic
105. pu_____d by the question *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
106. tr__p card *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
107. mandatory qua_____ne *n.* a state of isolation imposed on people or animals to prevent the spread of disease
108. d__y gravity *v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
109. wooden ch_____ck *n.* a pair of thin, tapered sticks used in East Asian cultures to pick up and eat food
110. nat_____st revolt *adj.* relating to or supporting a political ideology that emphasizes a strong sense of national identity and devotion to one's own country

ANSWERS: 101. app, 102. miraculous, 103. stigma, 104. hashtag, 105. puzzled, 106. trump, 107. quarantine, 108. defy, 109. chopstick, 110. nationalist

111. a few years af_____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
112. in_____fy a good relationship *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
113. j__t entire social systems *v.* to move or cause to move with a sudden jerky motion; to disturb someone's composure); (noun) a sudden, sharp movement or shock
114. pu_____d expression *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
115. lo_____wn area *n.* an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19
116. ba_____te a transaction *v.* to assign a date to a document or event that is earlier than the actual date; to make something appear as if it happened earlier than it did
117. an_____al effect *adj.* inhibiting or stopping the growth and reproduction of viruses; (noun) any drug that destroys viruses
118. di_____te stress *v.* to disperse or scatter widely
119. j__t of excitement *v.* to move or cause to move with a sudden jerky motion; to disturb someone's composure); (noun) a sudden, sharp movement or shock
120. reh_____ate prisoners *v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

ANSWERS: 111. afterward, 112. intensify, 113. jolt, 114. puzzled, 115. lockdown, 116. backdate, 117. antiviral, 118. dissipate, 119. jolt, 120. rehabilitate

121. sc____r seeds *v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
122. out of qua_____ne *n.* a state of isolation imposed on people or animals to prevent the spread of disease
123. tr____e nurse *n.* the process of sorting or categorizing patients or other items by severity or priority to determine the order in which they should be treated or handled
124. government whi_____wer *n.* a person who reveals or reports illegal, unethical, or immoral activities, primarily in the workplace or government, that are not publicly known but harm the public interest or other people
125. ve_____te my opinion *v.* to supply fresh air to a room, building, etc.; to remove stale air from it
126. ru__r mill *n.* a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
127. sa_____ze the kitchen *v.* to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication
128. ex_____e in anger *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
129. general ca____t *n.* a warning against certain acts; (law) a formal notice filed with a court or officer to suspend a proceeding until the filer is given a hearing

ANSWERS: 121. scatter, 122. quarantine, 123. triage, 124. whistleblower, 125. ventilate, 126. rumor, 127. sanitize, 128. explode, 129. caveat

130. the agricultural yield per ca___a *n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
131. em_____ss my project *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
132. st_____ng discovery *adj.* extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying
133. behind a d__e *n.* an American or Canadian coin worth one-tenth of a dollar
134. he was ov_____lmed with gratitude *v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
135. exquisitely cho_____phed *v.* to compose a sequence of dance steps, often to music
136. acts of he_____m *n.* great courage or bravery, especially in the face of danger or adversity; the act of sacrificing oneself for a noble cause
137. the wel_____ng of a nation *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
138. 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
139. re_____nd me for staying out too late *v.* to express severe disapproval of someone, typically in a formal statement or action; (noun) a rebuke or scolding given to someone, especially by an authority figure, for a mistake or misbehavior

ANSWERS: 130. capita, 131. embarrass, 132. startling, 133. dime, 134. overwhelm, 135. choreograph, 136. heroism, 137. well-being, 138. converge, 139. reprimand

140. sa____ze surfaces *v.* to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication
141. cu____r of a library *n.* a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.
142. am__e everyone *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
143. gr____e with problem *v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
144. witty p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
145. a false ru__r *n.* a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
146. dr____c measures *adj.* radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact
147. ind____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
148. d__e store *n.* an American or Canadian coin worth one-tenth of a dollar
149. attend a we____r *n.* a seminar or presentation that is conducted virtually over the internet, usually with an interactive component that allows for audience participation

ANSWERS: 140. sanitize, 141. curator, 142. amaze, 143. grapple, 144. pun, 145. rumor, 146. drastic, 147. industrious, 148. dime, 149. webinar

150. a di_____nt person *adj.* showing or characterized by care and effort in your work or duties
151. st_____ng earthquake shocks *adj.* extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying
152. und_____er operation *adj.* carried out or conducted in secret, with one's true identity or purpose concealed; disguised, incognito
153. excessive op_____st *n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
154. to es_____te *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
155. make dr_____c revision *adj.* radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact
156. com_____ce event *adj.* occurring very often; lacking originality or interest
157. ce____r a TV program *n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information
158. op__e on the matter *v.* to express or state an opinion about something; to hold or assert a belief or view about something
159. se_____ss devotion *adj.* concerned more with the needs and desires of others than with one's own; unselfish; altruistic

ANSWERS: 150. diligent, 151. startling, 152. undercover, 153. optimist, 154. escalate, 155. drastic, 156. commonplace, 157. censor, 158. opine, 159. selfless

160. d__y authority v. to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
161. reh____ate wildlife v. to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
162. co____e fantasy with reality v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
163. sen____al damage *adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism
164. mis____ion about a vaccine *n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately

ANSWERS: 160. defy, 161. rehabilitate, 162. confuse, 163. sentimental, 164. misinformation

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I learned a lot from the _____ on digital marketing.
n. a seminar or presentation that is conducted virtually over the internet, usually with an interactive component that allows for audience participation
2. He never received a _____ even from the company of a close friend.
n. an American or Canadian coin worth one-tenth of a dollar
3. The news of her sudden death was _____ to everyone who knew her.
adj. surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
4. The hunter's approach _____ the geese.
v. to cause to separate and go in different directions
5. The government has laws in place to protect _____ from retaliation.
n. a person who reveals or reports illegal, unethical, or immoral activities, primarily in the workplace or government, that are not publicly known but harm the public interest or other people
6. The teacher _____ the student for cheating on the test.
v. to express severe disapproval of someone, typically in a formal statement or action; (noun) a rebuke or scolding given to someone, especially by an authority figure, for a mistake or misbehavior
7. He looked for an opportunity to _____ that actor in public.
v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
8. Forgetting someone's name is a _____ occurrence.
adj. occurring very often; lacking originality or interest

ANSWERS: 1. webinar, 2. dime, 3. astonishing, 4. scattered, 5. whistleblowers, 6. reprimanded, 7. embarrass, 8. commonplace

9. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
- n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
10. The government called for caution against pseudoscientific _____ about vaccines.
- n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately
11. The study showed that one-third of infected individuals could remain _____ throughout the disease.
- adj.* not experiencing or exhibiting any symptoms of a particular disease or condition, even though the individual may be infected or affected by it
12. The _____ detective investigated all clues.
- adj.* showing or characterized by care and effort in your work or duties
13. The museum _____ conserved the ancient manuscripts.
- n.* a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.
14. The mental health _____ often prevents people from seeking treatment.
- n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
15. During the hurricane, we felt _____ against the winds and rain.
- adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
16. The series of terrorist attacks _____ the entire nation.
- v.* to shock or disgust greatly

ANSWERS: 9. Empathy, 10. misinformation, 11. asymptomatic, 12. diligent, 13. curator, 14. stigma, 15. powerless, 16. horrify

17. Her constant chatter was starting to _____ the neighbors.

v. to make someone angry, anxious, or irritating slightly

18. Unilateral import bans have _____ that country's terms of trade.

v. to become or make something worse

19. The news of the unexpected announcement _____ the stock market.

v. to move or cause to move with a sudden jerky motion; to disturb someone's composure); (noun) a sudden, sharp movement or shock

20. Too much variety may _____ and confuse viewers.

v. to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

21. Sugar is _____ in food.

adj. being or existing everywhere at once

22. Stop being _____ and always speak the truth.

adj. connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism

23. The team's _____ attitude towards deadlines caused the project to fall behind schedule.

adj. lacking in tension or firmness; loose or not tight; having a relaxed or lazy attitude

24. The _____ suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.

n. a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

ANSWERS: 17. annoy, 18. worsened, 19. jolted, 20. overwhelm, 21. ubiquitous, 22. sentimental, 23. slack, 24. trump

25. 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
26. We often ignore important _____ from nature.
- n.* a warning against certain acts; (law) a formal notice filed with a court or officer to suspend a proceeding until the filer is given a hearing
27. China has developed one of the world's fastest _____ for its space program.
- n.* a computer with a high level of computing power and speed, typically used for scientific or engineering computations that require immense amounts of data processing
28. The _____ police officer was able to gather crucial evidence without being detected.
- adj.* carried out or conducted in secret, with one's true identity or purpose concealed; disguised, incognito
29. The magician's tricks _____ the audience.
- v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
30. The _____ pay increase was a nice surprise for the employees.
- adj.* taking effect from a date in the past rather than the present; applying to a prior period or event
31. She struggled to grab the sushi with _____.
- n.* a pair of thin, tapered sticks used in East Asian cultures to pick up and eat food
32. The new policy had a _____ impact on small businesses.
- adj.* causing harm or damage

ANSWERS: 25. redefined, 26. caveats, 27. supercomputers, 28. undercover, 29. amazed, 30. retroactive, 31. chopsticks, 32. detrimental

33. His peers _____ him for his controversial beliefs.

- v.* to exclude someone from a group or society by general consent; to avoid speaking to or dealing with intentionally

34. She is a confident _____ who always looks on the bright side.

- n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future

35. Rebels have pledged to _____ the armed struggle against the dictatorship.

- v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength

36. He made a _____ recovery.

- adj.* very effective or lucky, or completely unexpected

37. Our brand's campaign uses a unique _____ to track engagement and reach.

- n.* a word or phrase preceded by the symbol #, used on social media websites and applications to identify messages on a specific topic

38. She was hospitalized with a severe case of _____.

- n.* an infection or inflammation of the lungs, typically caused by bacteria, viruses, or other microorganisms

39. The fog _____ and the air cleared up.

- v.* to disperse or scatter widely

40. The _____ of the earthquake was located deep beneath the earth's surface.

- n.* the point on the earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake

41. He describes the story with _____ reality.

- adj.* extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying

ANSWERS: 33. ostracized, 34. optimist, 35. intensify, 36. miraculous, 37. hashtag, 38. pneumonia, 39. dissipated, 40. epicenter, 41. startling

42. The comedian's ____ had the audience laughing out loud.
n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
43. They fear a _____ of a new type of virus.
n. an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
44. It's important to _____ the room to avoid the buildup of harmful gases.
v. to supply fresh air to a room, building, etc.; to remove stale air from it
45. He needed to _____ with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.
v. to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
46. We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem _____.
adv. after the time mentioned
47. Her fear of dogs was _____ after a traumatic experience in childhood.
adj. deeply rooted in someone's mind or behavior; difficult to change due to being established for a long time
48. He had _____ the dance in this play himself.
v. to compose a sequence of dance steps, often to music
49. Considering the situation of _____ organized stopped this year's beer festival.
n. a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2

ANSWERS: 42. pun, 43. pandemic, 44. ventilate, 45. grapple, 46. afterward, 47. ingrained, 48. choreographed, 49. coronavirus,

50. There was a baseless _____ that the company was going bankrupt.
n. a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
51. I _____ that investing in renewable energy sources is the key to a sustainable future.
v. to express or state an opinion about something; to hold or assert a belief or view about something
52. Due to the outbreak, the government imposed a two-week _____ for all travelers.
n. a state of isolation imposed on people or animals to prevent the spread of disease
53. The police officer _____ removed the protesters from the public park.
adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will
54. The _____ between the two political parties has only grown stronger over the years.
n. strong hostility or hatred towards someone or something, often resulting in conflict or ill-will
55. Her remarks _____ the debate.
v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
56. I always _____ my hands before eating to prevent germs from spreading.
v. to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication
57. Her _____ dedication to the community earned her a prestigious award.
adj. concerned more with the needs and desires of others than with one's own; unselfish; altruistic

ANSWERS: 50. rumor, 51. opine, 52. quarantine, 53. forcibly, 54. animosity, 55. confused, 56. sanitize, 57. selfless

58. The doctor immediately prescribed _____ drugs.

adj. inhibiting or stopping the growth and reproduction of viruses; (noun) any drug that destroys viruses

59. The _____ rally attracted thousands of supporters.

adj. relating to or supporting a political ideology that emphasizes a strong sense of national identity and devotion to one's own country

60. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the _____ release.

n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

61. The employee tried to _____ the report to avoid getting into trouble.

v. to assign a date to a document or event that is earlier than the actual date; to make something appear as if it happened earlier than it did

62. In the aftermath of the hurricane, the military set up a _____ center to assist with medical emergencies.

n. the process of sorting or categorizing patients or other items by severity or priority to determine the order in which they should be treated or handled

63. The global community is undergoing _____ changes at present.

adj. radical and extreme; likely to have a significant or far-reaching impact

64. The organization works to _____ drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.

v. to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

65. It is important to _____ surfaces regularly to prevent the spread of germs.

v. to clean something using chemicals or other materials that kill germs or bacteria, making it safe and free from harmful microorganisms

ANSWERS: 58. antiviral, 59. nationalist, 60. app's, 61. backdate, 62. triage, 63. drastic, 64. rehabilitate, 65. disinfect

66. Children often _____ parents with this head cold.
v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
67. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
68. 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
69. The country's prime minister has decided to implement a nationwide _____ measure.
n. an emergency policy for people, communities, or a country to stay where they are, usually due to specific risks, such as COVID-19
70. She took a _____ on the stairs and tumbled down to the bottom.
n. a mistake or error in judgment or action, often resulting in an awkward or embarrassing situation; a misjudged or poorly executed step or movement
71. She tried to _____ her parents by moving to the city against their wishes.
v. to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
72. She was _____ by the strange behavior of her cat.
adj. confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
73. Changing _____ about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.
n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

ANSWERS: 66. infect, 67. industrious, 68. converge, 69. lockdown, 70. misstep, 71. defy, 72. puzzled, 73. stereotypes

74. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.
- v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
75. The situation quickly _____ and turned violent.
- v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
76. GDP per _____ shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.
- n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
77. The newspaper editor decided to _____ the controversial headline to avoid backlash.
- n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information
78. The firefighter showed true _____ when he rescued the family from the burning building.
- n.* great courage or bravery, especially in the face of danger or adversity; the act of sacrificing oneself for a noble cause
79. The employee decided to _____ on the company's illegal activities.
- v.* to make a high-pitched sound by forcing breath through a small opening, usually with the lips or fingers; (noun) a piece of equipment that forces air or steam against an edge or into a cavity and so produces a loud shrill sound
80. The newspaper _____ displayed the name of the publication along with the current date and weather.
- n.* the topmost part of a ship's mast; a list of the staff of a newspaper or magazine, usually printed at the beginning of the publication

ANSWERS: 74. confer, 75. escalated, 76. capita, 77. censor, 78. heroism, 79. whistle-blow, 80. masthead

81. We are responsible for the care and _____ of all our employees.

n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

82. The old building _____ in a fiery inferno.

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

ANSWERS: 81. well-being, 82. exploded