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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### appendix

*n.* a small, tube-shaped organ attached to the large intestine in humans and some animals, which is believed to play a role in the immune system and digestion; supplementary material that is collected and appended at the back of a book

*synonym*: addendum, adjunct, supplement

(1) **appendix** cancer, (2) book **appendix**

The doctor reviewed the patient's medical records to see if they had previously had their **appendix** removed.

### emergency

*n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

*synonym*: crisis, trouble, difficulty

(1) **emergency** action, (2) acute **emergency**

The president declared a state of **emergency**.

### panic

*n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action

*synonym*: confusion, hysteria, consternation

(1) a **panic** reaction, (2) **panic** buying

The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused **panic** in the financial markets.

## relax

*v.* to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer

*synonym*: soften, comfort, soothe

(1) **relax** a series of muscles, (2) **relax** at home

The rules were **relaxed** after the new executive arrived.

## annoying

*adj.* making someone feel slightly angry

*synonym*: aggravating, bothersome, irksome

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

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

## suddenly

*adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

*synonym*: abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

## scare

*v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

*synonym*: frighten, spook, intimidate

(1) **scare** off her attacker by screaming, (2) **scare** the birds away

We hit the ground to **scare** out the rabbits.

## missile

*n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism

*synonym*: projectile, rocket, bomb

(1) **missile** defense, (2) cruise **missile** attack

The military launched a ballistic **missile** at the enemy's stronghold.

## president

*n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

*synonym*: leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

## 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.

## tweet

*n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

*synonym*: peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

(1) a chick's **tweet**, (2) his latest **tweets**

We could hear the **tweet** of baby birds.

## fury

*n.* intense and often violent anger

*synonym*: rage, wrath, ire

(1) market **fury**, (2) **fury** of the storm

The crowd's **fury** was palpable as they shouted and protested against the government's decision.

## 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.

## nuclear

*adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

*synonym*: atomic

(1) **nuclear** fusion, (2) use of **nuclear** power

Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of **nuclear** weapons.

## fundamental

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

*synonym*: basic, essential, entire

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

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

## reassure

v. to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence

*synonym*: comfort, soothe, bolster

(1) **reassure** anxious patients, (2) **reassure** market

The pilot tried to **reassure** the customers that the planes were safe.

## irony

n. the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect

*synonym*: sarcasm, cynicism, wit

(1) bitter **irony**, (2) **irony** humor

The **irony** of the situation is that he won the lottery on the day he lost his job.

## dawn

n. the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

*synonym*: daybreak, sunrise, advent

(1) the wan light of **dawn**, (2) crack of **dawn**

Missile assaults on the capital continued around **dawn**.

## mushroom

n. a type of fungus that grows on dead or decaying organic matter and typically has a stalk and an umbrella-shaped cap

*synonym*: fungus, toadstool

(1) **mushroom** spores, (2) **mushroom** cultivation

The **mushroom** risotto was delicious, but I couldn't identify all the mushrooms in it.

## statistics

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

## abate

*v.* to lessen, reduce, or diminish in intensity or severity; to decline or wane in amount or strength over time

*synonym*: decrease, diminish, reduce

(1) **abate** a storm, (2) **abate** a crisis

He tried to **abate** his anger by taking deep breaths and counting to ten.

## dismantle

*v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment

*synonym*: take apart, demolish, take down

(1) **dismantle** a machine, (2) **dismantle** a system

The old building had to be **dismantled** because it was structurally unsound.

## relic

*n.* an object from a previous era, especially one of historical value

*synonym*: whiff, vestige, antique

(1) historical **relic**, (2) holy **relics**

This bronze sword is a **relic** of ancient times.

## specter

*n.* a ghostly or haunting image or apparition; a threatening or ominous presence that causes fear or anxiety

*synonym*: ghost, phantom, apparition

(1) **specter** of death, (2) political **specter**

The **specter** of unemployment loomed over the young graduates as they exited the university.

## overwhelming

*adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

*synonym*: overpowering, astounding, amazing

(1) **overwhelming** majority, (2) an **overwhelming** victory

He has shown signs of uneasiness and **overwhelming** worry.

## cheer

*v.* to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval

*synonym*: comfort, encourage, hearten

(1) **cheer** for the home team, (2) **cheer** me up  
Supporters in the stands **cheered** at every goal.

## uplift

*n.* the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits

*synonym*: upthrust, upheaval, (verb) raise

(1) **uplift** mountains, (2) **uplift** my spirit

The **uplift** in the stock market has been a relief to investors.

## 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.

## prefer

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

*synonym*: choose, like, favor

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

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

## semblance

*n.* the outward appearance or visible form of something, especially when it is different from the reality beneath; a vague or superficial similarity

*synonym*: appearance, facade, imitation

(1) **semblance** of truth, (2) lose **semblance** of identity

There was no **semblance** of order at the chaotic protest.

## assume

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

*synonym*: guess, presume, suppose

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

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

## topic

*n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about  
*synonym*: subject, theme, issue

(1) a serious **topic**, (2) the **topic** of the book

The **topic** of the discussion was the current state of the economy.

## convoluted

*adj.* extraordinarily complicated and hard to understand  
*synonym*: intricate, complex, bending

(1) **convoluted** plot, (2) **convoluted** legal language

James Joyce's books are full of long, **convoluted** sentences.

## jargon

*n.* specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify

*synonym*: lingo, vernacular, slang

(1) business **jargon**, (2) scientific **jargon**

The financial industry is notorious for using complicated **jargon** that confuses consumers.

## terminology

*n.* the special words or phrases that are used within a particular field or subject; the language or jargon of a particular group or profession

*synonym*: jargon, lexicon, vocabulary

(1) industry **terminology**, (2) medical **terminology**

The instructor will provide a glossary of commonly used **terminology** at the beginning of the course.

## inaccessible

*adj.* unable to travel to or reach; not available

*synonym*: inapproachable, unreachable, remote

(1) **inaccessible** to an unauthorized user, (2) **inaccessible** areas

Heavy snow made it **inaccessible** to go to the mountain village.

## numb

*adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

*synonym* : dazed, insensitive, emotionless

(1) **numb** with cold, (2) a **numb** mind

My left arm became **numb**.

## dramatic

*adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement

*synonym* : striking, theatrical, breathtaking

(1) make **dramatic** changes, (2) a **dramatic** rescue at sea

The statement had a **dramatic** impact on house prices.

## reduction

*n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree

*synonym* : diminution, decrease, cutback

(1) **reduction** strategy, (2) a gradual **reduction**

The **reduction** in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.

## cede

*v.* to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority

*synonym* : surrender, relinquish, yield

(1) **cede** power, (2) **cede** custody of the kids

The landowner agreed to **cede** part of his property to the government for the public good.

## decision

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

*synonym* : choice, determination, judgment

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

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

## strike

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

*synonym* : hit, impact, influence

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



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

## algorithm

*n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

*synonym*: logic, method, rule

(1) the RSA **algorithm**, (2) **algorithm** for image processing

We can evaluate the performance of an **algorithm** in terms of computation time.

## terrifying

*adj.* very frightening or intimidating

*synonym*: frightening, intimidating, alarming

(1) **terrifying** experience, (2) **terrifying** events

Large earthquakes often generate **terrifying** tsunamis.

## cyberattack

*n.* an attempt to damage, disrupt, or gain unauthorized access to a computer system or network

*synonym*: cyber intrusion, hack, cyberterrorism

(1) **cyberattack** prevention, (2) **cyberattack** defense system

The hackers launched a devastating **cyberattack**, stealing sensitive information from the company's servers.

## miscalculation

*n.* a mistake in making a calculation or judgment that produces an incorrect result

*synonym*: error, mistake, oversight

(1) **miscalculation** of expenses, (2) **miscalculation** of time

His **miscalculation** in the stock market cost him a significant amount of money.

## misunderstand

*v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

*synonym*: misinterpret, misperceive, misapprehend

(1) **misunderstand** each other, (2) **misunderstand** entirely about her

You should not **misunderstand** the meaning of freedom.

## nightmare

*n.* a very frightening or unpleasant dream

*synonym* : agony, misery, suffering

(1) have a **nightmare**, (2) **nightmare** situation

Life as a waiter was a big **nightmare** for him.

## rely

*v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

*synonym* : depend, count, lean

(1) **rely** on convenience stores, (2) **rely** entirely on him

Babies heavily **rely** on others for food.

## quo

*n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue

*synonym* : status, condition, state

(1) status **quo** politician, (2) **quo** warranto

The company has been successful in maintaining the status **quo**.

## elect

*v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

*synonym* : select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death

Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

## tolerate

*v.* to allow something to exist or happen, even if it is disliked or opposed

*synonym* : endure, put up with, bear

(1) **tolerate** his disrespectful behavior, (2) **tolerate**

ambiguity

I can't **tolerate** spicy food, and it always gives me heartburn

## policy

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

*synonym* : strategy, plan, guideline

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

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

## deter

v. to discourage or prevent someone from doing something

*synonym* : prevent, discourage, forestall

(1) **deter** aggression, (2) **deter** crime

The high fence was meant to **deter** intruders from entering the property.

## nuke

v. (derived from "nuclear") to attack or destroy a place or target with a nuclear weapon; to cook food in a microwave oven; (noun) a nuclear weapon, such as a nuclear bomb or missile

*synonym* : blast, bomb, attack

(1) **nuke** a city, (2) **nuke** missile

The government threatened to **nuke** the enemy territory if they didn't surrender.

## stalemate

n. a situation in which neither side of a conflict or dispute can make progress or gain an advantage, typically resulting in a deadlock or impasse

*synonym* : deadlock, impasse, standstill

(1) political **stalemate**, (2) **stalemate** situation

The negotiations between the two companies reached a **stalemate**, and neither side would compromise.

## doe

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

*synonym* : rabbit, bunny, hare

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

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

## uncomfortable

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

*synonym* : comfortless, discomforting, painful

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

His abusive words made me **uncomfortable**.

## gamble

v. to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes

*synonym*: bet, venture, wager

(1) **gamble** \$100 on the race, (2) **gamble** away my fortune

Will you **gamble** on the result of the fight?

## survival

n. the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger

*synonym*: endurance, continuity

(1) **survival** ability, (2) **survival** food

He evaluated his chances for **survival** rather pessimistically.

## threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

*synonym*: endanger, terrorize, intimidate

(1) **threaten** a healthy relationship, (2) **threaten** national security

Various artificially induced causes are **threatening** our ecosystem.

## evaporation

n. the process of a liquid changing into a gas or vapor, often as a result of high temperatures or reduced pressure; the gradual disappearance or dissipation of something, such as money or resources

*synonym*: vaporization, dehydration, desiccation

(1) **evaporation** cooling, (2) slow **evaporation**

The formation of clouds is facilitated by the process of **evaporation** and condensation

## ingenuity

n. the quality of inventing things or solving problems in clever new ways

*synonym*: creativity, invention, originality

(1) the infinite **ingenuity** of man, (2) abound in **ingenuity**

Creativity and **ingenuity** are often brought about by extreme concentration.

## complexity

*n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

*synonym*: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory

The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

## human-made

*adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial

*synonym*: artificial, unnatural, manufactured

(1) **human-made** climate change, (2) the worst **human-made** disaster

The bridge is a **human-made** structure and was built to span the river.

## involve

*v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

*synonym*: implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

## democracy

*n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

*synonym*: self-government, republic, commonwealth

(1) **democracy** advocate, (2) principles of **democracy**

**Democracy** often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

## decide

*v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

*synonym*: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

## launch

*v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

*synonym* : start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

## consult

*v.* to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject

*synonym* : confer, consider, see

(1) regularly **consult** with a doctor, (2) **consult** my wallet

Always **consult** a lawyer before launching a business.

## scenario

*n.* a description of possible actions or events in the future; a written outline of a play, film, or literary work

*synonym* : plan, scheme, procedure

(1) the worst case **scenario**, (2) number of different

**scenarios**

The president prepared several possible **scenarios** for an enemy attack.

## communal

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

*synonym* : collaborative, combined, collective

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

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

## annihilate

*v.* to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist

*synonym* : destroy, obliterate, eradicate

(1) **annihilate** the enemy, (2) **annihilate** all doubts

The virus had the potential to **annihilate** entire populations if left unchecked.

## movement

*n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

*synonym*: motion, progression, action

(1) a circular **movement**, (2) **movement** of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

## underway

*adj.* having started and currently in progress

*synonym*: afoot, ongoing, in motion

(1) just getting **underway**, (2) campaign now **underway**

This project has been **underway** for several years.

## behalf

*n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone

*synonym*: benefit, advantage, favor

(1) on **behalf** of our management, (2) on his own **behalf**

I gave witness on her **behalf**.

## Congress

*n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

*synonym*: legislature, parliament, assembly

(1) an international **Congress**, (2) peace **Congress**

**Congress** must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

## oversight

*n.* the act of supervising or watching over something; a mistake caused by not paying enough attention to something

*synonym*: supervision, monitoring, failure

(1) environmental **oversight**, (2) **oversight** committee

Due to careless **oversight**, the product was not inspected before it was shipped to the customers.

## interrogate

v. to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner

*synonym*: question, examine, probe

(1) **interrogate** an enemy soldier, (2) **interrogated** by police

The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately **interrogate** the witness.

## 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.

## unfortunately

*adv.* by bad luck; unluckily

*synonym*: regrettably, unluckily, alas

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

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

## decline

v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

*synonym*: descend, drop, deny

(1) **decline** a job offer, (2) **decline** in quality

As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually **declines**.

## capitol

n. a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress

*synonym*: government building, legislative center

(1) the nation's **capitol**, (2) **Capitol** Hill hearing



The **capitol** building was a stunning example of classical architecture, with its marble columns and grand dome.

## terrific

*adj.* causing terror or fear; extremely great or intense; very good or excellent

*synonym* : fantastic, great, excellent

(1) absolutely **terrific**, (2) at a **terrific** speed

The view from the top of the mountain was **terrific**, with sweeping vistas of the valley below.

## champion

*n.* someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief

*synonym* : victor, winner, fighter

(1) a **champion** of peace, (2) the grand **champion**

The **champion** bicyclist outrode all his competitors.

## emerge

*v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible

*synonym* : arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty

During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

## awareness

*n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important

*synonym* : understanding, cognition, knowledge

(1) **awareness** of my ignorance, (2) raise public **awareness**

There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental **awareness**.

## critic

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

*synonym* : pundit, analyst, attacker

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

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

**grip** *n.* the act of holding onto something firmly with your hands, or the ability to do so; (verb) to hold fast or firmly  
*synonym* : grasp, clasp, (verb) hold  
(1) **grip** of fear, (2) lose my **grip**  
He had a firm **grip** on the rope as he climbed the mountain.

**aisle** *n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure  
*synonym* : corridor, passageway, gangway  
(1) **aisle** seat, (2) the center **aisle** of a church  
She walked down the **aisle** to the front of the church.

**cooperative** *adj.* involving doing something jointly or working with others to achieve a common goal  
*synonym* : harmonious, collegial, helpful  
(1) **cooperative** savings, (2) fishing **cooperative**  
We appreciate your **cooperative** efforts.

**recognize** *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered  
*synonym* : acknowledge, identify, admit  
(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement  
It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

**succumb** *v.* to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury  
*synonym* : surrender, break down, die  
(1) **succumb** to cancer, (2) **succumb** to old age  
He finally **succumbed** to temptation.

**threat** *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation  
*synonym* :

menace, danger, hazard

(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**

The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

## eliminate

*v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something

*synonym*: wipe out, destroy, eradicate

(1) **eliminate** contestants, (2) **eliminate** sexual barriers

We can **eliminate** this possibility from those consumptions.

## vulnerable

*adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

*synonym*: susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body

Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

## union

*n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

*synonym*: alliance, coalition, confederation

(1) bank and credit **unions**, (2) a craft **union**

The trade **union** remained adamant about its demands.

## bipartisanship

*n.* agreement or collaboration between two political parties whose policies are normally opposed to one other's

(1) spirit of **bipartisanship**, (2) **bipartisanship** legislation

The prime minister's sister has called for **bipartisanship** to pass the legislation on same-sex marriage.

## mutual

*adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties

*synonym*: shared, common, joint

(1) share of a **mutual** fund, (2) **mutual** efforts

They cooperated for their **mutual** benefit.

## constituent

*n.* one of the parts of the whole; a person represented by an elected official

*synonym*: member, element, part

(1) **constituent** assembly, (2) the solid **constituent** of blood cells

Each **constituent** member of the council has the right to vote on important decisions.

## refer

*v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

*synonym*: cite, allude, mention

(1) **refer** to a book, (2) **refer** to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

## align

*v.* to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line

*synonym*: coordinate, regulate, adjust

(1) **align** the economic interest of each other, (2) **align** with a historical trend

Both parties are now entirely ideologically **aligned**.

## nation

*n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

*synonym*: country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

## treasure

*n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected

*synonym*: hoard, fortune, gem

(1) **treasure** hunt, (2) **treasure** island

The pirates searched for buried **treasure** in the dunes.

## priority

*n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

*synonym* : importance, precedence, primacy

(1) **priority** call, (2) **priority** seating for elderly

Her **priority** is to be a mother.

## cybersecurity

*n.* the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction

*synonym* : information security, cyber protection

(1) **cybersecurity** threat, (2) **cybersecurity** measures

As the use of technology continues to increase in everyday life, **cybersecurity** awareness and education become even more important

## climate

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

*synonym* : atmosphere, weather, environment

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

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

## nuanced

*adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.

*synonym* : fine, subtle, slight

(1) **nuanced** view, (2) the common but **nuanced** opinion

The sommelier can distinguish **nuanced** variance in the flavor of the wine.

## 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.

## environment

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

*synonym*: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

## congressional

*adj.* of or relating to Congress, especially to the Congress of the United States

*synonym*: parliamentary, senatorial, legislative

(1) **congressional** approval, (2) suspend a **congressional** meeting

There was a **congressional** probe into the scandal.

## civic

*adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it

*synonym*: community, civic, communal

(1) **civic** activity, (2) **civic** center

The city promotes **civic** collaboration in community development

## 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.

## hallmark

*n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing

*synonym*: symbol, authentication, indication

(1) the **hallmark** of a good scientist, (2) the **hallmark** of modern life

A clear and simple expression is the **hallmark** of good

writing.

## liability

*n.* a legal or financial responsibility or obligation

*synonym*: debt, obligation, responsibility

(1) **liability** insurance, (2) **liability** for military service

The company is facing a potential **liability** of millions of dollars due to the lawsuit.

## urge

*v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

*synonym*: push for, advise, (noun) impulse

(1) **urge** a total ban, (2) a sexual **urge**

The lobbyist **urged** Congress not to approve the measure.

## ideological

*adj.* relating to or concerned with ideas and theories rather than practical matters

*synonym*: theoretical, abstract, philosophical

(1) **ideological** divide, (2) **ideological** differences

The book presents an **ideological** perspective on the role of government in society.

## gutsy

*adj.* displaying courage, determination, or boldness; characterized by a willingness to take risks or face challenges

*synonym*: courageous, brave, daring

(1) **gutsy** move, (2) **gutsy** performance

It was **gutsy** to quit her job and start her own business.

## representative

*n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

*synonym*: spokesperson, agent, delegate

(1) an official **representative**, (2) sales **representative**

The media **representatives** had special passes.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. ap\_\_\_\_\_ix cancer  
*n.* a small, tube-shaped organ attached to the large intestine in humans and some animals, which is believed to play a role in the immune system and digestion; supplementary material that is collected and appended at the back of a book
2. an international co\_\_\_\_\_ss  
*n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
3. historical re\_\_c  
*n.* an object from a previous era, especially one of historical value
4. con\_\_\_\_\_ed plot  
*adj.* extraordinarily complicated and hard to understand
5. con\_\_\_\_\_nal approval  
*adj.* of or relating to Congress, especially to the Congress of the United States
6. cyb\_\_\_\_\_ck defense system  
*n.* an attempt to damage, disrupt, or gain unauthorized access to a computer system or network
7. chemical ad\_\_\_\_\_on  
*n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
8. scientific ja\_\_\_\_n  
*n.* specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify

ANSWERS: 1. appendix, 2. congress, 3. relic, 4. convoluted, 5. congressional, 6. cyberattack, 7. addition, 8. jargon



9. de\_\_\_e a question      *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
10. cognitive com\_\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
11. a dr\_\_\_\_\_ic rescue at sea      *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
12. mis\_\_\_\_\_ion of time      *n.* a mistake in making a calculation or judgment that produces an incorrect result
13. cruise mi\_\_\_\_\_e attack      *n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism
14. se\_\_\_\_\_ce of truth      *n.* the outward appearance or visible form of something, especially when it is different from the reality beneath; a vague or superficial similarity
15. principles of de\_\_\_\_\_cy      *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
16. use of nu\_\_\_\_\_r power      *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
17. n\_\_e a city      *v.* (derived from "nuclear") to attack or destroy a place or target with a nuclear weapon; to cook food in a microwave oven; (noun) a nuclear weapon, such as a nuclear bomb or missile

ANSWERS: 9. decide, 10. complexity, 11. dramatic, 12. miscalculation, 13. missile, 14. semblance, 15. democracy, 16. nuclear, 17. nuke

18. up\_\_\_t my spirit      *n.* the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits
19. a n\_\_b mind      *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
20. choose tr\_\_p      *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
21. severe cr\_\_\_c      *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
22. holy re\_\_cs      *n.* an object from a previous era, especially one of historical value
23. a serious to\_\_c      *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
24. th\_\_\_\_\_en a healthy relationship      *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
25. n\_\_b with cold      *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
26. gu\_\_y move      *adj.* displaying courage, determination, or boldness; characterized by a willingness to take risks or face challenges
27. health po\_\_\_y      *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 18. uplift, 19. numb, 20. trump, 21. critic, 22. relic, 23. topic, 24. threaten, 25. numb, 26. gutsy, 27. policy

28. 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
29. raise public aw\_\_\_\_\_ss *n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
30. an\_\_\_\_\_ng banner ad *adj.* making someone feel slightly angry
31. re\_\_x at home *v.* to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer
32. the ha\_\_\_\_\_rk of modern life *n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing
33. c\_\_e custody of the kids *v.* to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority
34. environmental ov\_\_\_\_\_ht *n.* the act of supervising or watching over something; a mistake caused by not paying enough attention to something
35. the infinite in\_\_\_\_\_ty of man *n.* the quality of inventing things or solving problems in clever new ways
36. environmental th\_\_\_\_t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
37. re\_\_\_\_\_ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

ANSWERS: 28. debate, 29. awareness, 30. annoying, 31. relax, 32. hallmark, 33. cede, 34. oversight, 35. ingenuity, 36. threat, 37. recognize

38. pr\_\_\_r physics to chemistry      *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
39. la\_\_\_h a big attack      *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
40. a gradual re\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
41. mo\_\_\_\_\_nt of troops      *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
42. the wan light of d\_\_\_n      *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
43. hum\_\_\_\_\_de climate change      *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
44. ga\_\_\_e \$100 on the race      *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
45. the nation's ca\_\_\_\_\_l      *n.* a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress
46. pr\_\_\_\_\_ty call      *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
47. his latest tw\_\_ts      *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
48. al\_\_n the economic interest of each other      *v.* to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line

ANSWERS: 38. prefer, 39. launch, 40. reduction, 41. movement, 42. dawn, 43. human-made, 44. gamble, 45. capitol, 46. priority, 47. tweet, 48. align



59. industry ter\_\_\_\_\_gy *n.* the special words or phrases that are used within a particular field or subject; the language or jargon of a particular group or profession
60. official sta\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
61. el\_\_\_\_\_te contestants *v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something
62. re\_\_r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
63. g\_\_p of fear *n.* the act of holding onto something firmly with your hands, or the ability to do so; (verb) to hold fast or firmly
64. slow eva\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the process of a liquid changing into a gas or vapor, often as a result of high temperatures or reduced pressure; the gradual disappearance or dissipation of something, such as money or resources
65. co\_\_\_\_\_t my wallet *v.* to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject
66. an unc\_\_\_\_\_ble silence *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
67. on his own be\_\_\_\_f *n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone

ANSWERS: 59. terminology, 60. statistics, 61. eliminate, 62. refer, 63. grip, 64. evaporation, 65. consult, 66. uncomfortable, 67. behalf

68. die su\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
69. bank and credit un\_\_ns *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
70. na\_\_\_\_n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
71. al\_\_\_\_\_hm for image processing *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
72. la\_\_\_\_h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
73. st\_\_\_\_e up a conversation *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
74. political st\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* a situation in which neither side of a conflict or dispute can make progress or gain an advantage, typically resulting in a deadlock or impasse
75. vul\_\_\_\_\_le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
76. an ove\_\_\_\_\_ing victory *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
77. fun\_\_\_\_\_al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

ANSWERS: 68. suddenly, 69. union, 70. nation, 71. algorithm, 72. launch, 73. strike, 74. stalemate, 75. vulnerable, 76. overwhelming, 77. fundamental

78. n\_\_e missile *v.* (derived from "nuclear") to attack or destroy a place or target with a nuclear weapon; to cook food in a microwave oven; (noun) a nuclear weapon, such as a nuclear bomb or missile
79. par\_\_\_\_\_te in the program *v.* to take part in something
80. cyb\_\_\_\_\_ity measures *n.* the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction
81. sp\_\_\_\_\_r of death *n.* a ghostly or haunting image or apparition; a threatening or ominous presence that causes fear or anxiety
82. de\_\_\_\_\_on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
83. in\_\_\_\_\_e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
84. a craft un\_\_n *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
85. a vul\_\_\_\_\_le bridge *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
86. have a ni\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* a very frightening or unpleasant dream

ANSWERS: 78. nuke, 79. participate, 80. cybersecurity, 81. specter, 82. decision, 83. involve, 84. union, 85. vulnerable, 86. nightmare



87. ch\_\_r for the home team      *v.* to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval
88. el\_\_\_\_\_te sexual barriers      *v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something
89. market f\_\_y      *n.* intense and often violent anger
90. just getting un\_\_\_\_\_ay      *adj.* having started and currently in progress
91. li\_\_\_\_\_ty insurance      *n.* a legal or financial responsibility or obligation
92. cyb\_\_\_\_\_ity threat      *n.* the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction
93. the worst case sc\_\_\_\_\_io      *n.* a description of possible actions or events in the future; a written outline of a play, film, or literary work
94. economic th\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
95. Ca\_\_\_\_\_l Hill hearing      *n.* a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress
96. political sp\_\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a ghostly or haunting image or apparition; a threatening or ominous presence that causes fear or anxiety
97. to es\_\_\_\_\_te      *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

ANSWERS: 87. cheer, 88. eliminate, 89. fury, 90. underway, 91. liability, 92. cybersecurity, 93. scenario, 94. threat, 95. capitol, 96. specter, 97. escalate

98. number of different sc\_\_\_\_\_ios      *n.* a description of possible actions or events in the future; a written outline of a play, film, or literary work
99. the ha\_\_\_\_\_rk of a good scientist      *n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing
100. em\_\_\_\_\_e from poverty      *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
101. campaign now un\_\_\_\_\_ay      *adj.* having started and currently in progress
102. even more unf\_\_\_\_\_ely      *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
103. to\_\_\_\_\_te ambiguity      *v.* to allow something to exist or happen, even if it is disliked or opposed
104. bip\_\_\_\_\_hip legislation      *n.* agreement or collaboration between two political parties whose policies are normally opposed to one other's
105. u\_\_e a total ban      *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
106. unf\_\_\_\_\_ely caught in a shower      *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
107. a circular mo\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
108. as\_\_\_\_\_e a lousy attitude to his boss      *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 98. scenario, 99. hallmark, 100. emerge, 101. underway, 102. unfortunately, 103. tolerate, 104. bipartisanship, 105. urge, 106. unfortunately, 107. movement, 108. assume

109. in\_\_\_\_\_e a high degree of risk      *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
110. al\_\_n with a historical trend      *v.* to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line
111. spirit of bip\_\_\_\_\_hip      *n.* agreement or collaboration between two political parties whose policies are normally opposed to one other's
112. the to\_\_c of the book      *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
113. with an unc\_\_\_\_\_ble face      *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
114. at a te\_\_\_\_\_ic speed      *adj.* causing terror or fear; extremely great or intense; very good or excellent
115. env\_\_\_\_\_nt affairs      *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
116. pr\_\_\_r a window seat      *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
117. fun\_\_\_\_\_al education      *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
118. to\_\_\_\_\_te his disrespectful behavior      *v.* to allow something to exist or happen, even if it is disliked or opposed
119. buck and d\_e      *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
120. on be\_\_\_f of our management      *n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone

ANSWERS: 109. involve, 110. align, 111. bipartisanship, 112. topic, 113. uncomfortable, 114. terrific, 115. environment, 116. prefer, 117. fundamental, 118. tolerate, 119. doe, 120. behalf

121. com\_\_\_\_\_ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
122. absolutely te\_\_\_\_\_ic *adj.* causing terror or fear; extremely great or intense; very good or excellent
123. a pa\_\_c reaction *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
124. bitter ir\_\_y *n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
125. an official rep\_\_\_\_\_ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
126. de\_\_\_\_\_cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
127. r\_\_y entirely on him *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
128. aw\_\_\_\_\_ss of my ignorance *n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
129. ina\_\_\_\_\_ble to an unauthorized user *adj.* unable to travel to or reach; not available
130. re\_\_\_\_\_re anxious patients *v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
131. vice-pr\_\_\_\_\_nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 121. complexity, 122. terrific, 123. panic, 124. irony, 125. representative, 126. democracy, 127. rely, 128. awareness, 129. inaccessible, 130. reassure, 131. president

132. ci\_\_c activity *adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
133. el\_\_t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
134. foreign po\_\_\_y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
135. tr\_\_\_\_re hunt *n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
136. re\_\_\_\_\_ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
137. re\_\_\_\_re market *v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
138. r\_\_y on convenience stores *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
139. par\_\_\_\_\_te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
140. business ja\_\_\_n *n.* specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify

ANSWERS: 132. civic, 133. elect, 134. policy, 135. treasure, 136. recognize, 137. reassure, 138. rely, 139. participate, 140. jargon

141. a sexual u\_\_e *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
142. pr\_\_\_\_\_nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
143. co\_\_\_\_\_al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
144. d\_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
145. ide\_\_\_\_\_al differences *adj.* relating to or concerned with ideas and theories rather than practical matters
146. de\_\_r crime *v.* to discourage or prevent someone from doing something
147. a selfish de\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
148. ann\_\_\_\_\_te all doubts *v.* to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist
149. de\_\_\_e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
150. 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

ANSWERS: 141. urge, 142. president, 143. communal, 144. doe, 145. ideological, 146. deter, 147. decision, 148. annihilate, 149. decide, 150. debate

151. sales rep\_\_\_\_\_ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
152. ov\_\_\_\_\_ht committee *n.* the act of supervising or watching over something; a mistake caused by not paying enough attention to something
153. su\_\_\_\_\_b to cancer *v.* to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury
154. int\_\_\_\_\_ted by police *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
155. es\_\_\_\_\_te into a major international incident *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
156. di\_\_\_\_\_le a machine *v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment
157. int\_\_\_\_\_te an enemy soldier *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
158. de\_\_r aggression *v.* to discourage or prevent someone from doing something
159. acute em\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
160. st\_\_\_e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

ANSWERS: 151. representative, 152. oversight, 153. succumb, 154. interrogate, 155. escalate, 156. dismantle, 157. interrogate, 158. deter, 159. emergency, 160. strike

161. a ch\_\_\_\_\_on of peace *n.* someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
162. mi\_\_\_\_\_e defense *n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism
163. su\_\_\_\_\_ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
164. ab\_\_e a crisis *v.* to lessen, reduce, or diminish in intensity or severity; to decline or wane in amount or strength over time
165. ci\_\_c center *adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
166. the characters that re\_\_\_\_\_nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
167. peace co\_\_\_\_\_ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
168. gu\_\_y performance *adj.* displaying courage, determination, or boldness; characterized by a willingness to take risks or face challenges
169. re\_\_x a series of muscles *v.* to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer
170. de\_\_\_\_\_e a job offer *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
171. the center ai\_\_e of a church *n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure

ANSWERS: 161. champion, 162. missile, 163. suddenly, 164. abate, 165. civic, 166. represent, 167. congress, 168. gutsy, 169. relax, 170. decline, 171. aisle



172. con\_\_\_\_\_nt assembly *n.* one of the parts of the whole; a person represented by an elected official
173. tr\_\_p card *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
174. the RSA al\_\_\_\_\_hm *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
175. ga\_\_\_e away my fortune *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
176. share of a mu\_\_\_l fund *adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties
177. a cold cl\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
178. de\_\_\_\_\_e in quality *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
179. sc\_\_e off her attacker by screaming *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
180. ina\_\_\_\_\_ble areas *adj.* unable to travel to or reach; not available
181. con\_\_\_\_\_ed legal language *adj.* extraordinarily complicated and hard to understand
182. book ap\_\_\_\_\_ix *n.* a small, tube-shaped organ attached to the large intestine in humans and some animals, which is believed to play a role in the immune system and digestion; supplementary material that is collected and appended at the back of a book

ANSWERS: 172. constituent, 173. trump, 174. algorithm, 175. gamble, 176. mutual, 177. climate, 178. decline, 179. scare, 180. inaccessible, 181. convoluted, 182. appendix

183. mu\_\_\_\_om cultivation *n.* a type of fungus that grows on dead or decaying organic matter and typically has a stalk and an umbrella-shaped cap
184. nu\_\_\_\_r fusion *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
185. th\_\_\_\_en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
186. sc\_\_e the birds away *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
187. su\_\_\_\_al food *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
188. em\_\_\_\_cy action *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
189. coo\_\_\_\_ve savings *adj.* involving doing something jointly or working with others to achieve a common goal
190. regularly co\_\_\_\_t with a doctor *v.* to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject
191. re\_\_\_\_on strategy *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
192. mu\_\_\_\_l efforts *adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties
193. el\_\_t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

ANSWERS: 183. mushroom, 184. nuclear, 185. threaten, 186. scare, 187. survival, 188. emergency, 189. cooperative, 190. consult, 191. reduction, 192. mutual, 193. elect

194. mu\_\_\_\_om spores *n.* a type of fungus that grows on dead or decaying organic matter and typically has a stalk and an umbrella-shaped cap
195. pa\_\_c buying *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
196. re\_\_r to a map *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
197. pr\_\_\_\_ty seating for elderly *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
198. mis\_\_\_\_and each other *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
199. tr\_\_\_\_re island *n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
200. q\_o warranto *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
201. ni\_\_\_\_re situation *n.* a very frightening or unpleasant dream
202. chaotic env\_\_\_\_nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
203. ab\_\_e a storm *v.* to lessen, reduce, or diminish in intensity or severity; to decline or wane in amount or strength over time

ANSWERS: 194. mushroom, 195. panic, 196. refer, 197. priority, 198. misunderstand, 199. treasure, 200. quo, 201. nightmare, 202. environment, 203. abate

204. nu\_\_\_\_d view *adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.
205. crack of d\_\_n *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
206. suspend a con\_\_\_\_\_nal meeting *adj.* of or relating to Congress, especially to the Congress of the United States
207. a seafaring na\_\_\_\_n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
208. lose se\_\_\_\_\_ce of identity *n.* the outward appearance or visible form of something, especially when it is different from the reality beneath; a vague or superficial similarity
209. co\_\_\_\_\_al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
210. re\_\_\_\_\_nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
211. ter\_\_\_\_\_ng events *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
212. ai\_\_e seat *n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure
213. ove\_\_\_\_\_ing majority *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
214. ann\_\_\_\_\_te the enemy *v.* to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist

ANSWERS: 204. nuanced, 205. dawn, 206. congressional, 207. nation, 208. semblance, 209. communal, 210. represent, 211. terrifying, 212. aisle, 213. overwhelming, 214. annihilate

215. a chick's tw\_\_t *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
216. abound in in\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the quality of inventing things or solving problems in clever new ways
217. su\_\_\_\_\_al ability *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
218. the grand ch\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
219. sta\_\_\_\_\_cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
220. ir\_\_y humor *n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
221. status q\_o politician *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
222. mis\_\_\_\_\_and entirely about her *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
223. the solid con\_\_\_\_\_nt of blood cells *n.* one of the parts of the whole; a person represented by an elected official
224. the worst hum\_\_\_\_\_de disaster *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
225. make dr\_\_\_\_\_ic changes *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement

ANSWERS: 215. tweet, 216. ingenuity, 217. survival, 218. champion, 219. statistics, 220. irony, 221. quo, 222. misunderstand, 223. constituent, 224. human-made, 225. dramatic

226. lose my g\_\_p *n.* the act of holding onto something firmly with your hands, or the ability to do so; (verb) to hold fast or firmly
227. ter\_\_\_\_\_ng experience *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
228. art cr\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
229. cyb\_\_\_\_\_ck prevention *n.* an attempt to damage, disrupt, or gain unauthorized access to a computer system or network
230. su\_\_\_\_\_b to old age *v.* to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury
231. ide\_\_\_\_\_al divide *adj.* relating to or concerned with ideas and theories rather than practical matters
232. effects of cl\_\_\_\_\_e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
233. up\_\_\_t mountains *n.* the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits
234. eva\_\_\_\_\_on cooling *n.* the process of a liquid changing into a gas or vapor, often as a result of high temperatures or reduced pressure; the gradual disappearance or dissipation of something, such as money or resources
235. mis\_\_\_\_\_ion of expenses *n.* a mistake in making a calculation or judgment that produces an incorrect result
236. f\_\_y of the storm *n.* intense and often violent anger

ANSWERS: 226. grip, 227. terrifying, 228. critic, 229. cyberattack, 230. succumb, 231. ideological, 232. climate, 233. uplift, 234. evaporation, 235. miscalculation, 236. fury

237. li\_\_\_\_\_ty for military service

*n.* a legal or financial responsibility or obligation

238. the common but nu\_\_\_\_\_d opinion

*adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.

ANSWERS: 237. liability, 238. nuanced

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We appreciate your \_\_\_\_\_ efforts.  
*adj.* involving doing something jointly or working with others to achieve a common goal
2. His abusive words made me \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
3. The majority of students actively \_\_\_\_\_ in the college's intramural sports program.  
*v.* to take part in something
4. The phone call is an \_\_\_\_\_ interruption.  
*adj.* making someone feel slightly angry
5. The sommelier can distinguish \_\_\_\_\_ variance in the flavor of the wine.  
*adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.
6. The book presents an \_\_\_\_\_ perspective on the role of government in society.  
*adj.* relating to or concerned with ideas and theories rather than practical matters
7. \_\_\_\_\_ elections were held in several European countries.  
*adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
8. The crowd's \_\_\_\_\_ was palpable as they shouted and protested against the government's decision.  
*n.* intense and often violent anger

ANSWERS: 1. cooperative, 2. uncomfortable, 3. participated, 4. annoying, 5. nuanced, 6. ideological, 7. Communal, 8. fury



9. He had a firm \_\_\_\_\_ on the rope as he climbed the mountain.  
*n.* the act of holding onto something firmly with your hands, or the ability to do so; (verb) to hold fast or firmly
10. The pilot tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the customers that the planes were safe.  
*v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
11. Due to careless \_\_\_\_\_ the product was not inspected before it was shipped to the customers.  
*n.* the act of supervising or watching over something; a mistake caused by not paying enough attention to something
12. Creativity and \_\_\_\_\_ are often brought about by extreme concentration.  
*n.* the quality of inventing things or solving problems in clever new ways
13. The \_\_\_\_\_ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.  
*n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
14. The \_\_\_\_\_ in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.  
*n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
15. The prime minister's sister has called for \_\_\_\_\_ to pass the legislation on same-sex marriage.  
*n.* agreement or collaboration between two political parties whose policies are normally opposed to one other's
16. The city promotes \_\_\_\_\_ collaboration in community development  
*adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it

ANSWERS: 9. grip, 10. reassure, 11. oversight, 12. ingenuity, 13. threat, 14. reduction, 15. bipartisanship, 16. civic

17. The president declared a state of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
18. The financial industry is notorious for using complicated \_\_\_\_\_ that confuses consumers.
- n.* specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify
19. The following example \_\_\_\_\_ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
20. You should not \_\_\_\_\_ the meaning of freedom.
- v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
21. Missile assaults on the capital continued around \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
22. The high fence was meant to \_\_\_\_\_ intruders from entering the property.
- v.* to discourage or prevent someone from doing something
23. Human behavior has \_\_\_\_\_ characteristics.
- adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
24. The situation quickly \_\_\_\_\_ and turned violent.
- v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

ANSWERS: 17. emergency, 18. jargon, 19. assumes, 20. misunderstand, 21. dawn, 22. deter, 23. fundamental, 24. escalated

25. I can't \_\_\_\_\_ spicy food, and it always gives me heartburn
- v.* to allow something to exist or happen, even if it is disliked or opposed
26. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
27. We could hear the \_\_\_\_\_ of baby birds.
- n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
28. Each \_\_\_\_\_ member of the council has the right to vote on important decisions.
- n.* one of the parts of the whole; a person represented by an elected official
29. I gave witness on her \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
30. The old building had to be \_\_\_\_\_ because it was structurally unsound.
- v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment
31. My left arm became \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
32. Every five years, the provincial governors are \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

ANSWERS: 25. tolerate, 26. statistics, 27. tweet, 28. constituent, 29. behalf, 30. dismantled, 31. numb, 32. elected

33. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the discussion was the current state of the economy.  
*n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
34. \_\_\_\_\_ must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.  
*n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
35. Supporters in the stands \_\_\_\_\_ at every goal.  
*v.* to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval
36. 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
37. The company's new \_\_\_\_\_ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.  
*n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
38. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
39. This bronze sword is a \_\_\_\_\_ of ancient times.  
*n.* an object from a previous era, especially one of historical value
40. The instructor will provide a glossary of commonly used \_\_\_\_\_ at the beginning of the course.  
*n.* the special words or phrases that are used within a particular field or subject; the language or jargon of a particular group or profession

ANSWERS: 33. topic, 34. Congress, 35. cheered, 36. represent, 37. policy, 38. emerged, 39. relic, 40. terminology

41. Life as a waiter was a big \_\_\_\_\_ for him.  
*n.* a very frightening or unpleasant dream
42. The formation of clouds is facilitated by the process of \_\_\_\_\_ and condensation  
*n.* the process of a liquid changing into a gas or vapor, often as a result of high temperatures or reduced pressure; the gradual disappearance or dissipation of something, such as money or resources
43. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the situation is that he won the lottery on the day he lost his job.  
*n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
44. The \_\_\_\_\_ bicyclist outrode all his competitors.  
*n.* someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
45. The president prepared several possible \_\_\_\_\_ for an enemy attack.  
*n.* a description of possible actions or events in the future; a written outline of a play, film, or literary work
46. As the use of technology continues to increase in everyday life, \_\_\_\_\_ awareness and education become even more important  
*n.* the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction
47. Both parties are now entirely ideologically \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line

ANSWERS: 41. nightmare, 42. evaporation, 43. irony, 44. champion, 45. scenarios, 46. cybersecurity, 47. aligned

48. Various artificially induced causes are \_\_\_\_\_ our ecosystem.  
*v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
49. Always \_\_\_\_\_ a lawyer before launching a business.  
*v.* to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject
50. We can \_\_\_\_\_ this possibility from those consumptions.  
*v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something
51. She was struggling to make a \_\_\_\_\_ between two job offers.  
*n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
52. The investigation \_\_\_\_\_ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.  
*v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
53. The company is facing a potential \_\_\_\_\_ of millions of dollars due to the lawsuit.  
*n.* a legal or financial responsibility or obligation
54. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
55. There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important

ANSWERS: 48. threatening, 49. consult, 50. eliminate, 51. decision, 52. involves, 53. liability, 54. critics, 55. awareness

56. His \_\_\_\_\_ in the stock market cost him a significant amount of money.
- n.* a mistake in making a calculation or judgment that produces an incorrect result
57. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
58. Will you \_\_\_\_\_ on the result of the fight?
- v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
59. The negotiations between the two companies reached a \_\_\_\_\_ and neither side would compromise.
- n.* a situation in which neither side of a conflict or dispute can make progress or gain an advantage, typically resulting in a deadlock or impasse
60. The treatments were done but, \_\_\_\_\_ were unsuccessful.
- adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
61. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his anger by taking deep breaths and counting to ten.
- v.* to lessen, reduce, or diminish in intensity or severity; to decline or wane in amount or strength over time
62. Infants and pregnant women are particularly \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
63. Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of \_\_\_\_\_ weapons.
- adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

ANSWERS: 56. miscalculation, 57. nation, 58. gamble, 59. stalemate, 60. unfortunately, 61. abate, 62. vulnerable, 63. nuclear

64. Her \_\_\_\_\_ is to be a mother.

- n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

65. The bridge is a \_\_\_\_\_ structure and was built to span the river.

- adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial

66. 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

67. It was \_\_\_\_\_ to quit her job and start her own business.

- adj.* displaying courage, determination, or boldness; characterized by a willingness to take risks or face challenges

68. The \_\_\_\_\_ building was a stunning example of classical architecture, with its marble columns and grand dome.

- n.* a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress

69. There was no \_\_\_\_\_ of order at the chaotic protest.

- n.* the outward appearance or visible form of something, especially when it is different from the reality beneath; a vague or superficial similarity

70. In \_\_\_\_\_ private corporations provide healthcare services.

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

71. The project's \_\_\_\_\_ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

- n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

ANSWERS: 64. priority, 65. human-made, 66. trump, 67. gutsy, 68. capitol, 69. semblance, 70. addition, 71. complexity



72. Large earthquakes often generate \_\_\_\_\_ tsunamis.

*adj.* very frightening or intimidating

73. The company is set to \_\_\_\_\_ its new product line next month.

*v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

74. 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

75. This project has been \_\_\_\_\_ for several years.

*adj.* having started and currently in progress

76. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

*n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

77. They cooperated for their \_\_\_\_\_ benefit.

*adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties

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

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

79. Heavy snow made it \_\_\_\_\_ to go to the mountain village.

*adj.* unable to travel to or reach; not available

ANSWERS: 72. terrifying, 73. launch, 74. debate, 75. underway, 76. movement, 77. mutual, 78. aisle, 79. inaccessible

80. The military launched a ballistic \_\_\_\_\_ at the enemy's stronghold.  
*n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism
81. The club \_\_\_\_\_ does not have absolute power.  
*n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
82. The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately \_\_\_\_\_ the witness.  
*v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
83. She couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.  
*v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
84. The view from the top of the mountain was \_\_\_\_\_ with sweeping vistas of the valley below.  
*adj.* causing terror or fear; extremely great or intense; very good or excellent
85. \_\_\_\_\_ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.  
*n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
86. The birds \_\_\_\_\_ open water areas with reeds around them.  
*v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
87. He evaluated his chances for \_\_\_\_\_ rather pessimistically.  
*n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger

ANSWERS: 80. missile, 81. president, 82. interrogate, 83. decide, 84. terrific, 85. Democracy, 86. prefer, 87. survival

88. Babies heavily \_\_\_\_\_ on others for food.

- v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

89. \_\_\_\_\_ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

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

90. James Joyce's books are full of long, \_\_\_\_\_ sentences.

- adj.* extraordinarily complicated and hard to understand

91. As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually \_\_\_\_\_.

- v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

92. It's important to \_\_\_\_\_ your strengths and weaknesses.

- v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

93. The company has been successful in maintaining the status \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue

94. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's \_\_\_\_\_.

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

95. He finally \_\_\_\_\_ to temptation.

- v.* to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury

ANSWERS: 88. rely, 89. Climate, 90. convoluted, 91. declines, 92. recognize, 93. quo, 94. environment, 95. succumbed

96. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the stock market has been a relief to investors.
- n.* the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits
97. There was a \_\_\_\_\_ probe into the scandal.
- adj.* of or relating to Congress, especially to the Congress of the United States
98. The \_\_\_\_\_ risotto was delicious, but I couldn't identify all the mushrooms in it.
- n.* a type of fungus that grows on dead or decaying organic matter and typically has a stalk and an umbrella-shaped cap
99. He has shown signs of uneasiness and \_\_\_\_\_ worry.
- adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
100. The pirates searched for buried \_\_\_\_\_ in the dunes.
- n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
101. We can evaluate the performance of an \_\_\_\_\_ in terms of computation time.
- n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
102. The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused \_\_\_\_\_ in the financial markets.
- n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
103. The \_\_\_\_\_ of unemployment loomed over the young graduates as they exited the university.
- n.* a ghostly or haunting image or apparition; a threatening or ominous presence that causes fear or anxiety

ANSWERS: 96. uplift, 97. congressional, 98. mushroom, 99. overwhelming, 100. treasure, 101. algorithm, 102. panic, 103. specter

104. The media \_\_\_\_\_ had special passes.

*n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

105. Hunters use a whistle that makes the \_\_\_\_ sound to lure stags.

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

106. The landowner agreed to \_\_\_\_\_ part of his property to the government for the public good.

*v.* to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority

107. The government threatened to \_\_\_\_\_ the enemy territory if they didn't surrender.

*v.* (derived from "nuclear") to attack or destroy a place or target with a nuclear weapon; to cook food in a microwave oven; (noun) a nuclear weapon, such as a nuclear bomb or missile

108. Who answers \_\_\_\_\_ knows little.

*adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

109. The statement had a \_\_\_\_\_ impact on house prices.

*adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement

110. We \_\_\_\_\_ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

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

111. A clear and simple expression is the \_\_\_\_\_ of good writing.

*n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing

ANSWERS: 104. representatives, 105. doe, 106. cede, 107. nuke, 108. suddenly, 109. dramatic, 110. strike, 111. hallmark

112. Please \_\_\_\_\_ to the instruction manual for further assistance.

- v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

113. We hit the ground to \_\_\_\_\_ out the rabbits.

- v. to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

114. The lobbyist \_\_\_\_\_ Congress not to approve the measure.

- v. to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

115. The rules were \_\_\_\_\_ after the new executive arrived.

- v. to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer

116. The doctor reviewed the patient's medical records to see if they had previously had their \_\_\_\_\_ removed.

- n. a small, tube-shaped organ attached to the large intestine in humans and some animals, which is believed to play a role in the immune system and digestion; supplementary material that is collected and appended at the back of a book

117. The virus had the potential to \_\_\_\_\_ entire populations if left unchecked.

- v. to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist

118. The hackers launched a devastating \_\_\_\_\_ stealing sensitive information from the company's servers.

- n. an attempt to damage, disrupt, or gain unauthorized access to a computer system or network

119. The trade \_\_\_\_\_ remained adamant about its demands.

- n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

ANSWERS: 112. refer, 113. scare, 114. urged, 115. relaxed, 116. appendix, 117. annihilate, 118. cyberattack, 119. union

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