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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### electrify

*v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

*synonym*: wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

### sub-Saharan

*adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert

(1) **sub-Saharan** Africa, (2) **sub-Saharan** countries

The coffee producers in **sub-Saharan** countries are at the sharp end of fluctuations in price.

### 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.

### opportune

*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

*synonym* : suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

## inefficient

*adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.

*synonym* : ineffective, counterproductive, inadequate

(1) **inefficient** use, (2) **inefficient** management

The system is still so **inefficient** that it is useless.

## quadruple

*v.* to consist of four items or people; to become four times as great or many

(1) **quadruple** the amount, (2) **quadruple** the price of gold

His stock earnings **quadrupled**.

## trajectory

*n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space

*synonym* : course, curve, orbit

(1) career **trajectory**, (2) a **trajectory** missile

The company has shown an excellent growth **trajectory** over the years.

## electrification

*n.* the process of installing electrical equipment or infrastructure, especially in a place that previously only had non-electrical equipment or infrastructure; the act of supplying electrical energy to an object or system, causing it to become electrically charged;

(1) railway **electrification**, (2) **electrification** current

The village was excited about the **electrification** of their community, which would bring light to their homes.

## mechanize

*v.* to equip with machinery or automatic equipment; to replace human labor with machines or automation in industry or other processes; to make a job or a procedure more systematic or efficient by the use of tools or technology

*synonym* : automate, motorize, robotize

(1) **mechanize** operations, (2) **mechanize** agriculture  
The factory **mechanized** its production line to increase efficiency and reduce labor costs.

## stimming

*n.* a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation

*synonym* : self-stimulation, repetitive behaviors

(1) autistic **stimming**, (2) **stimming** therapy

Autistic children may engage in **stimming** behaviors, such as rocking or hand flapping, to self-regulate.

## inefficiency

*n.* the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive

*synonym* : ineffectiveness, inefficacy, inadequacy

(1) **inefficiency** in the system, (2) bureaucratic **inefficiency**

The company's **inefficiency** in handling customer requests led to many complaints.

## catastrophe

*n.* a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune

*synonym* : disaster, calamity, cataclysm

(1) **catastrophe** risk management, (2) avoid climate **catastrophe**

The lack of funds has resulted in a **catastrophe** for our university system.

## disrupt

*v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

*synonym* : interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition, (2) **disrupt** sleep

I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

## rehash

*v.* to discuss or go over something, especially ideas or information, that has already been discussed or gone

over before; to present old material in a new or modified form

*synonym* : repeat, reiterate, recycle

(1) **rehash** old ideas, (2) **rehash** a story

I don't want to **rehash** the same argument we had last night.

## 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.

## misdirect

v. to give someone the wrong order, information, etc.; to send someone or something to the wrong place or wrong direction

*synonym* : misguide, mislead, botch

(1) **misdirect** my anger, (2) **misdirect** the letter

I believe this analysis is **misdirected** to some extent.

## paternalism

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

*synonym* : guardianship, fatherliness

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

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

## unpack

v. to open and remove stored items from a container or package; to analyze or examine something in detail, often to clarify or understand it better

*synonym* : dissect, unwrap, unbox

(1) **unpack** a crate, (2) **unpack** a concept

I need to **unpack** my suitcase and put my clothes away.

## enshrine

v. to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect

*synonym*: ensconce, preserve, cherish

(1) **enshrine** memories, (2) **enshrine** tradition

The Constitution **enshrines** the rights and freedoms of citizens.

## romanticize

v. to make something seem more attractive or appealing than it is, especially by exaggerating or idealizing its qualities; to view or present something in a romantic or sentimental way

*synonym*: idealize, glorify, sentimentalize

(1) **romanticize** the past, (2) **romanticize** the idea of love

It is easy to **romanticize** a new job or opportunity, but it is important to remain objective and realistic about the challenges that come with it

## 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.

## leapfrog

n. a children's game in which players take turns jumping over each other's stooped backs

*synonym*: hopping, jumpfrog

(1) **leapfrog** game, (2) **leapfrog** technology

During recess, the children played a game of **leapfrog** in the schoolyard.

## solicitous

*adj.* showing concern or care for someone's well-being; anxious or attentive in expressing one's own needs or desires

*synonym*: concerned, attentive, caring

(1) **solicitous** care, (2) **solicitous** concern

The **solicitous** nurse made sure her patients were comfortable and well-cared for.

## underpin

v. to support or strengthen the foundations of something  
*synonym*: support, foundation, base

(1) **underpin** a structure, (2) **underpin** democratization

The research findings **underpin** the theory that human activities cause global warming.

## innovate

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products  
*synonym*: bring in, introduce, found

(1) **innovate** a new method, (2) **innovate** the quality of his life

Companies developing self-driving cars consistently **innovate** the emerging technologies.

## rooftop

n. the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes

*synonym*: roof, terrace, deck

(1) **rooftop** live, (2) **rooftop** deck

They held the dinner party on the **rooftop** terrace, enjoying the beautiful view of the city.

## interconnect

v. to connect similar things

*synonym*: interlink, connect, annex

(1) directly **interconnect** with those systems, (2) human activities **interconnect** with the environment

Our system can now **interconnect** with other databases.

## socioeconomic

adj. relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class

*synonym*: social, economic, financial

(1) **socioeconomic** status, (2) **socioeconomic** issues

The **socioeconomic** conditions of a country can significantly affect its political stability.

## glacial

adj. relating to or resembling a glacier (= a slowly moving mass of ice) or the process of glaciation; characterized

by an extremely slow or gradual pace or movement

*synonym* : cold, icy, frozen

(1) **glacial** movements, (2) **glacial** terrain

The **glacial** pace of the negotiations frustrated both parties.

## bureaucracy

*n.* a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives

*synonym* : administration, government, system

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

The bumbling **bureaucracy** made it difficult to get the permits we needed.

## improvisation

*n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

*synonym* : spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

## trade-off

*n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise

*synonym* : compromise, balance, exchange

(1) **trade-off** problem, (2) environmental **trade-off**

There was a **trade-off** between speed and accuracy in the task.

## resilient

*adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

*synonym* : robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population

She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

## negotiable

*adj.* capable of being discussed and agreed upon; able to be changed or altered through negotiation

*synonym* : flexible, adjustable, adaptable

(1) a **negotiable** bill, (2) **negotiable** salary

The price of these items is **negotiable**, so feel free to make an offer.

## broaden

*v.* to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.

*synonym* : expand, widen, enlarge

(1) **broaden** students' knowledge, (2) **broaden** their horizon

The company **broadened** its product line to include more customer options.

## distract

*v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

*synonym* : divert, preoccupy, confuse

(1) **distract** attention from the real issue, (2) **distract** public opinion

Please don't **distract** me while I'm studying.

## endow

*v.* to give a quality, ability, or asset to a person or institution

*synonym* : finance, subsidize, support

(1) **endow** him with the power, (2) **endow** the scholarship

Some people believe that human is **endowed** with reason and capable of distinguishing good from evil.

## geothermal

*adj.* relating to or produced by the internal heat of the earth; often used to refer to energy produced by tapping into the natural heat of the earth

*synonym* : underground, thermal, subterranean

(1) **geothermal** activity, (2) **geothermal** drilling

The town is exploring using **geothermal** energy to power its homes and buildings.



## hydro

*n.* a prefix denoting water or relating to water, usually used in scientific or technical terminology

*synonym*: water, aqua, liquid

(1) **hydro** power, (2) **hydro** turbine

The **hydro** plant generates electricity by harnessing the power of water.

## quirk

*n.* a peculiar behavior, habit, or characteristic that is distinctive to an individual or group

*synonym*: eccentricity, idiosyncrasy, peculiarity

(1) personality **quirk**, (2) a **quirk** of fate

One of her **quirks** is that she always wears mismatched socks.

## Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. rom_____ze the idea of love                       | v.   | to make something seem more attractive or appealing than it is, especially by exaggerating or idealizing its qualities; to view or present something in a romantic or sentimental way                                     |
| 2. human activities int_____ect with the environment | v.   | to connect similar things   |
| 3. ine_____ncy in the system                         | n.   | the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive  |
| 4. geo_____al activity                               | adj. | relating to or produced by the internal heat of the earth; often used to refer to energy produced by tapping into the natural heat of the earth   |
| 5. in_____te a new method                            | v.   | to introduce new methods, ideas, or products  |
| 6. st_____ng therapy                                 | n.   | a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation |
| 7. br_____n students' knowledge                      | v.   | to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.  |

ANSWERS: 1. romanticize, 2. interconnect, 3. inefficiency, 4. geothermal, 5. innovate, 6. stimming, 7. broaden

8. ind\_\_\_\_\_us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
9. el\_\_\_\_\_fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
10. en\_\_w the scholarship *v.* to give a quality, ability, or asset to a person or institution
11. gl\_\_\_\_\_l terrain *adj.* relating to or resembling a glacier (= a slowly moving mass of ice) or the process of glaciation; characterized by an extremely slow or gradual pace or movement
12. el\_\_\_\_\_fy the audience *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
13. en\_\_\_\_\_ne tradition *v.* to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect
14. geo\_\_\_\_\_al drilling *adj.* relating to or produced by the internal heat of the earth; often used to refer to energy produced by tapping into the natural heat of the earth
15. ine\_\_\_\_\_nt management *adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
16. jazz imp\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

ANSWERS: 8. industrious, 9. electrify, 10. endow, 11. glacial, 12. electrify, 13. enshrine, 14. geothermal, 15. inefficient, 16. improvisation

17. di\_\_\_\_\_ct attention from the real issue  
v. to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
18. ine\_\_\_\_\_nt use  
*adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
19. sol\_\_\_\_\_us care  
*adj.* showing concern or care for someone's well-being; anxious or attentive in expressing one's own needs or desires
20. ind\_\_\_\_\_us student  
*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
21. mi\_\_\_\_\_ct my anger  
v. to give someone the wrong order, information, etc.; to send someone or something to the wrong place or wrong direction
22. re\_\_\_\_\_nt population  
*adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
23. career tra\_\_\_\_\_ry  
*n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
24. avoid climate cat\_\_\_\_\_he  
*n.* a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune
25. a hard and re\_\_\_\_\_nt steel  
*adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
26. re\_\_\_h a story  
v. to discuss or go over something, especially ideas or information, that has already been discussed or gone over before; to present old material in a new or modified form
27. me\_\_\_\_\_ze operations  
v. to equip with machinery or automatic equipment; to replace human labor with machines or automation in industry or other processes; to make a job or a procedure more systematic or efficient by the use of tools or technology

ANSWERS: 17. distract, 18. inefficient, 19. solicitous, 20. industrious, 21. misdirect, 22. resilient, 23. trajectory, 24. catastrophe, 25. resilient, 26. rehash, 27. mechanize

28. di\_\_\_\_\_t a well-ordered condition      *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
29. cat\_\_\_\_\_he risk management      *n.* a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune
30. qu\_\_\_\_\_le the price of gold      *v.* to consist of four items or people; to become four times as great or many
31. soc\_\_\_\_\_mic issues      *adj.* relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class
32. sub\_\_\_\_\_an Africa      *adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert
33. le\_\_\_\_\_og game      *n.* a children's game in which players take turns jumping over each other's stooped backs
34. bureaucratic ine\_\_\_\_\_ncy      *n.* the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive
35. gl\_\_\_\_\_l movements      *adj.* relating to or resembling a glacier (= a slowly moving mass of ice) or the process of glaciation; characterized by an extremely slow or gradual pace or movement
36. en\_\_\_\_\_ne memories      *v.* to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect

ANSWERS: 28. disrupt, 29. catastrophe, 30. quadruple, 31. socioeconomic, 32. sub-Saharan, 33. leapfrog, 34. inefficiency, 35. glacial, 36. enshrine

37. le\_\_\_\_og technology *n.* a children's game in which players take turns jumping over each other's stooped backs
38. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
39. un\_\_\_\_\_in a structure *v.* to support or strengthen the foundations of something
40. pat\_\_\_\_\_sm in healthcare *n.* the practice or belief of governing or managing individuals or groups in a manner that is considered to be nurturing or protective but also limiting or controlling their freedom and autonomy
41. gr\_\_\_\_\_e with problem *v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
42. a qu\_\_k of fate *n.* a peculiar behavior, habit, or characteristic that is distinctive to an individual or group
43. sub\_\_\_\_\_an countries *adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert
44. op\_\_\_\_\_ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
45. sol\_\_\_\_\_us concern *adj.* showing concern or care for someone's well-being; anxious or attentive in expressing one's own needs or desires
46. railway ele\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the process of installing electrical equipment or infrastructure, especially in a place that previously only had non-electrical equipment or infrastructure; the act of supplying electrical energy to an object or system, causing it to become electrically charged;

ANSWERS: 37. leapfrog, 38. opportune, 39. underpin, 40. paternalism, 41. grapple,

42. quirk, 43. sub-Saharan, 44. opportune, 45. solicitous, 46. electrification

47. un\_\_\_\_\_in democratization      *v.* to support or strengthen the foundations of something
48. a sense of wel\_\_\_\_\_ng      *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
49. neg\_\_\_\_\_le salary      *adj.* capable of being discussed and agreed upon; able to be changed or altered through negotiation
50. a neg\_\_\_\_\_le bill      *adj.* capable of being discussed and agreed upon; able to be changed or altered through negotiation
51. critique of pat\_\_\_\_\_sm      *n.* the practice or belief of governing or managing individuals or groups in a manner that is considered to be nurturing or protective but also limiting or controlling their freedom and autonomy
52. ro\_\_\_\_\_p live      *n.* the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes
53. me\_\_\_\_\_ze agriculture      *v.* to equip with machinery or automatic equipment; to replace human labor with machines or automation in industry or other processes; to make a job or a procedure more systematic or efficient by the use of tools or technology
54. environmental tr\_\_\_\_\_ff      *n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
55. government bur\_\_\_\_\_cy      *n.* a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives

ANSWERS: 47. underpin, 48. well-being, 49. negotiable, 50. negotiable, 51. paternalism, 52. rooftop, 53. mechanize, 54. trade-off, 55. bureaucracy



56. tr\_\_\_\_\_ff problem *n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
57. di\_\_\_\_\_t sleep *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
58. arbitrary bur\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives
59. ro\_\_\_\_\_p deck *n.* the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes
60. mi\_\_\_\_\_ct the letter *v.* to give someone the wrong order, information, etc.; to send someone or something to the wrong place or wrong direction
61. imp\_\_\_\_\_ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
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ANSWERS: 56. trade-off, 57. disrupt, 58. bureaucracy, 59. rooftop, 60. misdirect, 61. improvisation, 62. unpack, 63. socioeconomic

64. di\_\_\_\_\_ct public opinion      *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
65. en\_\_w him with the power      *v.* to give a quality, ability, or asset to a person or institution
66. the wel\_\_\_\_\_ng of a nation      *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
67. directly int\_\_\_\_\_ect with those systems      *v.* to connect similar things
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72. in\_\_\_\_\_te the quality of his life      *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
73. hy\_\_o power      *n.* a prefix denoting water or relating to water, usually used in scientific or technical terminology
74. a tra\_\_\_\_\_ry missile      *n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
75. hy\_\_o turbine      *n.* a prefix denoting water or relating to water, usually used in scientific or technical terminology

ANSWERS: 64. distract, 65. endow, 66. well-being, 67. interconnect, 68. grapple, 69. broaden, 70. quirk, 71. quadruple, 72. innovate, 73. hydro, 74. trajectory, 75. hydro



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The system is still so \_\_\_\_\_ that it is useless.  
*adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
2. His stock earnings \_\_\_\_\_.  
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3. Autistic children may engage in \_\_\_\_\_ behaviors, such as rocking or hand flapping, to self-regulate.  
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4. Our system can now \_\_\_\_\_ with other databases.  
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5. The town is exploring using \_\_\_\_\_ energy to power its homes and buildings.  
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ANSWERS: 16. broadened, 17. enshrines, 18. negotiable, 19. disrupt, 20. trade-off, 21. quirks, 22. industrious, 23. well-being

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28. The village was excited about the \_\_\_\_\_ of their community, which would bring light to their homes.

*n.* the process of installing electrical equipment or infrastructure, especially in a place that previously only had non-electrical equipment or infrastructure; the act of supplying electrical energy to an object or system, causing it to become electrically charged;

29. The product developed through years of research continues to \_\_\_\_\_ the market.

*v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

30. 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

ANSWERS: 24. sub-Saharan, 25. unpack, 26. innovate, 27. bureaucracy, 28. electrification, 29. electrify, 30. grapple

31. I believe this analysis is \_\_\_\_\_ to some extent.

- v.* to give someone the wrong order, information, etc.; to send someone or something to the wrong place or wrong direction

32. The CEO's leadership style was characterized by \_\_\_\_\_ towards his employees.

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

33. The \_\_\_\_\_ nurse made sure her patients were comfortable and well-cared for.

- adj.* showing concern or care for someone's well-being; anxious or attentive in expressing one's own needs or desires

34. I don't want to \_\_\_\_\_ the same argument we had last night.

- v.* to discuss or go over something, especially ideas or information, that has already been discussed or gone over before; to present old material in a new or modified form

35. The lack of funds has resulted in a \_\_\_\_\_ for our university system.

- n.* a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune

36. Some people believe that human is \_\_\_\_\_ with reason and capable of distinguishing good from evil.

- v.* to give a quality, ability, or asset to a person or institution

37. It is easy to \_\_\_\_\_ a new job or opportunity, but it is important to remain objective and realistic about the challenges that come with it

- v.* to make something seem more attractive or appealing than it is, especially by exaggerating or idealizing its qualities; to view or present something in a romantic or sentimental way

ANSWERS: 31. misdirected, 32. paternalism, 33. solicitous, 34. rehash, 35. catastrophe, 36. endowed, 37. romanticize



38. The \_\_\_\_\_ pace of the negotiations frustrated both parties.

*adj.* relating to or resembling a glacier (= a slowly moving mass of ice) or the process of glaciation; characterized by an extremely slow or gradual pace or movement

39. The factory \_\_\_\_\_ its production line to increase efficiency and reduce labor costs.

*v.* to equip with machinery or automatic equipment; to replace human labor with machines or automation in industry or other processes; to make a job or a procedure more systematic or efficient by the use of tools or technology

40. The \_\_\_\_\_ conditions of a country can significantly affect its political stability.

*adj.* relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class

ANSWERS: 38. glacial, 39. mechanized, 40. socioeconomic