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Session 1: Word List

architect

n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

synonym: creator, designer, planner

(1) landscape **architect**, (2) **architect** of the peace accord

The building **architect** tried to build the house above the tree.

modern

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

synonym: contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre- **modern** agricultural society

Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

construct

v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

synonym: build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

skyline

n. the outline of buildings and other structures against the sky, especially when viewed from a distance

synonym: silhouette, cityscape, horizon

(1) **skyline** view, (2) downtown **skyline**

The **skyline** of the city was dotted with tall buildings.

principle

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

synonym: rule, creed, code

(1) **principle** of treatment, (2) **principle** in business

Efficiency isn't an essential **principle** here; fairness is.

compete

v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

synonym: contend, contest, vie

(1) **compete** against a friend, (2) **compete** fiercely

You must **compete** with others to obtain this position.

density

n. the quality of compactness of a substance

synonym: tightness, viscosity

(1) population **density**, (2) higher pixel **density**

Do you know the **density** of the population in Hong Kong?

efficiency

n. the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money

synonym: effectiveness, efficacy, productivity

(1) better fuel **efficiency**, (2) an energy **efficiency**

Our company must continue to strive for greater **efficiency**.

architecture

n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

synonym: design, structure, layout

(1) **architecture** design, (2) classic **architecture**

The city is known for its impressive **architecture** and beautiful old buildings.

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym: mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

urban

adj. relating to or located in a town or city

synonym : metropolitan, civic

(1) **urban** planning, (2) **urban** property owners

Only a small number of **urban** utilities offer sanitation services.

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym : approach, procedure, scenario

(1) military **strategy**, (2) develop a **strategy**

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

cubic

adj. having the shape of a cube or being of three dimensions; measured in units that are the third power of a linear unit

synonym : three-dimensional, boxlike, cubical

(1) **cubic** meter, (2) **cubic** structure

The package was a **cubic** shape, which made it easier to stack on the shelf.

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.

observe

v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

synonym : watch, monitor, scrutinize

(1) **observe** a tradition, (2) **observe** wildlife

It is important to **observe** safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

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.

organic

adj. of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals

synonym: biological

(1) **organic** soils, (2) eat **organic** food

The kidney is an **organic** component of the body.

fluid

n. a substance that can flow and is not solid

synonym: liquid, aqua, sap

(1) plenty of **fluids**, (2) **fluid** assets

She was diagnosed with a **fluid** buildup in her lungs.

complexity

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

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

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

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

interior

n. the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building

synonym: inner, inside, internal

(1) **interior** decoration, (2) plenty of **interior** space

The painter focused on the moody **interiors** of abandoned buildings in his work.

opportune

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

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

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

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

tower

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

synonym: building, belfry, edifice

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

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

curvature

n. the degree to which a line or surface deviates from being straight or flat; a measure of the amount of bending of a curve

synonym: bend, arch, bow

(1) the degree of **curvature**, (2) spinal **curvature**

The **curvature** of the earth can be seen from space.

high-rise

adj. describing a tall building or structure that has many floors or levels above the ground, often used to describe residential or commercial buildings in urban areas with multiple stories

synonym: tall building, skyscraper, high building

(1) **high-rise** building, (2) **high-rise** office

Living in a **high-rise** apartment offers spectacular views of the city.

residential

adj. relating to, suitable for, or used for living in

synonym: domestic, homely, dwelling

(1) a **residential** district, (2) **residential** property

The city's **residential** area is known for its quiet streets and beautiful homes.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

sunshine

n. the direct light and heat that comes from the sun
synonym : sunlight, daylight, rays

(1) warm **sunshine**, (2) morning **sunshine**

The **sunshine** was so bright that I had to wear sunglasses to protect my eyes.

dynamics

n. the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
synonym : mechanics, kinetics, kinematics

(1) **dynamics** of group, (2) **dynamics** of economy

The relationship **dynamics** between the two countries were complex and constantly changing.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym : custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

human-made

adj. created or produced by humans; artificial
synonym : artificial, unnatural, manufactured

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

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

dramatic

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

synonym : striking, theatrical, breathtaking

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

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

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym : affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

scenery

n. the natural features of a landscape or environment, viewed particularly in terms of their aesthetic appeal; the visual elements that constitute a play's backdrop or setting

synonym : landscape, view, panorama

(1) **scenery** painting, (2) mountain **scenery**

The beautiful **scenery** along the coast took our breath away.

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

synonym : disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

synonym : coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,

(2) **combine** augmented reality

Hydrogen and oxygen **combine** to form water.

locate

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

synonym : discover, find, place

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

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

reject

v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

synonym : decline, turn down, repudiate

(1) **reject** the proposal, (2) **reject** all imperfect merchandise
The company **rejected** the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

criminal

n. a person who has committed a crime
synonym: offender, lawbreaker, delinquent

(1) wanted **criminal**, (2) **criminal** investigation

The police are searching for the **criminal** who stole the jewels.

pity

n. a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain

synonym: sympathy, compassion, mercy

(1) allow self- **pity**, (2) **pity** speech

It is a **pity** that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.

contour

n. the outline of its shape or form; a line drawn on a map connecting points of equal height

synonym: outline, silhouette, shape

(1) the **contour** of the earth's surface, (2) **contour** lines

The **contour** of the Atlantic coast of America is very complicated.

translate

v. to convert or change words into another language

synonym: convert, transcribe, render

(1) **translate** a document into English, (2) **translate** the emotion to a movement

Translate the text from Italian into English.

geometry

n. the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces

(1) Euclidean **geometry**, (2) spherical **geometry**

The mathematician pioneered fractal **geometry**.

extension

n. a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line

synonym : addition, augment, supplement

(1) time **extension**, (2) telephone **extension**

They are building an **extension** to the house to add more bedrooms.

situ

adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance

synonym : situational, contextual, circumstantial

(1) ex- **situ** conservation, (2) in- **situ** control

Melanoma in **situ** is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.

sketch

n. a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something

synonym : drawing, outline, blueprint

(1) a penciled **sketch**, (2) first design **sketches**

Yesterday, I created a rough **sketch** of the plan.

random

adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

synonym : incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

emotion

n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

synonym : feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**

Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

coexist

v. to live or exist together at the same time in the same place

synonym: cohabit, accompany, synchronize

(1) **coexist** with nature, (2) **coexist** with diversity

The different species can **coexist** in the same ecosystem by filling different niches and using different resources.

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.

relieve

v. to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe

synonym: alleviate, ease, assuage

(1) **relieve** his thirst, (2) **relieve** stress

The medicine **relieved** his headache, and he felt much better.

valley

n. a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

synonym: canyon, gorge, dale

(1) **valley** bottom, (2) basin-shaped **valley**

The **valley** had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

surrounding

adj. that is near or around, or closely encircling something

synonym: circumferent, encircling, neighboring

(1) **surrounding** areas, (2) a fence **surrounding** a castle

The **surrounding** mountains make the city difficult to be invaded.

extend

v. to broaden in scope, range, or area

synonym: prolong, lengthen, advance

(1) **extend** the warranty, (2) **extend** a line
Her visit will **extend** from Monday to Friday.

critic

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

synonym: pundit, analyst, attacker

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

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

surround

v. to be all around something or somebody

synonym: encircle, encompass, envelop

(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace
On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

modify

v. to change something slightly, such as a plan, option, law, etc., especially to make it more suitable for a particular purpose

synonym: adjust, alter, revise

(1) genetically **modify** food, (2) **modify** my behavior

We use adverbs to **modify** verbs and adjectives.

context

n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

synonym: background, setting, environment

(1) historical **context**, (2) legal **context**

It's important to understand the **context** of a situation before making a decision.

opera

n. a drama set to music, in which the words are sung rather than spoken

synonym: musical, operetta, oratorio

(1) ballad **opera**, (2) **opera** performance

She loves going to the **opera** house and hearing the beautiful music.

wetland

adj. land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs

synonym : bog, marsh, swamp

(1) **wetland** conservation, (2) **wetland** ecosystem

The **wetland** area was home to many different species of birds.

landscape

n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

synonym : geography, terrain, topography

(1) a peaceful **landscape**, (2) **landscape** painting

Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political **landscape** in Europe.

merge

v. to combine or integrate things, or to cause this to happen

synonym : combine, join, coalesce

(1) **merge** into a new party, (2) **merge** those systems into a new one

This consulting firm decided to **merge** the two companies into one.

horizon

n. the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated

synonym : skyline, view, visible boundary

(1) the event **horizon** of a black hole, (2) business **horizon**

As the sun set, the colors of the sky merged with the **horizon**, creating a beautiful orange and pink hue.

rooftop

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

synonym : roof, terrace, deck

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

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

amphitheater

n. an open-air theater, usually circular or oval, with tiers of seats surrounding a central performance area

synonym: arena, stadium, coliseum

(1) outdoor **amphitheater**, (2) ancient **amphitheater**

The performers took to the stage in the **amphitheater's** center, surrounded by cheering fans.

frame

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

synonym: body, skeleton, scaffolding

(1) a picture **frame**, (2) the **frame** of the policy

The detective looked for fingerprints on the window **frame**.

lobby

n. a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation

synonym: entrance, hall, anteroom

(1) **lobby** for legislation, (2) a hotel **lobby**

That **lobby** group actively advocated environmental protection to the government.

indoor

adj. located, happened, or used inside a building

(1) an **indoor** pool, (2) designed for **indoor** use

Table tennis is an **indoor** sport.

narrative

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

synonym: the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**

The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

mysterious

adj. difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement

synonym: enigmatic, cryptic, puzzling

(1) **mysterious** object, (2) **mysterious** stranger

The **mysterious** disappearance of the ship remains unsolved.

surreal

adj. strange and unreal; having an oddly dreamlike quality

synonym : dreamlike, fantastical, unreal

(1) **surreal** number, (2) **surreal** art

The dreamlike quality of the painting gave it a **surreal** feel.

explore

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

synonym : analyze, delve into, examine

(1) **explore** the world, (2) **explore** our options

The management must **explore** strategies to increase office security.

lift

v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position

synonym : raise, elevate, move up

(1) **lift** sagging skin, (2) **lift** a ban on alcohol

The drought **lifted** the prices of grain globally.

underneath

adv. under or below something else

synonym : below, under, beneath

(1) **underneath** the surface of the water, (2) **underneath** the laughter

The penny fell **underneath** the piano.

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.

volcano

n. a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and

gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.

synonym : mount, peak, crater

(1) **volcano** alert level, (2) active **volcano**

The island was formed by a **volcano** millions of years ago.

stadium

n. a large, usually roofless building with tiers of seats for spectators at sports or other events

synonym : arena, field, park

(1) **stadium** seating, (2) **stadium** capacity

The baseball **stadium** was filled with excited fans eagerly awaiting the start of the game.

wander

v. to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

synonym : ramble, roam, stroll

(1) **wander** alone in a strange country, (2) **wander** far from home

I often **wander** around the park for half an hour.

render

v. to bring someone or something into a particular state; to provide something such as service, help, etc.

synonym : deliver, give, provide

(1) **render** an assessment, (2) **render** the contract void

The jury must **render** a decision on this complex case.

environment

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

synonym : atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

blur

n. a faint or indistinct image or sound; something that is not clear or distinct; (verb) to become unclear; to lose clear vision

synonym : smudge, smear, fuzz

(1) **blur** image, (2) motion **blur**

The camera's focus was off, and the image was a **blur** of colors and shapes.

boundary

n. a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
synonym: border, frontier, limitation

(1) geographical **boundary**, (2) the **boundary** between reality and fantasy

He wandered the **boundary** between life and death by gunfire.

functional

adj. designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service
synonym: applicable, practical, usable

(1) field of **functional** medicine, (2) **functional** deafness

The mobile phone was still **functional** even after being dropped.

spirit

n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
synonym: soul, attitude, enthusiasm

(1) **spirit** and the letter of the law, (2) an indomitable **spirit**
Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great **spirit**.

soulless

adj. having no attractive or exciting character that makes people happy; lacking sensitivity or the capacity for deep feeling
synonym: heartless, affectless, cold-blooded

(1) he is **soulless** and mechanical, (2) in a **soulless** manner

She is sitting in a tree with a **soulless** look after hearing the news.

harmony

n. the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties

synonym: balance, accord, congruence

(1) a **harmony** of colors, (2) break a **harmony**

We worked in perfect **harmony**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. ob____e wildlife *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
2. mo____n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
3. re____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
4. ro____p deck *n.* the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes
5. warm su____ne *n.* the direct light and heat that comes from the sun
6. make dr____ic changes *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
7. genetically mo____y food *v.* to change something slightly, such as a plan, option, law, etc., especially to make it more suitable for a particular purpose
8. historical co____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
9. sy____l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else

ANSWERS: 1. observe, 2. modern, 3. relation, 4. rooftop, 5. sunshine, 6. dramatic, 7. modify, 8. context, 9. symbol

10. co_____e against a friend *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
11. bombs fell at ra____m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
12. mountain sc_____y *n.* the natural features of a landscape or environment, viewed particularly in terms of their aesthetic appeal; the visual elements that constitute a play's backdrop or setting
13. sur_____ng areas *adj.* that is near or around, or closely encircling something
14. severe cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
15. geographical bo_____ry *n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
16. st_____m capacity *n.* a large, usually roofless building with tiers of seats for spectators at sports or other events
17. spherical ge_____ry *n.* the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces
18. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
19. fun_____al deafness *adj.* designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service

ANSWERS: 10. compete, 11. random, 12. scenery, 13. surrounding, 14. critic, 15. boundary, 16. stadium, 17. geometry, 18. context, 19. functional

20. co_____t with diversity *v.* to live or exist together at the same time in the same place
21. re____r the contract void *v.* to bring someone or something into a particular state; to provide something such as service, help, etc.
22. ar_____ct of the peace accord *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
23. b__r image *n.* a faint or indistinct image or sound; something that is not clear or distinct; *(verb)* to become unclear; to lose clear vision
24. business ho_____n *n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
25. lo__y for legislation *n.* a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation
26. we_____d conservation *adj.* land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs
27. tr_____te a document into English *v.* to convert or change words into another language
28. su_____l art *adj.* strange and unreal; having an oddly dreamlike quality

ANSWERS: 20. coexist, 21. render, 22. architect, 23. blur, 24. horizon, 25. lobby, 26. wetland, 27. translate, 28. surreal

29. su____l number *adj.* strange and unreal; having an oddly dreamlike quality
30. co____t with nature *v.* to live or exist together at the same time in the same place
31. me__e those systems into a new one *v.* to combine or integrate things, or to cause this to happen
32. ur__n property owners *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
33. basin-shaped va____y *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
34. in____e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
35. a ra____m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
36. in____e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
37. the co____r of the earth's surface *n.* the outline of its shape or form; a line drawn on a map connecting points of equal height
38. spinal cu____re *n.* the degree to which a line or surface deviates from being straight or flat; a measure of the amount of bending of a curve
39. pr____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

ANSWERS: 29. surreal, 30. coexist, 31. merge, 32. urban, 33. valley, 34. invite, 35. random, 36. invite, 37. contour, 38. curvature, 39. principle

40. re_____e his thirst *v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe
41. a ha_____y of colors *n.* the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties
42. tr_____te the emotion to a movement *v.* to convert or change words into another language
43. me__e into a new party *v.* to combine or integrate things, or to cause this to happen
44. co_____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
45. ex_____e our options *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
46. op__a performance *n.* a drama set to music, in which the words are sung rather than spoken
47. time ex_____on *n.* a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line
48. an energy eff_____cy *n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money
49. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

ANSWERS: 40. relieve, 41. harmony, 42. translate, 43. merge, 44. combine, 45. explore, 46. opera, 47. extension, 48. efficiency, 49. construct

50. res_____al property *adj.* relating to, suitable for, or used for living in
51. art cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
52. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
53. ancient amp_____ter *n.* an open-air theater, usually circular or oval, with tiers of seats surrounding a central performance area
54. in a so_____ss manner *adj.* having no attractive or exciting character that makes people happy; lacking sensitivity or the capacity for deep feeling
55. afraid to show em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
56. dy_____cs of economy *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
57. ex_____e the world *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
58. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
59. ex____d a line *v.* to broaden in scope, range, or area

ANSWERS: 50. residential, 51. critic, 52. inspire, 53. amphitheater, 54. soulless, 55. emotion, 56. dynamics, 57. explore, 58. emotional, 59. extend

60. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
61. fl__d assets *n.* a substance that can flow and is not solid
62. downtown sk_____e *n.* the outline of buildings and other structures against the sky, especially when viewed from a distance
63. re___r an assessment *v.* to bring someone or something into a particular state; to provide something such as service, help, etc.
64. Euclidean ge_____ry *n.* the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces
65. dy_____cs of group *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
66. he is so_____ss and mechanical *adj.* having no attractive or exciting character that makes people happy; lacking sensitivity or the capacity for deep feeling
67. a peaceful la_____pe *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
68. in_____or decoration *n.* the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building

ANSWERS: 60. environment, 61. fluid, 62. skyline, 63. render, 64. geometry, 65. dynamics, 66. soulless, 67. landscape, 68. interior

69. wa___r far from home *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
70. higher pixel de____y *n.* the quality of compactness of a substance
71. in-s__u control *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
72. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
73. active vo____o *n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.
74. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
75. an in___r pool *adj.* located, happened, or used inside a building
76. wa___r alone in a strange country *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
77. telephone ex_____on *n.* a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line

ANSWERS: 69. wander, 70. density, 71. situ, 72. opportune, 73. volcano, 74. complexity, 75. indoor, 76. wander, 77. extension

78. an indomitable sp___t *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
79. outdoor amp_____ter *n.* an open-air theater, usually circular or oval, with tiers of seats surrounding a central performance area
80. l__t sagging skin *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
81. motion b__r *n.* a faint or indistinct image or sound; something that is not clear or distinct; (verb) to become unclear; to lose clear vision
82. we_____d ecosystem *adj.* land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs
83. vo_____o alert level *n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.
84. co_____r lines *n.* the outline of its shape or form; a line drawn on a map connecting points of equal height
85. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

ANSWERS: 78. spirit, 79. amphitheater, 80. lift, 81. blur, 82. wetland, 83. volcano, 84. contour, 85. separate

86. sk____e view *n.* the outline of buildings and other structures against the sky, especially when viewed from a distance
87. re____e stress *v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe
88. plenty of fl__ds *n.* a substance that can flow and is not solid
89. pre-mo___n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
90. ex-s__u conservation *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
91. cognitive com____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
92. cu__c meter *adj.* having the shape of a cube or being of three dimensions; measured in units that are the third power of a linear unit
93. sy___l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
94. an op____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
95. p__y speech *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
96. break a ha____y *n.* the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties

ANSWERS: 86. skyline, 87. relieve, 88. fluid, 89. modern, 90. situ, 91. complexity, 92. cubic, 93. symbol, 94. opportune, 95. pity, 96. harmony

97. 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
98. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
99. a picture fr__e *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
100. a hotel lo__y *n.* a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation
101. the event ho_____n of a black hole *n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
102. morning su_____ne *n.* the direct light and heat that comes from the sun
103. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
104. sc_____y painting *n.* the natural features of a landscape or environment, viewed particularly in terms of their aesthetic appeal; the visual elements that constitute a play's backdrop or setting
105. wanted cr_____al *n.* a person who has committed a crime

ANSWERS: 97. decide, 98. environment, 99. frame, 100. lobby, 101. horizon, 102. sunshine, 103. strategy, 104. scenery, 105. criminal

106. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
107. ob_____e a tradition *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
108. mo____y my behavior *v.* to change something slightly, such as a plan, option, law, etc., especially to make it more suitable for a particular purpose
109. va____y bottom *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
110. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
111. su_____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
112. co_____e fiercely *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
113. control my em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
114. a fence sur_____ng a castle *adj.* that is near or around, or closely encircling something
115. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

ANSWERS: 106. tradition, 107. observe, 108. modify, 109. valley, 110. emotional, 111. surround, 112. compete, 113. emotion, 114. surrounding, 115. tradition

116. hi_____se office *adj.* describing a tall building or structure that has many floors or levels above the ground, often used to describe residential or commercial buildings in urban areas with multiple stories
117. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
118. lo____e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
119. the bo_____ry between reality and fantasy *n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
120. better fuel eff_____cy *n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money
121. l__t a ban on alcohol *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
122. cr_____al investigation *n.* a person who has committed a crime
123. na_____ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
124. pr_____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
125. personal na_____ve *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
126. first design sk____hes *n.* a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something

ANSWERS: 116. high-rise, 117. inspire, 118. locate, 119. boundary, 120. efficiency, 121. lift, 122. criminal, 123. narrative, 124. principle, 125. narrative, 126. sketch

127. military st____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
128. hum_____de climate change *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
129. or_____c soils *adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals
130. a dr_____ic rescue at sea *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
131. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
132. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
133. ur__n planning *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
134. landscape ar_____ct *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
135. eat or_____c food *adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals
136. ballad op__a *n.* a drama set to music, in which the words are sung rather than spoken
137. ro_____p live *n.* the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes

ANSWERS: 127. strategy, 128. human-made, 129. organic, 130. dramatic, 131. decide, 132. separate, 133. urban, 134. architect, 135. organic, 136. opera, 137. rooftop

138. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
139. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
140. a penciled sk____h *n.* a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something
141. the worst hum_____de disaster *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
142. mys_____us stranger *adj.* difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
143. lo____e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
144. und_____th the surface of the water *adv.* under or below something else
145. re____t all imperfect merchandise *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
146. la_____pe painting *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
147. population de_____y *n.* the quality of compactness of a substance
148. mys_____us object *adj.* difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement

ANSWERS: 138. construct, 139. relation, 140. sketch, 141. human-made, 142. mysterious, 143. locate, 144. underneath, 145. reject, 146. landscape, 147. density, 148. mysterious

149. cu__c structure *adj.* having the shape of a cube or being of three dimensions; measured in units that are the third power of a linear unit
150. plenty of in____or space *n.* the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
151. the fr__e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
152. arc_____ure design *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
153. a res_____al district *adj.* relating to, suitable for, or used for living in
154. classic arc_____ure *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
155. the to__r on a cliff *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
156. field of fun_____al medicine *adj.* designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service
157. und_____th the laughter *adv.* under or below something else
158. re__t the proposal *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
159. designed for in__r use *adj.* located, happened, or used inside a building
160. a stone wall su_____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody

ANSWERS: 149. cubic, 150. interior, 151. frame, 152. architecture, 153. residential, 154. architecture, 155. tower, 156. functional, 157. underneath, 158. reject, 159. indoor, 160. surround

161. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
162. a bell to__r *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
163. allow self-p__y *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
164. ex___d the warranty *v.* to broaden in scope, range, or area
165. hi_____se building *adj.* describing a tall building or structure that has many floors or levels above the ground, often used to describe residential or commercial buildings in urban areas with multiple stories
166. the degree of cu_____re *n.* the degree to which a line or surface deviates from being straight or flat; a measure of the amount of bending of a curve
167. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
168. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
169. sp___t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
170. st_____m seating *n.* a large, usually roofless building with tiers of seats for spectators at sports or other events

ANSWERS: 161. combine, 162. tower, 163. pity, 164. extend, 165. high-rise, 166. curvature, 167. obvious, 168. obvious, 169. spirit, 170. stadium

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The island was formed by a _____ millions of years ago.
n. a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.
2. Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political _____ in Europe.
n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
3. The camera's focus was off, and the image was a _____ of colors and shapes.
n. a faint or indistinct image or sound; something that is not clear or distinct; (verb) to become unclear; to lose clear vision
4. The _____ of the Atlantic coast of America is very complicated.
n. the outline of its shape or form; a line drawn on a map connecting points of equal height
5. The city's _____ area is known for its quiet streets and beautiful homes.
adj. relating to, suitable for, or used for living in
6. The statement had a _____ impact on house prices.
adj. very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
7. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
8. _____ the text from Italian into English.
v. to convert or change words into another language

ANSWERS: 1. volcano, 2. landscape, 3. blur, 4. contour, 5. residential, 6. dramatic, 7. modern, 8. Translate

9. You must _____ with others to obtain this position.
v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
10. The baseball _____ was filled with excited fans eagerly awaiting the start of the game.
n. a large, usually roofless building with tiers of seats for spectators at sports or other events
11. The package was a _____ shape, which made it easier to stack on the shelf.
adj. having the shape of a cube or being of three dimensions; measured in units that are the third power of a linear unit
12. The performers took to the stage in the _____ center, surrounded by cheering fans.
n. an open-air theater, usually circular or oval, with tiers of seats surrounding a central performance area
13. 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
14. She is a _____ of strength for our team in trouble.
n. a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
15. The city is known for its impressive _____ and beautiful old buildings.
n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
16. They are building an _____ to the house to add more bedrooms.
n. a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line

ANSWERS: 9. compete, 10. stadium, 11. cubic, 12. amphitheater's, 13. decide, 14. tower, 15. architecture, 16. extension

17. The _____ mountains make the city difficult to be invaded.

adj. that is near or around, or closely encircling something

18. She is sitting in a tree with a _____ look after hearing the news.

adj. having no attractive or exciting character that makes people happy; lacking sensitivity or the capacity for deep feeling

19. It is important to _____ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

20. Yesterday, I created a rough _____ of the plan.

n. a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something

21. I often _____ around the park for half an hour.

v. to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

22. The kidney is an _____ component of the body.

adj. of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals

23. He wandered the _____ between life and death by gunfire.

n. a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

24. She loves going to the _____ house and hearing the beautiful music.

n. a drama set to music, in which the words are sung rather than spoken

ANSWERS: 17. surrounding, 18. soulless, 19. observe, 20. sketch, 21. wander, 22. organic, 23. boundary, 24. opera

25. It is a _____ that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.
n. a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
26. Do you know the _____ of the population in Hong Kong?
n. the quality of compactness of a substance
27. 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
28. Her visit will _____ from Monday to Friday.
v. to broaden in scope, range, or area
29. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.
n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
30. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
31. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
32. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
33. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
adj. easy to see, discover or understand

ANSWERS: 25. pity, 26. density, 27. relations, 28. extend, 29. principle, 30. context, 31. strategy, 32. locate, 33. obvious

34. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.
- n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
35. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.
- v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
36. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.
- n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
37. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
- n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
38. The police are searching for the _____ who stole the jewels.
- n.* a person who has committed a crime
39. Only a small number of _____ utilities offer sanitation services.
- adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
40. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
- v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
41. To find drunk drivers, police conduct _____ tests.
- adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

ANSWERS: 34. spirit, 35. rejected, 36. symbol, 37. environment, 38. criminal, 39. urban, 40. constructs, 41. random

42. Melanoma in _____ is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.
adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
43. The beautiful _____ along the coast took our breath away.
n. the natural features of a landscape or environment, viewed particularly in terms of their aesthetic appeal; the visual elements that constitute a play's backdrop or setting
44. The different species can _____ in the same ecosystem by filling different niches and using different resources.
v. to live or exist together at the same time in the same place
45. The penny fell _____ the piano.
adv. under or below something else
46. 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
47. We worked in perfect _____.
n. the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties
48. They held the dinner party on the _____ terrace, enjoying the beautiful view of the city.
n. the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes

ANSWERS: 42. situ, 43. scenery, 44. coexist, 45. underneath, 46. invite, 47. harmony, 48. rooftop

49. This consulting firm decided to _____ the two companies into one.
- v. to combine or integrate things, or to cause this to happen
50. The management must _____ strategies to increase office security.
- v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
51. As the sun set, the colors of the sky merged with the _____ creating a beautiful orange and pink hue.
- n. the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
52. The mathematician pioneered fractal _____.
- n. the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces
53. The relationship _____ between the two countries were complex and constantly changing.
- n. the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
54. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.
- n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
55. Our company must continue to strive for greater _____.
- n. the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money
56. The building _____ tried to build the house above the tree.
- n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

ANSWERS: 49. merge, 50. explore, 51. horizon, 52. geometry, 53. dynamics, 54. narrative, 55. efficiency, 56. architect

57. The _____ of the earth can be seen from space.

- n.* the degree to which a line or surface deviates from being straight or flat; a measure of the amount of bending of a curve

58. The dreamlike quality of the painting gave it a _____ feel.

- adj.* strange and unreal; having an oddly dreamlike quality

59. We use adverbs to _____ verbs and adjectives.

- v.* to change something slightly, such as a plan, option, law, etc., especially to make it more suitable for a particular purpose

60. The medicine _____ his headache, and he felt much better.

- v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe

61. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

- n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

62. The bridge is a _____ structure and was built to span the river.

- adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial

63. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.

- v.* to be all around something or somebody

64. Living in a _____ apartment offers spectacular views of the city.

- adj.* describing a tall building or structure that has many floors or levels above the ground, often used to describe residential or commercial buildings in urban areas with multiple stories

ANSWERS: 57. curvature, 58. surreal, 59. modify, 60. relieved, 61. tradition, 62. human-made, 63. surround, 64. high-rise

65. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

66. The mobile phone was still _____ even after being dropped.

adj. designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service

67. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

adj. relating to people's feelings

68. The _____ of the city was dotted with tall buildings.

n. the outline of buildings and other structures against the sky, especially when viewed from a distance

69. She was diagnosed with a _____ buildup in her lungs.

n. a substance that can flow and is not solid

70. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

71. The painter focused on the moody _____ of abandoned buildings in his work.

n. the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building

72. That _____ group actively advocated environmental protection to the government.

n. a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation

ANSWERS: 65. separate, 66. functional, 67. emotional, 68. skyline, 69. fluid, 70. combine, 71. interiors, 72. lobby

73. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
74. The _____ had received a mild snowfall the previous week.
n. a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
75. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
76. The _____ disappearance of the ship remains unsolved.
adj. difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
77. The drought _____ the prices of grain globally.
v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
78. The _____ area was home to many different species of birds.
adj. land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs
79. The detective looked for fingerprints on the window _____.
n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
80. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

ANSWERS: 73. inspired, 74. valley, 75. opportune, 76. mysterious, 77. lifted, 78. wetland, 79. frame, 80. complexity

81. The _____ was so bright that I had to wear sunglasses to protect my eyes.

n. the direct light and heat that comes from the sun

82. The jury must _____ a decision on this complex case.

v. to bring someone or something into a particular state; to provide something such as service, help, etc.

83. Table tennis is an _____ sport.

adj. located, happened, or used inside a building

84. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

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

85. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.

n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

ANSWERS: 81. sunshine, 82. render, 83. indoor, 84. critics, 85. emotions