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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### phrase

*n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together

*synonym*: expression, idiom, term

(1) ready-made **phrases**, (2) noun **phrase**

We bought a Spanish **phrase** book.

### basis

*n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

*synonym*: foundation, base, ground

(1) on an equal **basis**, (2) **basis** for calculation

This evidence will form the **basis** for our discussion.

### imperfectly

*adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way

*synonym*: amiss, insufficiently, clumsily

(1) **imperfectly** developed, (2) **imperfectly** known disease

He created an **imperfectly** shaped torso.

### progression

*n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

*synonym*: advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease

The company has made great strides in its **progression**

toward sustainability.

## wreckage

*n.* the remains of something that has been destroyed, ruined, severely damaged, or crashed, usually referring to vehicles, buildings, or machinery

*synonym*: debris, remains, demolition

(1) **wreckage** recovery, (2) ship **wreckage**

The **wreckage** of the plane was scattered across the field after the crash.

## invention

*n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

*synonym*: creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

## 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.

## worldview

*n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world

*synonym*: perspective, position, viewpoint

(1) mainstream **worldview**, (2) the **worldview** of the ancient civilization

The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing **worldviews**.

## accelerate

*v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly

*synonym*: speed up, quicken, rev

(1) **accelerate** a chemical reaction, (2) **accelerate** the car

The government tried to **accelerate** the commercialization of

this development.

## pace

*n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

*synonym*: gait, rate, speed

(1) at your own **pace**, (2) the runner's **pace**

The economy is growing at a supercharged **pace**.

## responsible

*adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

*synonym*: accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

## 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.

## employee

*n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

*synonym*: worker, staff, personnel

(1) **employee** benefits, (2) **employee** evaluation

The **employee** handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

## shareholder

*n.* a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company

*synonym*: stockholder, shareowner, investor

(1) the **shareholder's** meeting, (2) gain **shareholder** approval

Our company is committed to increasing **shareholder** value.

## playbook

*n.* a set of strategies or tactics used in a particular situation, often in a business or political context; a guidebook or manual that outlines a specific plan of action

*synonym* : strategy, game plan, manual

(1) **playbook** strategy, (2) political **playbook**

The coach's **playbook** helped the team win the championship.

## struggle

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

*synonym* : toil, strive, compete

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

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

## invite

*v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

*synonym* : ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism

We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

## imaginary

*adj.* existing only in someone's mind

*synonym* : fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

## agenda

*n.* a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered

*synonym* : program, schedule, list

(1) **agenda** setting, (2) ambitious **agenda**

The **agenda** for the meeting includes discussions on the budget and new project proposals.

## 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.

## consent

*n.* permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority

*synonym* : approval, authorization, concession

(1) **consent** for surgery, (2) give silent **consent**

She gave her **consent** to the company's proposal.

## 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.

## cofounder

*n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

(1) **cofounder** of the university, (2) late **cofounder**

He is the **cofounder** and chairman of this tech company.

## rap

*n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

*synonym* : hip-hop, emceeing, MCing

(1) **rap** music, (2) get a **rap**

The new **rap** album is getting a lot of attention.

## renewal

*n.* the process of making something new or active again; the act of renewing a subscription, license, etc.

*synonym* : rejuvenation, revival, refreshment

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

The city is undergoing a **renewal** project that will transform

the downtown area.

## overconfidence

*n.* excessive trust or faith in one's abilities, judgments, or decisions, often leading to mistaken assumptions or risky behavior

*synonym*: overestimation, hubris, arrogance

(1) **overconfidence** bias, (2) false **overconfidence**

The student's **overconfidence** in their writing abilities caused them not to bother to proofread their essay, resulting in a poor grades.

## diagnose

*v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis

*synonym*: identify, analyze, interpret

(1) **diagnose** the problem, (2) **diagnose** with CT scans

This device is used to **diagnose** brain cancer and other tumors.

## investor

*n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

*synonym*: financier, banker, stockholder

(1) **investor** lawsuit, (2) a real estate **investor**

Institutional **investors** refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.

## entitle

*v.* to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something

*synonym*: allow, permit, enable

(1) **entitle** him to a pension, (2) **entitle** the company to use the logo

The employee was **entitled** to a week of vacation time.

## mad

*adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

*synonym*: crazy, insane, furious

(1) a **mad** person, (2) gets **mad** easily

He was **mad** with joy to see the results.

## curiosity

*n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something  
*synonym* : interest, inquisitiveness, novelty

(1) boundless **curiosity**, (2) satisfy my intellectual **curiosity**  
We are motivated by **curiosity** rather than necessity.

## obvious

*adj.* easy to see, discover or understand  
*synonym* : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**  
There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

## infrequent

*adj.* occurring rarely or irregularly; happening at long intervals; not happening often or in large numbers  
*synonym* : rare, sporadic, uncommon

(1) **infrequent** showers, (2) **infrequent** meetings  
Traveling to remote villages can be difficult due to **infrequent** transportation.

## stake

*n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something  
*synonym* : share, interest, post

(1) execution by burning at a **stake**, (2) buy the company's **stake**  
The **stake** of the company is too high nowadays.

## normally

*adv.* usually; under normal conditions  
*synonym* : commonly, generally, naturally

(1) complete **normally**, (2) not **normally** drink much  
I don't **normally** take a vacation in the middle of summer.

## polite

*adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior  
*synonym* : courteous, civil, respectful

(1) **polite** manners, (2) **polite** tone

It's important to be **polite** even when you disagree with someone.

## **courage**

*n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

*synonym* : bravery, valor, fearlessness

(1) mental **courage**, (2) inspire **courage**

It takes a lot of **courage** to stand up for what you believe is right.

## **presumptuous**

*adj.* excessively bold or forward; taking liberties beyond what is appropriate or socially acceptable

*synonym* : arrogant, overconfident, presuming

(1) **presumptuous** behavior, (2) **presumptuous** attitude

It was **presumptuous** of him to assume he would be hired for the job without submitting a resume.

## **suspect**

*v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable

*synonym* : assume, distrust, surmise

(1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick

The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

## **approve**

*v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.

*synonym* : accept, authorize, agree

(1) **approve** a measure, (2) unanimously **approve** a resolution

My boss wouldn't **approve** of the plan.

## **conversation**

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

*synonym* : chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.



**pet** *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly  
(1) a **pet** bird, (2) a teacher's **pet**  
I have a parrot as a **pet**.

**brave** *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity  
*synonym*: courageous, valiant, heroic  
(1) **brave** soldier, (2) **brave** decision  
The **brave** firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

**rev** *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute  
*synonym*: revolution, RPM, speed  
(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd  
He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

**entirely** *adv.* completely  
*synonym*: completely, fully, totally  
(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame  
Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

**structure** *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts  
*synonym*: construction, architecture, establishment  
(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of the brain  
The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

## discovery

*n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

*synonym* : finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

## contract

*n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

*synonym* : agreement, deal, arrangement

(1) employment **contract**, (2) **contract** law

The company signed a **contract** with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

## spitball

*n.* a small ball made from chewing gum or paper and moistened with saliva, typically thrown as a prank or in a playful manner; (verb) brainstorm or throw out ideas, often in a casual or non-committal manner

*synonym* : paper ball, chewed paper, spit wad

(1) fling a **spitball**, (2) **spitball** ideas

The teacher caught the student making a **spitball** gun in the back of the classroom.

## relation

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

*synonym* : association, linkage, connection

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

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

## experiment

*n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

*synonym* : experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

## strengthen

*v.* to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective

*synonym*: reinforce, harden, boost

(1) **strengthen** the immune system, (2) **strengthen** a border patrol

Difficulties **strengthen** the mind, as labor does the body.

## distinct

*adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type

*synonym*: different, special, characteristic

(1) **distinct** difference, (2) **distinct** from each other

It is essential to keep these two issues **distinct**.

## elusive

*adj.* difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember

*synonym*: mysterious, ambiguous, inapproachable

(1) an **elusive** criminal, (2) track down an **elusive** fact

The physicist who found the **elusive** particle won the Nobel Prize.

## fantasy

*n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen

*synonym*: fiction, illusion, fabrication

(1) **fantasy** novel, (2) confuse **fantasy** with reality

Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a **fantasy**.

## creature

*n.* a living being, especially an animal

*synonym*: being, animal, organism

(1) **creature** of habit, (2) artificial **creature**

The deep sea **creature** was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

## spot

*n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

*synonym*: dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor  
This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

## lens

*n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

*synonym*: glass

(1) a convex **lens**, (2) a **lens** with a wide angle  
The photographer took this photo using a telephoto **lens**.

## prompt

*v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen

*synonym*: actuate, inspire, incite

(1) **prompt** a feeling of hunger, (2) **prompt** a debate  
That incident **prompted** a nationwide chain reaction regarding the crackdown on illegal groups.

## 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.

## unintended

*adj.* not planned or meant

*synonym*: accidental, unconsenting, involuntary

(1) **unintended** bias, (2) **unintended** misunderstanding  
Excessive human interference in the global environment may bring **unintended** consequences.

## probable

*adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true

*synonym*: likely, possible, potential

(1) **probable** outcome, (2) **probable** cause of a fire  
It seems **probable** that he has forgotten our scheduled

meeting.

## 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.

## inevitable

*adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable

*synonym*: inescapable, unavoidable, sure

(1) **inevitable** changes of the seasons, (2) **inevitable** result

In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is **inevitable**.

## unavoidable

*adj.* impossible to avoid or evade; inevitable

*synonym*: inevitable, inescapable, certain

(1) an **unavoidable** accident, (2) under **unavoidable** circumstances

There are now fears that war is **unavoidable**.

## sandbox

*n.* an outdoor play area for children consisting of a box filled with sand; a virtual testing environment used for software development or security testing

*synonym*: playpen, sandpit, box

(1) **sandbox** approach, (2) virtual **sandbox**

The children played in the **sandbox** for hours, building sandcastles and digging tunnels.

## permit

*v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization

*synonym*: allow, authorize, concede

(1) **permit** application, (2) work **permit**

The teacher will not **permit** any students to leave the classroom early.

## beverage

*n.* a drink of any type

*synonym*: drink, libation, liquid

(1) food and **beverage**, (2) alcoholic **beverages**

Bring a snack or **beverage** to satisfy your appetite.

## definitely

*adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

*synonym*: absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**

The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

## straight

*adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

*synonym*: linear, honest, consecutive

(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months

He was sick for five **straight** days.

## contrary

*n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired

*synonym*: opposing, contradictory, conflicting

(1) the clear **contrary**, (2) **contrary** evidence

The two sides argued their points, but the judge ultimately sided with the **contrary** viewpoint.

## gorgeous

*adj.* wonderful and attractive

*synonym*: beautiful, stunning, attractive

(1) a **gorgeous** meal, (2) **gorgeous** sunset

She wore a **gorgeous** dress to the party, which everyone admired.

## dimension

*n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

*synonym*: extent, measurement, size

(1) new **dimension**, (2) the crosswise **dimension**

Overall **dimensions** are approximately 400x200mm.

## unstoppable

*adj.* impossible to stop or prevent

*synonym*: unshakable, unyielding, relentless

(1) **unstoppable** force, (2) **unstoppable** momentum  
The team's winning streak was **unstoppable**.

## storytelling

*n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories  
*synonym*: narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**  
She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

## script

*n.* a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand  
*synonym*: writing, penmanship, article

(1) a hand **script**, (2) the **script** of a play  
The archaeologist found a hieratic Egyptian **script** on a stone monument.

## 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.

## crisis

*n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken  
*synonym*: concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management  
The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

## all-hands

*adj.* involving or including all members of a group or organization; a meeting or event where all members are expected to attend and participate  
*synonym*: company-wide, team-wide, whole-staff

(1) **all-hands** email, (2) **all-hands** approach

Our company is having an **all-hands** meeting to discuss the new project next week.

## committed

*adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

*synonym*: devoted, faithful, attached

(1) in a **committed** relationship, (2) strong and **committed** sales staff

Our company is strongly **committed** to meeting customers' needs.

## retain

*v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something

*synonym*: possess, hold, keep on

(1) **retain** information, (2) **retain** a lawyer

Computers help people **retain** specific memories.

## thunderous

*adj.* producing or accompanied by a loud, deep, rumbling sound, like that of thunder; intense, forceful, or impressive

*synonym*: thundering, booming, loud

(1) **thunderous** roar, (2) **thunderous** noise

The **thunderous** applause lasted for several minutes after the performance.

## applause

*n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together

*synonym*: clapping, cheering, acclaim

(1) round of **applause**, (2) earn **applause**

The **applause** burst from the audience.

## relief

*n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

*synonym*: remedy, consolation, alleviation

(1) tax **relief**, (2) sigh of **relief**

He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian **relief** fund.



## ovation

*n.* a sustained and enthusiastic show of appreciation, usually given in the form of applause, for something or someone that is admired or respected

*synonym* : applause, accolade, praise

(1) standing **ovation**, (2) spontaneous **ovation**

The singer received an **ovation** from the crowd after her performance.

## predecessor

*n.* a person who held a position or office before the current holder

*synonym* : antecedent, forerunner, precursor

(1) the words of a **predecessor**, (2) **predecessor** model

The new CEO is the **predecessor** of the former CEO.

## 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.

## grace

*n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal

*synonym* : charm, poise, elegance

(1) say a **grace**, (2) end of the **grace** period

The old oak tree stood with **grace** and majesty in the park's center.

## extraordinary

*adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

*synonym* : exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

(1) **extraordinary** ability, (2) **extraordinary** weather

He narrated the **extraordinary** story of his adventure.

## uncertain

*adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose  
*synonym* : doubtful, skeptical, pending

(1) numerous **uncertain** factors, (2) take an **uncertain** attitude

She was **uncertain** about her friend's intentions.

## savior

*n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth

*synonym* : hero, rescuer, redeemer

(1) political **savior**, (2) pray to the **savior**

The guru of that religion thought of himself as a **savior**.

## honor

*n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality;  
*(verb)* to show respect towards someone

*synonym* : integrity, virtue, acclaim

(1) womanly **honor**, (2) **honor** our ancestors

I claim on my **honor** that it is true.

## 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.

## fin

*n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

*synonym* : flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

## vivid

*adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind

*synonym* : intense, powerful, dazzling

(1) **vivid** colors, (2) still **vivid** in my memory

She made a **vivid** impression.

## 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.

## payoff

*n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk

*synonym* : reward, compensation, return

(1) financial **payoff**, (2) emotional **payoff**

The **payoff** for all my hard work was finally getting a promotion.

## urgency

*n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately

*synonym* : importance, importunity, urging

(1) **urgency** in the use of force, (2) matter of **urgency**

She departed hurriedly because of some significant **urgency** in their affairs.

## release

*v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

*synonym* : free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

## administer

*v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

*synonym* : allocate, distribute, dispense

(1) **administer** justice, (2) **administer** the funds

After the accident, three governmental bodies **administer** the company.

## hurdle

*n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome  
*synonym*: obstacle, barrier, challenge

(1) overcome **hurdles**, (2) **hurdle** race

The company faced several **hurdles** in the development of its new product.

## unproductive

*adj.* not producing or able to produce very much or desired results

*synonym*: fruitless, ineffective, idle

(1) in an **unproductive** manner, (2) **unproductive** industries

The negotiations between labor and management were **unproductive**.

## 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.

## strip

*v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

*synonym*: deprive, undress, (noun) ribbon

(1) **strip** a tire off, (2) coast **strip**

The doctor advised him to **strip** down for a check.

## refuse

*v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something  
*synonym*: turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

## 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

## optimal

*adj.* the best; most likely to be successful or advantageous

*synonym*: optimum, desirable, favorable

(1) achieve **optimal** health, (2) **optimal** for intellectual growth

Wild animals need to go forward with the **optimal** action to survive.

## congratulation

*n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

*synonym*: praise, compliment, felicitation

(1) **congratulation** on a promotion, (2) a matter for **congratulation**

The **congratulations** from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.

## 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.

## essential

*adj.* indispensable; fundamental

*synonym*: critical, crucial, basic

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

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

## evolve

v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

*synonym*: develop, mature, grow

(1) **evolve**, (2) **evolve** over the past decade  
Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

## opposition

*n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

*synonym*: resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**  
The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

## invitation

*n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something

*synonym*: request, asking, proposal

(1) a letter of **invitation**, (2) **invitation** of foreign investment  
I will be very happy to accept your **invitation**.

## blessing

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

*synonym*: favor, benediction, boon

(1) count your **blessings**, (2) bestowed **blessings**  
Receiving support from his friends was a great **blessing** in his time of need.

## default

*v.* to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) a failure to fulfill an obligation or to meet a requirement; the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options

*synonym*: fail, neglect, omit

(1) **default** settings, (2) **default** on the mortgage  
If you don't specify a different option, the computer will **default** to its original settings.

## timeline

*n.* a series of events arranged in chronological order and displayed along a line, usually drawn left to right or top to bottom

*synonym* : agenda, timetable, chronology

(1) **timeline** of science history, (2) lay out a **timeline**

He imposed a **timeline** on the project.

## deserve

*v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

*synonym* : merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize

The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

## urgent

*adj.* requiring immediate attention or action; pressing

*synonym* : pressing, critical, immediate

(1) an **urgent** telegram, (2) **urgent** situation

It is **urgent** that we leave for the airport now to catch our flight.

## metabolism

*n.* the set of chemical reactions in cells or organisms that are necessary for life-sustaining

(1) **metabolism** enzyme, (2) hemoglobin **metabolism**

Better sleep leads to increased **metabolism**.

## frustration

*n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something

*synonym* : disappointment, discouragement, dissatisfaction

(1) **frustration** level, (2) express **frustration**

He felt a deep **frustration** as he realized the project would not be completed on time.

## mediocrity

*n.* the state or quality of being average or of having only moderate ability, success, or value; the state or quality of being uninspired or unoriginal

*synonym* : averageness, ordinariness, unoriginality

(1) sink into **mediocrity**, (2) escape **mediocrity**

He was content with living a life of **mediocrity**.

**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**.



## Session 2: Spelling

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|--------------------------------|---|
| 1. ur____y in the use of force | <i>n.</i> the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately  |
| 2. su____t a plot              | <i>v.</i> to consider anything to be actual or probable   |
| 3. he was en____ly to blame    | <i>adv.</i> completely  |
| 4. ready-made ph____es         | <i>n.</i> a group of words that mean something specific when used together  |
| 5. coast st__p                 | <i>v.</i> to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc. |
| 6. inf____nt meetings          | <i>adj.</i> occurring rarely or irregularly; happening at long intervals; not happening often or in large numbers   |
| 7. str____en the immune system | <i>v.</i> to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective   |
| 8. al____ds email              | <i>adj.</i> involving or including all members of a group or organization; a meeting or event where all members are expected to attend and participate    |
| 9. cr____s management          | <i>n.</i> a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken                           |
| 10. st____ht for two months    | <i>adj.</i> extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations   |

ANSWERS: 1. urgency, 2. suspect, 3. entirely, 4. phrase, 5. strip, 6. infrequent, 7. strengthen, 8. all-hands, 9. crisis, 10. straight

11. tr\_\_\_\_\_ff problem *n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
12. r\_p music *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
13. di\_\_\_\_\_se the problem *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
14. hemoglobin met\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* the set of chemical reactions in cells or organisms that are necessary for life-sustaining
15. en\_\_\_\_\_e the company to use the logo *v.* to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something
16. in\_\_\_e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
17. unp\_\_\_\_\_ive industries *adj.* not producing or able to produce very much or desired results
18. his conclusion was ob\_\_\_\_\_s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
19. re\_\_\_\_\_on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
20. inf\_\_\_\_\_nt showers *adj.* occurring rarely or irregularly; happening at long intervals; not happening often or in large numbers
21. become increasingly com\_\_\_\_\_ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

ANSWERS: 11. trade-off, 12. rap, 13. diagnose, 14. metabolism, 15. entitle, 16. invite, 17. unproductive, 18. obvious, 19. relation, 20. infrequent, 21. complicated

22. the st\_\_\_\_\_re of a machine      *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
23. at your own p\_\_\_e      *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
24. exp\_\_\_\_\_nt design      *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
25. pro\_\_\_\_\_on of disease      *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
26. co\_\_\_\_\_ct law      *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
27. ag\_\_\_a setting      *n.* a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
28. new di\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
29. pr\_\_\_\_\_le cause of a fire      *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
30. noun ph\_\_\_e      *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
31. to\_\_\_\_\_te ambiguity      *v.* to allow something to exist or happen, even if it is disliked or opposed
32. res\_\_\_\_\_le for a customer service      *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

ANSWERS: 22. structure, 23. pace, 24. experiment, 25. progression, 26. contract, 27. agenda, 28. dimension, 29. probable, 30. phrase, 31. tolerate, 32. responsible

33. opp\_\_\_\_\_on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
34. emotional pa\_\_\_\_f *n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk
35. in\_\_\_\_\_or lawsuit *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
36. re\_\_\_\_\_on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
37. 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
38. co\_\_\_\_\_t for surgery *n.* permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority
39. adm\_\_\_\_\_er justice *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
40. 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
41. a scientific di\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 33. opposition, 34. payoff, 35. investor, 36. relation, 37. skip, 38. consent, 39. administer, 40. skip, 41. discovery

42. confuse fa\_\_\_\_\_y with reality *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
43. the sc\_\_\_\_t of a play *n.* a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
44. po\_\_\_\_e tone *adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior
45. escape med\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state or quality of being average or of having only moderate ability, success, or value; the state or quality of being uninspired or unoriginal
46. under una\_\_\_\_\_le circumstances *adj.* impossible to avoid or evade; inevitable
47. fa\_\_\_\_\_y novel *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
48. ship wr\_\_\_\_\_ge *n.* the remains of something that has been destroyed, ruined, severely damaged, or crashed, usually referring to vehicles, buildings, or machinery
49. re\_\_\_\_\_r approval ratings *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
50. bestowed bl\_\_\_\_\_ngs *n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
51. co\_\_\_\_\_er of the university *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

ANSWERS: 42. fantasy, 43. script, 44. polite, 45. mediocrity, 46. unavoidable, 47. fantasy, 48. wreckage, 49. recover, 50. blessing, 51. cofounder

52. su\_\_\_\_t that he is sick *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
53. count your bl\_\_\_\_ngs *n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
54. late co\_\_\_\_er *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
55. womanly ho\_\_r *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
56. pre\_\_\_\_ous behavior *adj.* excessively bold or forward; taking liberties beyond what is appropriate or socially acceptable
57. a real estate in\_\_\_\_or *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
58. sink into med\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state or quality of being average or of having only moderate ability, success, or value; the state or quality of being uninspired or unoriginal
59. food and be\_\_\_\_ge *n.* a drink of any type
60. spontaneous ov\_\_\_\_n *n.* a sustained and enthusiastic show of appreciation, usually given in the form of applause, for something or someone that is admired or respected
61. br\_\_e decision *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

ANSWERS: 52. suspect, 53. blessing, 54. cofounder, 55. honor, 56. presumptuous, 57. investor, 58. mediocrity, 59. beverage, 60. ovation, 61. brave

62. imp\_\_\_\_\_ly known disease *adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way
63. to\_\_\_\_\_te his disrespectful behavior *v.* to allow something to exist or happen, even if it is disliked or opposed
64. common in\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
65. on an equal ba\_\_s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
66. re\_\_\_\_\_r a loss *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
67. courtroom sto\_\_\_\_\_ing *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
68. license re\_\_\_\_\_l *n.* the process of making something new or active again; the act of renewing a subscription, license, etc.
69. op\_\_\_\_\_l for intellectual growth *adj.* the best; most likely to be successful or advantageous
70. gain sha\_\_\_\_\_er approval *n.* a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company
71. political sa\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth
72. overcome hu\_\_\_\_es *n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome

ANSWERS: 62. imperfectly, 63. tolerate, 64. invention, 65. basis, 66. recover, 67. storytelling, 68. renewal, 69. optimal, 70. shareholder, 71. savior, 72. hurdle

73. get a r\_p *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
74. a go\_\_\_\_\_us meal *adj.* wonderful and attractive
75. uns\_\_\_\_\_le force *adj.* impossible to stop or prevent
76. d\_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
77. re\_\_\_\_\_e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
78. political pl\_\_\_\_\_ok *n.* a set of strategies or tactics used in a particular situation, often in a business or political context; a guidebook or manual that outlines a specific plan of action
79. de\_\_\_e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
80. say def\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
81. boundless cu\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
82. di\_\_\_\_\_ct difference *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
83. sigh of re\_\_\_f *n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

ANSWERS: 73. rap, 74. gorgeous, 75. unstoppable, 76. doe, 77. release, 78. playbook, 79. decide, 80. definitely, 81. curiosity, 82. distinct, 83. relief



84. take an un\_\_\_\_\_in attitude *adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
85. in a co\_\_\_\_\_ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
86. thu\_\_\_\_\_us noise *adj.* producing or accompanied by a loud, deep, rumbling sound, like that of thunder; intense, forceful, or impressive
87. sto\_\_\_\_\_ing performance *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
88. an una\_\_\_\_\_le accident *adj.* impossible to avoid or evade; inevitable
89. the crosswise di\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
90. end of the gr\_\_\_e period *n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal
91. pre\_\_\_\_\_ous attitude *adj.* excessively bold or forward; taking liberties beyond what is appropriate or socially acceptable
92. po\_\_\_e manners *adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior
93. pr\_\_\_t a feeling of hunger *v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen
94. sa\_\_\_\_\_x approach *n.* an outdoor play area for children consisting of a box filled with sand; a virtual testing environment used for software development or security testing

ANSWERS: 84. uncertain, 85. committed, 86. thunderous, 87. storytelling, 88. unavoidable, 89. dimension, 90. grace, 91. presumptuous, 92. polite, 93. prompt, 94. sandbox

95. inspire co\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
96. con\_\_\_\_\_ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
97. de\_\_\_\_\_e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
98. ev\_\_\_\_\_e *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
99. a hand sc\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
100. pro\_\_\_\_\_on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
101. imp\_\_\_\_\_ly developed *adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way
102. industry-sp\_\_\_\_\_ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
103. the words of a pre\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person who held a position or office before the current holder
104. in\_\_\_\_\_e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
105. track down an el\_\_\_\_\_e fact *adj.* difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember
106. still vi\_\_d in my memory *adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind

ANSWERS: 95. courage, 96. conversation, 97. deserve, 98. evolve, 99. script, 100. progression, 101. imperfectly, 102. specific, 103. predecessor, 104. involve, 105. elusive, 106. vivid

107. al\_\_\_\_\_ds approach *adj.* involving or including all members of a group or organization; a meeting or event where all members are expected to attend and participate
108. st\_\_p a tire off *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
109. sp\_\_\_\_\_ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
110. tax re\_\_\_\_f *n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
111. pr\_\_\_\_\_le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
112. beauty s\_\_t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
113. in\_\_\_\_e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
114. official sta\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
115. a p\_t bird *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
116. alcoholic be\_\_\_\_\_ges *n.* a drink of any type
117. re\_\_\_\_e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

ANSWERS: 107. all-hands, 108. strip, 109. specific, 110. relief, 111. probable, 112. spot, 113. invite, 114. statistics, 115. pet, 116. beverage, 117. refuse

118. acc\_\_\_\_\_te the car *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
119. def\_\_\_\_\_ly become a problem *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
120. earn ap\_\_\_\_\_se *n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
121. st\_\_\_e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
122. series of exp\_\_\_\_\_nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
123. the sha\_\_\_\_\_er's meeting *n.* a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company
124. ba\_\_\_s for calculation *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
125. pr\_\_\_t a debate *v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen
126. a s\_\_\_t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
127. satisfy my intellectual cu\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
128. sta\_\_\_\_\_cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 118. accelerate, 119. definitely, 120. applause, 121. strike, 122. experiment, 123. shareholder, 124. basis, 125. prompt, 126. spot, 127. curiosity, 128. statistics

129. es\_\_\_\_\_al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
130. a letter of inv\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
131. hu\_\_\_e race *n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
132. matter of ur\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately
133. a teacher's p\_t *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
134. a friendly con\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
135. meet with opp\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
136. ur\_\_\_t situation *adj.* requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
137. the in\_\_\_\_\_on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
138. pl\_\_\_\_\_ok strategy *n.* a set of strategies or tactics used in a particular situation, often in a business or political context; a guidebook or manual that outlines a specific plan of action
139. not no\_\_\_\_\_ly drink much *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
140. br\_\_\_e soldier *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

ANSWERS: 129. essential, 130. invitation, 131. hurdle, 132. urgency, 133. pet, 134. conversation, 135. opposition, 136. urgent, 137. invention, 138. playbook, 139. normally, 140. brave

141. an el\_\_\_\_\_e criminal *adj.* difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember
142. 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
143. financial cr\_\_\_\_s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
144. ap\_\_\_\_\_e a measures *v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.
145. mainstream wo\_\_\_\_\_ew *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
146. thu\_\_\_\_\_us roar *adj.* producing or accompanied by a loud, deep, rumbling sound, like that of thunder; intense, forceful, or impressive
147. a l\_\_s with a wide angle *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
148. de\_\_\_\_\_t on the mortgage *v.* to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) a failure to fulfill an obligation or to meet a requirement; the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options

ANSWERS: 141. elusive, 142. decide, 143. crisis, 144. approve, 145. worldview, 146. thunderous, 147. lens, 148. default

149. acc\_\_\_\_\_te a chemical reaction      *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
150. en\_\_\_\_\_ly satisfied with the meal      *adv.* completely
151. ine\_\_\_\_\_le changes of the seasons      *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
152. back f\_n      *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
153. ti\_\_\_\_\_ne of science history      *n.* a series of events arranged in chronological order and displayed along a line, usually drawn left to right or top to bottom
154. low-r\_v engine      *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
155. lay out a ti\_\_\_\_\_ne      *n.* a series of events arranged in chronological order and displayed along a line, usually drawn left to right or top to bottom
156. in an unp\_\_\_\_\_ive manner      *adj.* not producing or able to produce very much or desired results
157. mental co\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
158. im\_\_\_\_\_ry number      *adj.* existing only in someone's mind

ANSWERS: 149. accelerate, 150. entirely, 151. inevitable, 152. fin, 153. timeline, 154. rev, 155. timeline, 156. unproductive, 157. courage, 158. imaginary

159. artificial cr\_\_\_\_re *n.* a living being, especially an animal
160. go\_\_\_\_us sunset *adj.* wonderful and attractive
161. em\_\_\_\_ee evaluation *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
162. a convex l\_\_\_\_s *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
163. execution by burning at a st\_\_e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
164. co\_\_\_\_ry evidence *n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
165. re\_\_\_\_e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
166. di\_\_\_\_ct from each other *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
167. complete no\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
168. adm\_\_\_\_er the funds *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
169. buy the company's st\_\_e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something

ANSWERS: 159. creature, 160. gorgeous, 161. employee, 162. lens, 163. stake, 164. contrary, 165. release, 166. distinct, 167. normally, 168. administer, 169. stake



170. ine_____le result	<i>adj.</i> certain to happen and unavoidable
171. financial pa____f	<i>n.</i> the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk
172. met_____sm enzyme	<i>n.</i> the set of chemical reactions in cells or organisms that are necessary for life-sustaining
173. ambitious ag____a	<i>n.</i> a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
174. the runner's p____e	<i>n.</i> the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
175. achieve op_____l health	<i>adj.</i> the best; most likely to be successful or advantageous
176. con_____ion on a promotion	<i>n.</i> the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another
177. vi__d colors	<i>adj.</i> producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind
178. a com_____ed process	<i>adj.</i> involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
179. inv_____on of foreign investment	<i>n.</i> a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
180. en_____e him to a pension	<i>v.</i> to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something

ANSWERS: 170. inevitable, 171. payoff, 172. metabolism, 173. agenda, 174. pace, 175. optimal, 176. congratulation, 177. vivid, 178. complicated, 179. invitation, 180. entitle

181. pre\_\_\_\_\_or model *n.* a person who held a position or office before the current holder
182. employment co\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
183. an ur\_\_\_\_t telegram *adj.* requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
184. di\_\_\_\_\_se with CT scans *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
185. express fru\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
186. st\_\_\_\_\_le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
187. status q\_o politician *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
188. a st\_\_\_\_\_ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
189. a matter for con\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

ANSWERS: 181. predecessor, 182. contract, 183. urgent, 184. diagnose, 185. frustration, 186. struggle, 187. quo, 188. straight, 189. congratulation

190. st\_\_\_\_\_re and function of the brain     *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
191. fru\_\_\_\_\_on level     *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
192. ext\_\_\_\_\_ary ability     *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
193. cr\_\_\_\_\_re of habit     *n.* a living being, especially an animal
194. str\_\_\_\_\_en a border patrol     *v.* to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective
195. pray to the sa\_\_\_\_r     *n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth
196. environmental tr\_\_\_\_\_ff     *n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
197. in\_\_\_\_\_e a lot of paperwork     *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
198. the wo\_\_\_\_\_ew of the ancient civilization     *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
199. im\_\_\_\_\_ry pregnancy     *adj.* existing only in someone's mind

ANSWERS: 190. structure, 191. frustration, 192. extraordinary, 193. creature, 194. strengthen, 195. savior, 196. trade-off, 197. involve, 198. worldview, 199. imaginary

200. the great di\_\_\_\_\_ry of the century     *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
201. 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
202. re\_\_\_\_n information     *v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
203. a sense of wel\_\_\_\_\_ng     *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
204. round of ap\_\_\_\_\_se     *n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
205. ev\_\_\_\_e over the past decade     *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
206. unanimously ap\_\_\_\_\_e a resolution     *v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.
207. q\_o warranto     *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
208. gets m\_d easily     *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

ANSWERS: 200. discovery, 201. process, 202. retain, 203. well-being, 204. applause, 205. evolve, 206. approve, 207. quo, 208. mad

209. standing ov\_\_\_\_n *n.* a sustained and enthusiastic show of appreciation, usually given in the form of applause, for something or someone that is admired or respected
210. de\_\_\_\_e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
211. say a gr\_\_e *n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal
212. give silent co\_\_\_\_t *n.* permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority
213. ob\_\_\_\_s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
214. r\_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
215. ext\_\_\_\_ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
216. re\_\_\_e a request *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
217. virtual sa\_\_\_\_x *n.* an outdoor play area for children consisting of a box filled with sand; a virtual testing environment used for software development or security testing

ANSWERS: 209. ovation, 210. deserve, 211. grace, 212. consent, 213. obvious, 214. rev, 215. extraordinary, 216. refuse, 217. sandbox

218. 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
219. a f\_n of a plane      *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
220. res\_\_\_\_\_le action      *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
221. uns\_\_\_\_\_le momentum      *adj.* impossible to stop or prevent
222. em\_\_\_\_\_ee benefits      *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
223. st\_\_\_\_\_le against discrimination      *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
224. re\_\_\_n a lawyer      *v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
225. es\_\_\_\_\_al amino acid      *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
226. pr\_\_\_\_\_s improvement      *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
227. 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

ANSWERS: 218. strike, 219. fin, 220. responsible, 221. unstoppable, 222. employee, 223. struggle, 224. retain, 225. essential, 226. process, 227. doe

228. ho\_\_r our ancestors *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
229. uni\_\_\_\_\_ed misunderstanding *adj.* not planned or meant
230. fling a sp\_\_\_\_\_ll *n.* a small ball made from chewing gum or paper and moistened with saliva, typically thrown as a prank or in a playful manner; (verb) brainstorm or throw out ideas, often in a casual or non-committal manner
231. work pe\_\_\_\_t *v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
232. numerous un\_\_\_\_\_in factors *adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
233. a m\_d person *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
234. de\_\_\_\_\_t settings *v.* to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) a failure to fulfill an obligation or to meet a requirement; the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options

ANSWERS: 228. honor, 229. unintended, 230. spitball, 231. permit, 232. uncertain, 233. mad, 234. default

235. re\_\_\_\_\_l process *n.* the process of making something new or active again; the act of renewing a subscription, license, etc.
236. the clear co\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
237. false ove\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* excessive trust or faith in one's abilities, judgments, or decisions, often leading to mistaken assumptions or risky behavior
238. pe\_\_\_\_t application *v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
239. the wel\_\_\_\_\_ng of a nation *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
240. ove\_\_\_\_\_nce bias *n.* excessive trust or faith in one's abilities, judgments, or decisions, often leading to mistaken assumptions or risky behavior
241. strong and co\_\_\_\_\_ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
242. uni\_\_\_\_\_ed bias *adj.* not planned or meant
243. wr\_\_\_\_\_ge recovery *n.* the remains of something that has been destroyed, ruined, severely damaged, or crashed, usually referring to vehicles, buildings, or machinery
244. sp\_\_\_\_\_ll ideas *n.* a small ball made from chewing gum or paper and moistened with saliva, typically thrown as a prank or in a playful manner; (verb) brainstorm or throw out ideas, often in a casual or non-committal manner

ANSWERS: 235. renewal, 236. contrary, 237. overconfidence, 238. permit, 239. well-being, 240. overconfidence, 241. committed, 242. unintended, 243. wreckage, 244. spitball



ANSWERS:

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The animal rights group worked to \_\_\_\_\_ the dolphins back into the wild.  
*v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
2. Our company is committed to increasing \_\_\_\_\_ value.  
*n.* a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company
3. We are responsible for the care and \_\_\_\_\_ of all our employees.  
*n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
4. There are \_\_\_\_\_ differences between the two wine-producing regions.  
*adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
5. There was a \_\_\_\_\_ between speed and accuracy in the task.  
*n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
6. 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
7. Our company is having an \_\_\_\_\_ meeting to discuss the new project next week.  
*adj.* involving or including all members of a group or organization; a meeting or event where all members are expected to attend and participate
8. 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

ANSWERS: 1. release, 2. shareholder, 3. well-being, 4. obvious, 5. trade-off, 6. skipped, 7. all-hands, 8. process

9. The \_\_\_\_\_ applause lasted for several minutes after the performance.  
*adj.* producing or accompanied by a loud, deep, rumbling sound, like that of thunder; intense, forceful, or impressive
10. The company signed a \_\_\_\_\_ with the supplier for the delivery of goods.  
*n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
11. We bought a Spanish \_\_\_\_\_ book.  
*n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
12. The negotiations between labor and management were \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* not producing or able to produce very much or desired results
13. Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
14. Our company is strongly \_\_\_\_\_ to meeting customers' needs.  
*adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
15. The new \_\_\_ album is getting a lot of attention.  
*n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
16. The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world

ANSWERS: 9. thunderous, 10. contract, 11. phrase, 12. unproductive, 13. fantasy, 14. committed, 15. rap, 16. worldviews

17. The student's \_\_\_\_\_ in their writing abilities caused them not to bother to proofread their essay, resulting in a poor grades.
- n.* excessive trust or faith in one's abilities, judgments, or decisions, often leading to mistaken assumptions or risky behavior
18. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the company is too high nowadays.
- n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
19. That incident \_\_\_\_\_ a nationwide chain reaction regarding the crackdown on illegal groups.
- v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen
20. The deep sea \_\_\_\_\_ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.
- n.* a living being, especially an animal
21. Your \_\_\_\_\_ reflects your thoughts.
- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
22. 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
23. The \_\_\_\_\_ handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.
- n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

ANSWERS: 17. overconfidence, 18. stake, 19. prompted, 20. creature, 21. conversation, 22. decide, 23. employee

24. It is essential to keep these two issues \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
25. Wild animals need to go forward with the \_\_\_\_\_ action to survive.  
*adj.* the best; most likely to be successful or advantageous
26. The \_\_\_\_\_ for the meeting includes discussions on the budget and new project proposals.  
*n.* a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
27. In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
28. The \_\_\_\_\_ firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.  
*adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
29. Little children tend to have \_\_\_\_\_ friends.  
*adj.* existing only in someone's mind
30. The \_\_\_\_\_ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.  
*n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
31. The \_\_\_\_\_ for all my hard work was finally getting a promotion.  
*n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk
32. After the accident, three governmental bodies \_\_\_\_\_ the company.  
*v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

ANSWERS: 24. distinct, 25. optimal, 26. agenda, 27. inevitable, 28. brave, 29. imaginary, 30. opposition, 31. payoff, 32. administer

33. The city is undergoing a \_\_\_\_\_ project that will transform the downtown area.  
*n.* the process of making something new or active again; the act of renewing a subscription, license, etc.
34. He could not \_\_\_\_\_ against temptation.  
*v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
35. I will be very happy to accept your \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
36. The two sides argued their points, but the judge ultimately sided with the \_\_\_\_\_ viewpoint.  
*n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
37. Institutional \_\_\_\_\_ refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.  
*n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
38. It is \_\_\_\_\_ that we leave for the airport now to catch our flight.  
*adj.* requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
39. The doctor advised him to \_\_\_\_\_ down for a check.  
*v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
40. She made a \_\_\_\_\_ impression.  
*adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind

ANSWERS: 33. renewal, 34. struggle, 35. invitation, 36. contrary, 37. investors, 38. urgent, 39. strip, 40. vivid

41. Overall \_\_\_\_\_ are approximately 400x200mm.  
*n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
42. He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian \_\_\_\_\_ fund.  
*n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
43. Better sleep leads to increased \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the set of chemical reactions in cells or organisms that are necessary for life-sustaining
44. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.  
*n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
45. He narrated the \_\_\_\_\_ story of his adventure.  
*adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
46. The archaeologist found a hieratic Egyptian \_\_\_\_\_ on a stone monument.  
*n.* a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
47. Difficulties \_\_\_\_\_ the mind, as labor does the body.  
*v.* to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective
48. The employee was \_\_\_\_\_ to a week of vacation time.  
*v.* to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something

ANSWERS: 41. dimensions, 42. relief, 43. metabolism, 44. statistics, 45. extraordinary, 46. script, 47. strengthen, 48. entitled

49. Her research team made an important \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

50. There are now fears that war is \_\_\_\_\_.

- adj.* impossible to avoid or evade; inevitable

51. 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

52. The team's winning streak was \_\_\_\_\_.

- adj.* impossible to stop or prevent

53. The old oak tree stood with \_\_\_\_\_ and majesty in the park's center.

- n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal

54. If you don't specify a different option, the computer will \_\_\_\_\_ to its original settings.

- v.* to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) a failure to fulfill an obligation or to meet a requirement; the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options

55. The paper is \_\_\_\_\_ worth reading thoroughly.

- adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

ANSWERS: 49. discovery, 50. unavoidable, 51. involves, 52. unstoppable, 53. grace, 54. default, 55. definitely



56. The employee \_\_\_\_\_ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.  
*v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
57. The new CEO is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the former CEO.  
*n.* a person who held a position or office before the current holder
58. The teacher will not \_\_\_\_\_ any students to leave the classroom early.  
*v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
59. The teacher caught the student making a \_\_\_\_\_ gun in the back of the classroom.  
*n.* a small ball made from chewing gum or paper and moistened with saliva, typically thrown as a prank or in a playful manner; (verb) brainstorm or throw out ideas, often in a casual or non-committal manner
60. The organizational \_\_\_\_\_ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.  
*n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
61. Computers help people \_\_\_\_\_ specific memories.  
*v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
62. It was \_\_\_\_\_ of him to assume he would be hired for the job without submitting a resume.  
*adj.* excessively bold or forward; taking liberties beyond what is appropriate or socially acceptable
63. I don't \_\_\_\_\_ take a vacation in the middle of summer.  
*adv.* usually; under normal conditions

ANSWERS: 56. deserved, 57. predecessor, 58. permit, 59. spitball, 60. structure, 61. retain, 62. presumptuous, 63. normally

64. She departed hurriedly because of some significant \_\_\_\_\_ in their affairs.  
*n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately
65. This remote \_\_\_\_\_ is rarely visited.  
*n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
66. He was content with living a life of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the state or quality of being average or of having only moderate ability, success, or value; the state or quality of being uninspired or unoriginal
67. The \_\_\_\_\_ burst from the audience.  
*n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
68. He imposed a \_\_\_\_\_ on the project.  
*n.* a series of events arranged in chronological order and displayed along a line, usually drawn left to right or top to bottom
69. Necessity is the mother of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
70. The singer received an \_\_\_\_\_ from the crowd after her performance.  
*n.* a sustained and enthusiastic show of appreciation, usually given in the form of applause, for something or someone that is admired or respected
71. The \_\_\_\_\_ from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.  
*n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

ANSWERS: 64. urgency, 65. spot, 66. mediocrity, 67. applause, 68. timeline, 69. invention, 70. ovation, 71. congratulations

72. It seems \_\_\_\_\_ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.

*adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true

73. He created an \_\_\_\_\_ shaped torso.

*adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way

74. Receiving support from his friends was a great \_\_\_\_\_ in his time of need.

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

75. He was sick for five \_\_\_\_\_ days.

*adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

76. The government tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the commercialization of this development.

*v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly

77. My initial reaction was to \_\_\_\_\_.

*v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

78. 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

79. Excessive human interference in the global environment may bring \_\_\_\_\_ consequences.

*adj.* not planned or meant

ANSWERS: 72. probable, 73. imperfectly, 74. blessing, 75. straight, 76. accelerate, 77. refuse, 78. doe, 79. unintended

80. It takes a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ to stand up for what you believe is right.  
*n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
81. Eyeless fish \_\_\_\_\_ in dark caves.  
*v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
82. The guru of that religion thought of himself as a \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth
83. This evidence will form the \_\_\_\_\_ for our discussion.  
*n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
84. She wore a \_\_\_\_\_ dress to the party, which everyone admired.  
*adj.* wonderful and attractive
85. 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
86. The economy is growing at a supercharged \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
87. Bring a snack or \_\_\_\_\_ to satisfy your appetite.  
*n.* a drink of any type

ANSWERS: 80. courage, 81. evolved, 82. savior, 83. basis, 84. gorgeous, 85. specific, 86. pace, 87. beverage

88. The coach's \_\_\_\_\_ helped the team win the championship.

- n.* a set of strategies or tactics used in a particular situation, often in a business or political context; a guidebook or manual that outlines a specific plan of action

89. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the plane was scattered across the field after the crash.

- n.* the remains of something that has been destroyed, ruined, severely damaged, or crashed, usually referring to vehicles, buildings, or machinery

90. His \_\_\_\_\_ showed highly positive results.

- n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

91. She was \_\_\_\_\_ about her friend's intentions.

- adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose

92. The physicist who found the \_\_\_\_\_ particle won the Nobel Prize.

- adj.* difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember

93. We want to \_\_\_\_\_ you to our annual charity event.

- v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

94. Trial and error is an \_\_\_\_\_ part of education.

- adj.* indispensable; fundamental

95. The company has made great strides in its \_\_\_\_\_ toward sustainability.

- n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

96. He is the \_\_\_\_\_ and chairman of this tech company.

- n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

ANSWERS: 88. playbook, 89. wreckage, 90. experiments, 91. uncertain, 92. elusive, 93. invite, 94. essential, 95. progression, 96. cofounder

97. This device is used to \_\_\_\_\_ brain cancer and other tumors.

- v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis

98. The photographer took this photo using a telephoto \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

99. He was \_\_\_\_ with joy to see the results.

- adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

100. We are motivated by \_\_\_\_\_ rather than necessity.

- n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something

101. He felt a deep \_\_\_\_\_ as he realized the project would not be completed on time.

- n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something

102. I have a parrot as a \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

103. It's important to be \_\_\_\_\_ even when you disagree with someone.

- adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior

104. The company faced several \_\_\_\_\_ in the development of its new product.

- n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome

ANSWERS: 97. diagnose, 98. lens, 99. mad, 100. curiosity, 101. frustration, 102. pet, 103. polite, 104. hurdles

105. 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

106. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud \_\_\_\_.

*n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

107. Later, his claim was found to be \_\_\_\_\_ false.

*adv.* completely

108. The cops \_\_\_\_\_ him of being the killer.

*v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable

109. 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

110. She was skilled in \_\_\_\_\_ techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

*n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories

111. She gave her \_\_\_\_\_ to the company's proposal.

*n.* permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority

112. Traveling to remote villages can be difficult due to \_\_\_\_\_ transportation.

*adj.* occurring rarely or irregularly; happening at long intervals; not happening often or in large numbers

ANSWERS: 105. complicated, 106. rev, 107. entirely, 108. suspected, 109. quo, 110. storytelling, 111. consent, 112. infrequent

113. I claim on my \_\_\_\_\_ that it is true.

*n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

114. The Chinese word for \_\_\_\_\_ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

*n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

115. She's a \_\_\_\_\_ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

*adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

116. The children played in the \_\_\_\_\_ for hours, building sandcastles and digging tunnels.

*n.* an outdoor play area for children consisting of a box filled with sand; a virtual testing environment used for software development or security testing

117. The industrial \_\_\_\_\_ laws were passed with little to no alteration.

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

118. She is still \_\_\_\_\_ from a shot to her shoulder.

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

119. 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

120. 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

ANSWERS: 113. honor, 114. crisis, 115. responsible, 116. sandbox, 117. relations, 118. recovering, 119. strike, 120. tolerate



121. My boss wouldn't \_\_\_\_\_ of the plan.

- v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.

122. The shark's powerful \_\_\_\_\_ allowed it to swim at high speeds.

- n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

ANSWERS: 121. approve, 122. fins