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Session 1: Word List

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**.

ethic

n. a set of moral or philosophical principles or values that guide the behavior or actions of an individual, group, or society; the study or inquiry into the nature of morality and moral systems

synonym : moral code, code of conduct, principles

(1) moral **ethic**, (2) professional **ethic**

Having a strong work **ethic** is important for success in any field.

hedge

n. a fence formed by a line of bushes or shrubs; (verb) limit or avoid something such as duties, issues, and questions by conditions or exceptions

synonym : border, fence, barrier

(1) snip at a **hedge**, (2) **hedge** fund firm

The best way to **hedge** financial risks is to diversify your portfolio.

adventurer

n. a person who enjoys or seeks dangerous and exciting experiences

synonym: explorer, entrepreneur, daredevil

(1) daredevil **adventurer**, (2) outdoor **adventurers**

The ocean **adventurer** holds the record for the oldest solo Pacific Ocean crossing by a sailboat.

recover

v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

synonym: come back, convalesce, heal

(1) **recover** a loss, (2) **recover** approval ratings

She is still **recovering** from a shot to her shoulder.

artifact

n. a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest

synonym: antique, relic, heirloom

(1) paleolithic **artifacts**, (2) Peruvian **artifacts**

The museum has a vast collection of Greek **artifacts**.

colony

n. a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away

synonym: settlement, territory, plantation

(1) plant a **colony**, (2) a **colony** of bacteria

The **colony** declared its independence and became a republic.

sanctuary

n. a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse

synonym: refuge, safety, haven

(1) an animal **sanctuary**, (2) violate a **sanctuary**

The church offered **sanctuary** to refugees fleeing from war-torn countries.

craft

n. an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands

synonym: art, skill, workmanship

(1) **craft** arts of Japan, (2) **craft** manufacture

His hometown was where he first acquired the **craft** of wood carving.

fulfill

v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

synonym: satisfy, complete, accomplish

(1) **fulfill** a contract, (2) **fulfill** a lifetime dream

It was the first time for her, but she **fulfilled** the role of Priest.

abandon

v. to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

synonym: relinquish, leave behind, disregard

(1) **abandon** a friend, (2) **abandon** the practice

The castle was **abandoned** several years later.

exhibit

v. to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information

synonym: display, expose, show

(1) **exhibit** a bad attitude, (2) **exhibit** a great talent

Other technology industries **exhibit** similarly explosive growth.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym: discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

tower

n. a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

synonym: building, belfry, edifice

(1) a bell **tower**, (2) the **tower** on a cliff

She is a **tower** of strength for our team in trouble.

garrison

n. a group of soldiers stationed to defend a town or fort

synonym: fort, regiment, soldiers

(1) **garrison** troops, (2) reinforce a **garrison**
They formed a vast **garrison** to withstand an assault.

bot *n.* a computer program or software application that is capable of performing automated tasks, often on the internet; a type of electronic device that provides autonomous service or assistance to users

synonym : robot, droid, android

(1) spam **bot**, (2) **bot** detection

The translation **bot** helped me translate a website from another country.

ravine *n.* a deep, narrow gorge or valley with steep sides, often carved by the flow of water or a landslide

synonym : canyon, gorge, gulch

(1) **ravine** trail, (2) steep **ravine**

The hiker fell into a **ravine** and had to be rescued by a helicopter.

trap *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

synonym : catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal

The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

nod *v.* to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation

synonym : respond, acknowledge, greet

(1) **nod** at each other, (2) **nod** courteously

She **noded** quietly in response to the question.

communicate *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym : convey, share, transmit

- (1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,
(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

defend

- v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

synonym: protect, guard, support

- (1) **defend** my country, (2) **defend** against a threat

International law allows each nation to **defend** itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.

thwart

- v. to prevent something from happening or succeeding

synonym: hinder, block, obstruct

- (1) **thwart** enemy plans, (2) **thwart** attempts

He **thwarted** the thief's attempt to steal the painting.

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.

stir

- v. to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused

synonym: mix, swirl, provoke

- (1) **stir** a sauce, (2) **stir** up controversy

Topics related to that war may **stir** up a political hornets' nest.

intention

- n. something you want to do and are going to do

synonym: purpose, connotation, will

- (1) **intention** behind his decision, (2) clear **intention**

Our CEO's **intentions** are always transparent and straightforward.

vandalism

n. the willful and malicious destruction or defacement of property that belongs to another person or the public; the act of deliberately causing damage or harm to something valuable or meaningful

synonym: destruction, damage, desecration

(1) cyber **vandalism**, (2) **vandalism** at shrines

The graffiti on the wall was an act of **vandalism** that caused damage to public property.

resident

n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place

synonym: dweller, inhabitant, inhabitant

(1) a **resident** of the city, (2) **resident** tax

Visa renewal for **resident** foreigners in this country is once every five years.

odd

adj. strange or unexpected; not divisible by two

synonym: strange, bizarre, abnormal

(1) in an **odd** way, (2) **odd** behavior

His grandfather was an **odd** man.

pixel

n. the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image

synonym: dot, point, picture element

(1) **pixel** density, (2) color **pixels**

The computer screen comprises thousands of tiny **pixels** that create the overall picture.

portrait

n. a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face

synonym: illustration, image, portraiture

(1) a **portrait** painter, (2) **portrait** of a well-known figure

A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's **portrait**.

admire

v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

synonym : esteem, respect, marvel

(1) **admire** the subtlety of the distinctions, (2) **admire** kids with attitude

We all **admire** him because he is a nobleman.

slim

adj. having a slender or thin build, often by design or effort; of small size, amount, or margin; reduced or limited

synonym : slender, thin, lean

(1) **slim** chances, (2) **slim** margin

The **slim** laptop was easy to carry around and perfect for travel.

margin

n. the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

synonym : edge, border, periphery

(1) **margin** error, (2) a profit **margin**

Unfortunately, the book's **margin** was too small to make notes.

deface

v. to mar or spoil the surface or appearance of something, typically by drawing or writing on it

synonym : disfigure, blemish, wreck

(1) **deface** private property, (2) **deface** the wall with graffiti

The teacher warned the boys not to **deface** public property.

blame

v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

synonym : condemn, rebuke, find fault with

(1) **blame** circumstances for the failure, (2) **blame** the lack of knowledge

We **blamed** our impeded progress on lack of money.

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable

for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym : procedure, method, system

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

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

specific

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

synonym : particular, definite, distinct

(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations

The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.

instruction

n. detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something

synonym : education, direction, guidance

(1) individual **instruction**, (2) follow his **instructions**

They needed further **instruction** to perform their duties efficiently.

grid

n. a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

synonym : gridiron, battery grid, power system

(1) a **grid** design, (2) a wire **grid**

Grid pattern roads often appear in urban areas.

degree

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

synonym : level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

canvas

n. the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

(1) blank **canvas**, (2) oil on **canvas**

Life is a vast **canvas**; you should put as much paint on it as possible.

diagonally

adv. in an oblique or slanted direction or manner; at an angle between horizontal and vertical

synonym: obliquely, slantwise, askew

(1) **diagonally** opposite, (2) cut **diagonally**

I walked **diagonally** across the field to reach the other side faster.

pause

v. to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing

synonym: halt, break, intermit

(1) **pause** a moment, (2) **pause** for a reaction

The man **paused** before opening the door.

hint

n. an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something

synonym: clue, indication, suggestion

(1) **hint** of trouble, (2) helpful **hints**

There was no **hint** of a problem.

simulate

v. to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes

synonym: pretend, imitate, mimic

(1) **simulate** climate change, (2) **simulate** a future scenario

He had painted the wood to **simulate** stone.

fortunate

adj. having good luck or lucky

synonym: fortuitous, lucky, blessed

(1) **fortunate** situation, (2) less **fortunate** person

He was pretty **fortunate** to pass the exam.

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym: resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

flexibility

n. the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations

synonym: elasticity, adaptability, resilience

(1) mental **flexibility**, (2) the **flexibility** of the body

We dealt with those problems with speed and **flexibility**.

variable

adj. likely to change or vary often; (noun) a symbol, like x or y, that is used in mathematical or logical expressions to represent a value that may be changed

synonym: erratic, inconsistent, irregular

(1) a **variable** species, (2) a dependent **variable**

Rainfall in the tropics is highly **variable**.

row

n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line

synonym: line, sequence, layer

(1) criminal on death **row**, (2) a **row** of cherry trees

He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front **row**.

typewriter

n. a mechanical device used for writing, consisting of type keys that, when pressed, imprint ink onto paper or other writing material, mainly used before modern computers, printers, and word processors took over

(1) **typewriter** keys, (2) electronic **typewriter**

I found an old **typewriter** at a thrift store and used it to write my novel.

skip

v. to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally

do

synonym : bounce, spring, neglect

(1) **skip** across the country, (2) **skip** breakfast

We **skipped** the topic because it was too complicated.

complicated

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

synonym : complex, convoluted, intricate

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

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

reverse

v. to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

synonym : overturn, shift, switch

(1) **reverse** the trend, (2) **reverse** the order

The restaurant **reversed** a ban on smoking.

loop

n. a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself

synonym : circle, curl, spiral

(1) exit from a **loop**, (2) positive feedback **loop**

Many people in this city use the **loop** railway for transportation.

drawback

n. a disadvantage or inconvenience that makes something less attractive

synonym : disadvantage, defect, weakness

(1) the **drawback** of his method, (2) one of the main **drawbacks**

He pointed out all the **drawbacks** to our plan.

logic

n. a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

synonym : reasoning, reason, ratiocination

(1) an indisputable **logic**, (2) a demonstration in **logic**

There's no **logic** in his description.

instruct

v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

synonym : train, coach, guide

(1) **instruct** a student, (2) **instruct** a computer

The facility manager **instructed** the security guards to be on high alert.

consistent

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

synonym : coherent, constant, compatible

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

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

insight

n. the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

synonym : wisdom, discernment, understanding

(1) a profound **insight**, (2) share my **insights**

We gained various **insights** by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

concentric

adj. having a common center, with circles or spheres that share a common center point; having shapes or forms that are aligned or nested within one another

synonym : homocentric, nested, circular

(1) **concentric** design, (2) **concentric** shades of color

Concentric circles surrounded the target on the shooting range.

alter

v. to cause to change or make different

synonym : change, vary, adjust

(1) **alter** a decision, (2) **alter** data in a file

The design of the webpage has **altered** slightly.

nest

n. a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young

synonym : roost, perch, burrow

(1) bird's **nest**, (2) a **nest** of thieves

The female birds build a **nest** and lay their eggs in May.

transition

n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

synonym : change, growth, shift

(1) **transition** phase, (2) ensure a smooth **transition**

The nation's healthcare system is in **transition** at the moment.

outermost

adj. farthest from the center or the inside; located on or relating to the outer part or surface of something

synonym : outer, extreme, farthest

(1) **outermost** boundary, (2) **outermost** shell

The **outermost** layer of the planet's atmosphere is extremely thin.

minus

adj. subtracting or taking away; having a value less than zero

synonym : without, lacking, negative

(1) **minus** sign, (2) **minus** temperature

The recipe calls for four cups of flour **minus** one tablespoon.

spiral

n. a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around

synonym : coil, helix, twist

(1) **spiral** staircase, (2) **spiral** design

The leaves of the fern were arranged in a **spiral** pattern.

simplicity

n. the quality or condition of being natural and plain or easy to understand or do

synonym : easiness, plainness, modesty

(1) a life of **simplicity**, (2) refined **simplicity**
He liked the car because of the **simplicity** of the design.

reuse

v. to use something again or more than once
synonym: reprocess, recycle, rehash

(1) **reuse** the materials, (2) **reuse** existing knowledge
The supermarket encourages shoppers to **reuse** plastic bags.

advantage

n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
synonym: benefit, edge, asset

(1) score an **advantage**, (2) take **advantage** of his weak points
One of the main **advantages** of the new product is its increased efficiency.

adapt

v. to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
synonym: adjust, acclimate, accustom

(1) **adapt** fully to the environment, (2) **adapt** as needed
I advised him to **adapt** to his new surroundings.

sake

n. purpose; reason for wanting something done
synonym: purpose, reason, interest

(1) for your own **sake**, (2) for the **sake** of argument
He got a new job for the **sake** of his family.

anguish

n. severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony
synonym: distress, torment, agony

(1) **anguish** and pain, (2) emotional **anguish**
She suffered from a deep sense of **anguish** following the loss of her loved one.

calm

adj. not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves

synonym: quiet, peaceful, tranquility

(1) **calm** sea, (2) **calm** manner

It was the first time in a long time that I felt truly **calm** and at peace.

agitated

adj. characterized by a state of anxiety, nervous excitement, or restlessness; stirred up or disturbed in a physical or emotional way

synonym: nervous, troubled, restless

(1) **agitated** state, (2) **agitated** behavior

The **agitated** dog kept barking at the door, wanting to go outside.

depth

n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

synonym: deepness, profoundness, extent

(1) **depth** camera, (2) the **depth** of the water

The pond's **depth** was around five feet.

gorge

n. a deep narrow valley between hills or mountains, usually with steep sides and a river running through it

synonym: canyon, gully, ravine

(1) cast the **gorge**, (2) the **gorges** of the Yangtse River

We must pass through the narrow **gorge** with a stream running through it.

Session 2: Spelling

1. snip at a he__e *n.* a fence formed by a line of bushes or shrubs; (verb) limit or avoid something such as duties, issues, and questions by conditions or exceptions
2. sp___l design *n.* a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around
3. s__r a sauce *v.* to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused
4. a demonstration in lo__c *n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
5. re__e the materials *v.* to use something again or more than once
6. bird's n__t *n.* a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young
7. re_____r a loss *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
8. fu_____l a lifetime dream *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
9. ma_____n error *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
10. ab_____n the practice *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

ANSWERS: 1. hedge, 2. spiral, 3. stir, 4. logic, 5. reuse, 6. nest, 7. recover, 8. fulfill, 9. margin, 10. abandon

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| 11. one of the main dr_____cks | <i>n.</i> | a disadvantage or inconvenience that makes something less attractive |
| 12. take ad_____ge of his weak points | <i>n.</i> | a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has |
| 13. com_____te well with my advisor | <i>v.</i> | to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals |
| 14. pr_____s improvement | <i>n.</i> | a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products |
| 15. crack of d__n | <i>n.</i> | the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky |
| 16. ensure a smooth tra_____on | <i>n.</i> | the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another |
| 17. lo___e a tumor | <i>v.</i> | to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something |
| 18. ga_____on troops | <i>n.</i> | a group of soldiers stationed to defend a town or fort |
| 19. helpful h__ts | <i>n.</i> | an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something |
| 20. violate a sa_____ry | <i>n.</i> | a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse |

ANSWERS: 11. drawback, 12. advantage, 13. communicate, 14. process, 15. dawn, 16. transition, 17. locate, 18. garrison, 19. hint, 20. sanctuary

21. a profound in_____t *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
22. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
23. n_d courteously *v.* to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation
24. the go__es of the Yangtse River *n.* a deep narrow valley between hills or mountains, usually with steep sides and a river running through it
25. bl__e circumstances for the failure *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
26. de___e the wall with graffiti *v.* to mar or spoil the surface or appearance of something, typically by drawing or writing on it
27. s__m margin *adj.* having a slender or thin build, often by design or effort; of small size, amount, or margin; reduced or limited
28. a profit ma___n *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

ANSWERS: 21. insight, 22. process, 23. nod, 24. gorge, 25. blame, 26. deface, 27. slim, 28. margin

29. the de__h of the water *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
30. bl__e the lack of knowledge *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
31. cut dia_____ly *adv.* in an oblique or slanted direction or manner; at an angle between horizontal and vertical
32. de___e private property *v.* to mar or spoil the surface or appearance of something, typically by drawing or writing on it
33. for the s__e of argument *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
34. blank ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
35. electronic typ_____er *n.* a mechanical device used for writing, consisting of type keys that, when pressed, imprint ink onto paper or other writing material, mainly used before modern computers, printers, and word processors took over
36. do on a con_____nt basis *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
37. re_____e the order *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

ANSWERS: 29. depth, 30. blame, 31. diagonally, 32. deface, 33. sake, 34. canvas, 35. typewriter, 36. consistent, 37. reverse

38. individual ins_____on *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
39. ag_____ed behavior *adj.* characterized by a state of anxiety, nervous excitement, or restlessness; stirred up or disturbed in a physical or emotional way
40. s__r up controversy *v.* to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused
41. paleolithic ar_____cts *n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
42. s__m chances *adj.* having a slender or thin build, often by design or effort; of small size, amount, or margin; reduced or limited
43. pi__l density *n.* the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image
44. ou_____st boundary *adj.* farthest from the center or the inside; located on or relating to the outer part or surface of something
45. ex_____t a great talent *v.* to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information
46. clear in_____on *n.* something you want to do and are going to do
47. ad_____e kids with attitude *v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

ANSWERS: 38. instruction, 39. agitated, 40. stir, 41. artifact, 42. slim, 43. pixel, 44. outermost, 45. exhibit, 46. intention, 47. admire

48. a n__t of thieves *n.* a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young
49. s__p across the country *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
50. th__t enemy plans *v.* to prevent something from happening or succeeding
51. cr__t arts of Japan *n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
52. an animal sa_____ry *n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
53. th__t attempts *v.* to prevent something from happening or succeeding
54. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
55. the dr_____ck of his method *n.* a disadvantage or inconvenience that makes something less attractive
56. Peruvian ar_____cts *n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
57. de__d against a threat *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
58. oil on ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
59. de__h camera *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

ANSWERS: 48. nest, 49. skip, 50. thwart, 51. craft, 52. sanctuary, 53. thwart, 54. communicate, 55. drawback, 56. artifact, 57. defend, 58. canvas, 59. depth

60. lo___e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
61. follow his ins_____ons *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
62. re_____e the trend *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
63. c__m sea *adj.* not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves
64. a r_w of cherry trees *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line
65. share my in_____ts *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
66. exit from a l__p *n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
67. re__e existing knowledge *v.* to use something again or more than once
68. an indisputable lo__c *n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
69. sp_____ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

ANSWERS: 60. locate, 61. instruction, 62. reverse, 63. calm, 64. row, 65. insight, 66. loop, 67. reuse, 68. logic, 69. specific

70. in_____ct a computer *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
71. ad__t as needed *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
72. moral et__c *n.* a set of moral or philosophical principles or values that guide the behavior or actions of an individual, group, or society; the study or inquiry into the nature of morality and moral systems
73. re_____nt tax *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
74. in an o_d way *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
75. outdoor adv_____ers *n.* a person who enjoys or seeks dangerous and exciting experiences
76. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
77. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
78. a re_____nt of the city *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
79. re_____r approval ratings *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
80. a po_____it painter *n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
81. n_d at each other *v.* to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation

ANSWERS: 70. instruct, 71. adapt, 72. ethic, 73. resident, 74. odd, 75. adventurer, 76. fortunate, 77. complicated, 78. resident, 79. recover, 80. portrait, 81. nod

82. an____h and pain *n.* severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony
83. cr__t manufacture *n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
84. mi__s temperature *adj.* subtracting or taking away; having a value less than zero
85. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
86. pa__e a moment *v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
87. si_____te climate change *v.* to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes
88. get con_____nt results *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
89. va_____sm at shrines *n.* the willful and malicious destruction or defacement of property that belongs to another person or the public; the act of deliberately causing damage or harm to something valuable or meaningful
90. b_t detection *n.* a computer program or software application that is capable of performing automated tasks, often on the internet; a type of electronic device that provides autonomous service or assistance to users

ANSWERS: 82. anguish, 83. craft, 84. minus, 85. complicated, 86. pause, 87. simulate, 88. consistent, 89. vandalism, 90. bot

91. c__m manner *adj.* not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves
92. tra_____on phase *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
93. emotional an_____h *n.* severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony
94. set a t__p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
95. di_____ct attention from the real issue *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
96. di_____ct public opinion *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
97. ra___e trail *n.* a deep, narrow gorge or valley with steep sides, often carved by the flow of water or a landslide
98. for your own s__e *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
99. fu_____l a contract *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
100. criminal on death r_w *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line
101. typ_____er keys *n.* a mechanical device used for writing, consisting of type keys that, when pressed, imprint ink onto paper or other writing material, mainly used before modern computers, printers, and word processors took over

ANSWERS: 91. calm, 92. transition, 93. anguish, 94. trap, 95. distract, 96. distract, 97. ravine, 98. sake, 99. fulfill, 100. row, 101. typewriter

102. ex_____t a bad attitude *v.* to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information
103. daredevil adv_____er *n.* a person who enjoys or seeks dangerous and exciting experiences
104. ad___e the subtlety of the distinctions *v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
105. cast the go___e *n.* a deep narrow valley between hills or mountains, usually with steep sides and a river running through it
106. h__t of trouble *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
107. reinforce a ga_____on *n.* a group of soldiers stationed to defend a town or fort
108. sp___l staircase *n.* a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around
109. the wan light of d___n *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
110. ag_____ed state *adj.* characterized by a state of anxiety, nervous excitement, or restlessness; stirred up or disturbed in a physical or emotional way
111. a dependent va_____le *adj.* likely to change or vary often; (noun) a symbol, like x or y, that is used in mathematical or logical expressions to represent a value that may be changed
112. st_____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

ANSWERS: 102. exhibit, 103. adventurer, 104. admire, 105. gorge, 106. hint, 107. garrison, 108. spiral, 109. dawn, 110. agitated, 111. variable, 112. strength

113. o_d behavior *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
114. professional et__c *n.* a set of moral or philosophical principles or values that guide the behavior or actions of an individual, group, or society; the study or inquiry into the nature of morality and moral systems
115. al__r a decision *v.* to cause to change or make different
116. less fo_____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
117. the to__r on a cliff *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
118. ad__t fully to the environment *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
119. spam b_t *n.* a computer program or software application that is capable of performing automated tasks, often on the internet; a type of electronic device that provides autonomous service or assistance to users
120. a va_____le species *adj.* likely to change or vary often; (noun) a symbol, like x or y, that is used in mathematical or logical expressions to represent a value that may be changed
121. dia_____ly opposite *adv.* in an oblique or slanted direction or manner; at an angle between horizontal and vertical
122. con_____ic shades of color *adj.* having a common center, with circles or spheres that share a common center point; having shapes or forms that are aligned or nested within one another

ANSWERS: 113. odd, 114. ethic, 115. alter, 116. fortunate, 117. tower, 118. adapt, 119. bot, 120. variable, 121. diagonally, 122. concentric

123. cyber va_____sm *n.* the willful and malicious destruction or defacement of property that belongs to another person or the public; the act of deliberately causing damage or harm to something valuable or meaningful
124. a co___y of bacteria *n.* a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away
125. po_____it of a well-known figure *n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
126. refined sim_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being natural and plain or easy to understand or do
127. ab_____n a friend *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
128. mi__s sign *adj.* subtracting or taking away; having a value less than zero
129. he__e fund firm *n.* a fence formed by a line of bushes or shrubs; (verb) limit or avoid something such as duties, issues, and questions by conditions or exceptions
130. ou_____st shell *adj.* farthest from the center or the inside; located on or relating to the outer part or surface of something
131. muscular st_____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
132. a g__d design *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

ANSWERS: 123. vandalism, 124. colony, 125. portrait, 126. simplicity, 127. abandon, 128. minus, 129. hedge, 130. outermost, 131. strength, 132. grid

133. t__p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
134. con_____ic design *adj.* having a common center, with circles or spheres that share a common center point; having shapes or forms that are aligned or nested within one another
135. steep ra___e *n.* a deep, narrow gorge or valley with steep sides, often carved by the flow of water or a landslide
136. si_____te a future scenario *v.* to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes
137. de___d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
138. in_____on behind his decision *n.* something you want to do and are going to do
139. industry-sp_____ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
140. positive feedback l__p *n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
141. a bell to__r *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

ANSWERS: 133. trap, 134. concentric, 135. ravine, 136. simulate, 137. defend, 138. intention, 139. specific, 140. loop, 141. tower

142. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
143. plant a co___y *n.* a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away
144. mental fle_____ty *n.* the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations
145. color pi__ls *n.* the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image
146. the fle_____ty of the body *n.* the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations
147. score an ad_____ge *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
148. a life of sim_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being natural and plain or easy to understand or do
149. s__p breakfast *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
150. a wire g__d *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

ANSWERS: 142. degree, 143. colony, 144. flexibility, 145. pixel, 146. flexibility, 147. advantage, 148. simplicity, 149. skip, 150. grid

151. pa__e for a reaction *v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
152. al__r data in a file *v.* to cause to change or make different
153. bachelor's de___e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
154. in____ct a student *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

ANSWERS: 151. pause, 152. alter, 153. degree, 154. instruct

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The best way to _____ financial risks is to diversify your portfolio.
n. a fence formed by a line of bushes or shrubs; (verb) limit or avoid something such as duties, issues, and questions by conditions or exceptions
2. The nation's healthcare system is in _____ at the moment.
n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
3. Having a strong work _____ is important for success in any field.
n. a set of moral or philosophical principles or values that guide the behavior or actions of an individual, group, or society; the study or inquiry into the nature of morality and moral systems
4. It was the first time in a long time that I felt truly _____ and at peace.
adj. not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves
5. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.
adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
6. The enemy fell right into the _____.
n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
7. We dealt with those problems with speed and _____.
n. the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations

ANSWERS: 1. hedge, 2. transition, 3. ethic, 4. calm, 5. complicated, 6. trap, 7. flexibility

8. Missile assaults on the capital continued around _____.
n. the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
9. He liked the car because of the _____ of the design.
n. the quality or condition of being natural and plain or easy to understand or do
10. The recipe calls for four cups of flour _____ one tablespoon.
adj. subtracting or taking away; having a value less than zero
11. The man _____ before opening the door.
v. to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
12. I advised him to _____ to his new surroundings.
v. to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
13. The facility manager _____ the security guards to be on high alert.
v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
14. Topics related to that war may _____ up a political hornets' nest.
v. to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused
15. The female birds build a _____ and lay their eggs in May.
n. a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young
16. The _____ layer of the planet's atmosphere is extremely thin.
adj. farthest from the center or the inside; located on or relating to the outer part or surface of something

ANSWERS: 8. dawn, 9. simplicity, 10. minus, 11. paused, 12. adapt, 13. instructed, 14. stir, 15. nest, 16. outermost

17. Unfortunately, the book's _____ was too small to make notes.
- n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
18. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.
- adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
19. The hiker fell into a _____ and had to be rescued by a helicopter.
- n.* a deep, narrow gorge or valley with steep sides, often carved by the flow of water or a landslide
20. Other technology industries _____ similarly explosive growth.
- v.* to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information
21. The _____ laptop was easy to carry around and perfect for travel.
- adj.* having a slender or thin build, often by design or effort; of small size, amount, or margin; reduced or limited
22. I walked _____ across the field to reach the other side faster.
- adv.* in an oblique or slanted direction or manner; at an angle between horizontal and vertical
23. The ocean _____ holds the record for the oldest solo Pacific Ocean crossing by a sailboat.
- n.* a person who enjoys or seeks dangerous and exciting experiences
24. It was the first time for her, but she _____ the role of Priest.
- v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

ANSWERS: 17. margin, 18. specific, 19. ravine, 20. exhibit, 21. slim, 22. diagonally, 23. adventurer, 24. fulfilled

25. Please don't _____ me while I'm studying.
v. to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
26. She suffered from a deep sense of _____ following the loss of her loved one.
n. severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony
27. International law allows each nation to _____ itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.
v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
28. We gained various _____ by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.
n. the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
29. We _____ the topic because it was too complicated.
v. to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
30. You are not _____ in your behavior.
adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
31. His grandfather was an ____ man.
adj. strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
32. A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's _____.
n. a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face

ANSWERS: 25. distract, 26. anguish, 27. defend, 28. insights, 29. skipped, 30. consistent, 31. odd, 32. portrait

33. One of the main _____ of the new product is its increased efficiency.
- n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
34. The museum has a vast collection of Greek _____.
- n.* a person-made object, especially one of historical or cultural interest
35. He had painted the wood to _____ stone.
- v.* to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes
36. They formed a vast _____ to withstand an assault.
- n.* a group of soldiers stationed to defend a town or fort
37. The _____ dog kept barking at the door, wanting to go outside.
- adj.* characterized by a state of anxiety, nervous excitement, or restlessness; stirred up or disturbed in a physical or emotional way
38. I found an old _____ at a thrift store and used it to write my novel.
- n.* a mechanical device used for writing, consisting of type keys that, when pressed, imprint ink onto paper or other writing material, mainly used before modern computers, printers, and word processors took over
39. _____ pattern roads often appear in urban areas.
- n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
40. The computer screen comprises thousands of tiny _____ that create the overall picture.
- n.* the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image

ANSWERS: 33. advantages, 34. artifacts, 35. simulate, 36. garrison, 37. agitated, 38. typewriter, 39. Grid, 40. pixels

41. _____ circles surrounded the target on the shooting range.
adj. having a common center, with circles or spheres that share a common center point; having shapes or forms that are aligned or nested within one another
42. The graffiti on the wall was an act of _____ that caused damage to public property.
n. the willful and malicious destruction or defacement of property that belongs to another person or the public; the act of deliberately causing damage or harm to something valuable or meaningful
43. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.
v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
44. We must pass through the narrow _____ with a stream running through it.
n. a deep narrow valley between hills or mountains, usually with steep sides and a river running through it
45. The pond's _____ was around five feet.
n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
46. His hometown was where he first acquired the _____ of wood carving.
n. an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
47. There's no _____ in his description.
n. a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
48. She is still _____ from a shot to her shoulder.
v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

ANSWERS: 41. Concentric, 42. vandalism, 43. communicate, 44. gorge, 45. depth, 46. craft, 47. logic, 48. recovering

49. The teacher warned the boys not to _____ public property.
v. to mar or spoil the surface or appearance of something, typically by drawing or writing on it
50. He got a new job for the _____ of his family.
n. purpose; reason for wanting something done
51. There was no _____ of a problem.
n. an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
52. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.
n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
53. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
54. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
55. The supermarket encourages shoppers to _____ plastic bags.
v. to use something again or more than once
56. Visa renewal for _____ foreigners in this country is once every five years.
n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
57. He _____ the thief's attempt to steal the painting.
v. to prevent something from happening or succeeding

ANSWERS: 49. deface, 50. sake, 51. hint, 52. strength, 53. process, 54. locate, 55. reuse, 56. resident, 57. thwarted

58. He pointed out all the _____ to our plan.

n. a disadvantage or inconvenience that makes something less attractive

59. The translation ____ helped me translate a website from another country.

n. a computer program or software application that is capable of performing automated tasks, often on the internet; a type of electronic device that provides autonomous service or assistance to users

60. The church offered _____ to refugees fleeing from war-torn countries.

n. a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse

61. We all _____ him because he is a nobleman.

v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

62. The _____ declared its independence and became a republic.

n. a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away

63. The restaurant _____ a ban on smoking.

v. to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

64. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.

adj. having good luck or lucky

65. They needed further _____ to perform their duties efficiently.

n. detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something

ANSWERS: 58. drawbacks, 59. bot, 60. sanctuary, 61. admire, 62. colony, 63. reversed, 64. fortunate, 65. instruction

66. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.
- n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
67. The leaves of the fern were arranged in a _____ pattern.
- n.* a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around
68. We _____ our impeded progress on lack of money.
- v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
69. Our CEO's _____ are always transparent and straightforward.
- n.* something you want to do and are going to do
70. She is a _____ of strength for our team in trouble.
- n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
71. Life is a vast _____ you should put as much paint on it as possible.
- n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
72. She _____ quietly in response to the question.
- v.* to lower and raise one's head, sometimes several times, as to show approval, agreement, greeting, or confirmation
73. Rainfall in the tropics is highly _____.
- adj.* likely to change or vary often; (noun) a symbol, like x or y, that is used in mathematical or logical expressions to represent a value that may be changed

ANSWERS: 66. degree, 67. spiral, 68. blamed, 69. intentions, 70. tower, 71. canvas;, 72. nodded, 73. variable

74. He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front ____.

n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line

75. Many people in this city use the ____ railway for transportation.

n. a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself

76. The castle was _____ several years later.

v. to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

77. The design of the webpage has _____ slightly.

v. to cause to change or make different

ANSWERS: 74. row, 75. loop, 76. abandoned, 77. altered