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Session 1: Word List

royal

adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

synonym: imperial, noble, aristocratic

(1) a **royal** palace, (2) prince **royal**

She is willing to give up her position in the **royal** family to marry him.

coronation

n. a ceremony at which a person becomes king or queen

synonym: crowning, enthronement, investiture

(1) **coronation** ceremony, (2) the **coronation** robes

The **coronation** of the new king was a grand event.

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.

ornate

adj. elaborately or excessively decorated

synonym: decorative, elaborate, fancy

(1) **ornate** ceiling, (2) depicted in **ornate** detail
She wore an **ornate** necklace to the formal event.

crown

n. a circular ornamental headdress, worn as a symbol of authority by a king, usually made of gold and precious stones

synonym: tiara, headdress, royalty

(1) the imperial **crown**, (2) the **crown** and throne
The bishop bestowed the golden **crown** on the king.

scepter

n. a ceremonial staff or rod that represents authority or power, often carried by monarchs or other high-ranking officials; a symbol of royalty or sovereignty

synonym: royal staff, staff, wand

(1) hold a **scepter**, (2) royal **scepter**
The royal palace had a room designed to store the king's **scepter** and crown jewels.

ascend

v. to go or move upward; to become king or queen; to inherit something, such as a power

synonym: rise, climb, go up

(1) **ascend** the ladder, (2) **ascend** to power
The plane began to **ascend** into the sky.

throne

n. a chair or seat of state for a monarch or other high-ranking person; the position of being a king or queen

synonym: seat, throne, chair

(1) abdicate the **throne**, (2) imperial **throne**
The king sat on his **throne**, surveying his kingdom.

towering

adj. very tall or high, often to an impressive or intimidating degree; powerful or dominant in influence or stature

synonym: lofty, tall, excessive

(1) **towering** trees, (2) **towering** mountain

The **towering** skyscraper blocked out the sun on the street below.

cheer

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

synonym: comfort, encourage, hearten

(1) **cheer** for the home team, (2) **cheer** me up

Supporters in the stands **cheered** at every goal.

onlooker

n. a person who watches an event or situation without directly participating, often as a spectator or bystander

synonym: bystander, spectator, watcher

(1) curious **onlooker**, (2) spectating **onlooker**

Many **onlookers** gathered at the beach to witness the rare sea turtle hatching.

enslave

v. to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action

synonym: coerce, deprive, imprison

(1) **enslave** poor peasants, (2) **enslave** indigenous people

Her beauty **enslaved** me completely.

accompany

v. to go somewhere or travel with someone or something

synonym: follow, escort, attend

(1) **accompany** a chicken dish, (2) **accompany** the book

Please let me know if you want to **accompany** me to my hometown.

aid

n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support

synonym: helper, resource, assistance

(1) financial **aid**, (2) country-by-country **aid** programs

Pakistan's **aid** budget was still being reviewed.

revolutionary

adj. relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change

synonym: radical, innovative, groundbreaking

(1) **revolutionary** change, (2) enforce **revolutionary** justice

The **revolutionary** leader inspired others to join the fight for freedom and democracy.

savannah

n. a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close

synonym: grassland, plain

(1) **savannah** region, (2) tropical **savannah**

The birds live in tropical forests, **savannahs**, and arid semi-desert environments.

prolong

v. to extend the duration or length of something, particularly a period of time or an event

synonym: extend, lengthen, stretch

(1) **prolong** the agony, (2) measures to **prolong** the lifespan

We need to **prolong** the meeting for another hour to discuss all the issues.

siege

n. the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it

synonym: blockade, encirclement, barricade

(1) hostage **siege**, (2) lay **siege** to his house

People began storing up food and supplies for the **siege**.

encounter

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

synonym: meet, run into, come across

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

I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

violent

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

synonym: aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

revolution

n. a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

synonym: coup, innovation, rebellion

(1) beginning of the industrial **revolution**, (2) a political **revolution**

The **revolution** by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

survive

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

synonym: endure, persist, stay

(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash

These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym: directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

mason

n. a skilled worker who builds structures with stone, brick, or concrete

synonym: bricklayer, stonemason, masonry worker

(1) **mason** jar, (2) the craft of a **mason**

The accomplished **mason** expertly crafted the stone walls of the castle.

colony

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

synonym: settlement, territory, plantation

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

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

slave

n. a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person

synonym: captive, bondservant, hard worker

(1) a **slave** of drink, (2) a **slave** trader

You should work hard but not be a **slave** to it.

rebellion

n. an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler

synonym: insurrection, uprising, revolt

(1) **rebellion** leader, (2) excite **rebellion**

The antigovernment **rebellion** was put down quickly by the government's military forces.

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.

rebel

n. someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it

synonym: insurgent, dissenter, mutineer

(1) **rebel** uprising, (2) group of **rebels**

The **rebels** fought against the government for their independence.

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

synonym: interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**

He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

rank

n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

synonym : position, status, standing

(1) **rank** amateur, (2) high **rank**

He was promoted to the **rank** of captain in the military.

liberate

v. to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression

synonym : emancipate, release, set free

(1) **liberate** people from oppression, (2) **liberate** potential

The prisoners were **liberated** after the war ended.

autonomous

adj. capable of governing or controlling its affairs

synonym : independent, self-governing, self-reliant

(1) development of **autonomous** vehicles, (2) an **autonomous** judiciary

Five of the six provinces will become **autonomous** regions under the new federal system of government.

assume

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

synonym : guess, presume, suppose

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

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

slavery

n. the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work

synonym : bondage, servitude, enslavement

(1) **slavery** labor, (2) institution of **slavery**

The abolition of **slavery** in the United States was a major

achievement in the fight for human rights.

empire

n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
synonym : imperium, conglomerate, kingdom

(1) **empire** building, (2) **empire** of the Maya
He has built a thriving e-commerce **empire**.

attempt

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

synonym : endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**

The third **attempt** was far more successful.

reinstate

v. to restore or bring back to a previous position, status, or condition; to return someone to a former job or position which they previously held

synonym : restore, bring back, revive

(1) **reinstate** a policy, (2) **reinstate** a team member

The boss decided to **reinstate** the recently fired employee after realizing their mistake.

fierce

adj. severe and violent in a way that is frightening

synonym : ferocious, convulsive, forceful

(1) **fierce** competition, (2) a **fierce** animal

The **fierce** thunders echoed across the plain.

resistance

n. the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something

synonym : opposition, antagonism, defiance

(1) **resistance** movement, (2) **resistance** to insulin

The bill to increase the consumption tax had passed despite much **resistance** from the public.

military

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

synonym : armed, martial, warlike

(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader

The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

occupation

n. a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession

synonym: job, profession, vocation

(1) **occupation** disease, (2) **occupation** of a building

The police stopped the suspicious person and asked him to give his name, address, and **occupation**.

outbreak

n. a sudden start of something, usually a disease or something dangerous or unpleasant

synonym: eruption, outburst, explosion

(1) infectious disease **outbreaks**, (2) the **outbreak** of hostilities

The government predicts an epidemic **outbreak** of multiple viruses, including coronaviruses and influenza.

withdraw

v. to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something

synonym: retract, remove, back out

(1) **withdraw** from public life, (2) **withdraw** \$500 from my account

The company decided to **withdraw** its proposal due to public opposition.

casualty

n. a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim

synonym: victim, injured, fatality

(1) civilian **casualty**, (2) military **casualty**

Unfortunately, the driver was the only **casualty** in the car accident.

capture

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

synonym:

catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts
I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

prominent

adj. important, well-known, or noticeable

synonym: notable, distinguished, prominent

(1) **prominent** figure, (2) play a **prominent** role

The media frequently interviewed **prominent** scientists.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym: administration, regime, state

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

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

proclaim

v. to announce or state something publicly and forcefully

synonym: announce, declare, trumpet

(1) **proclaim** victory, (2) **proclaim** law

The leader **proclaimed** a state of emergency in the country.

emperor

n. the male ruler of an empire

synonym: ruler, king, dictator

(1) **emperor** of Rome, (2) former **emperor**

The **Emperor** once lived in the vast palace.

independence

n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence

synonym: freedom, liberty, autonomy

(1) financial **independence**, (2) **independence** ceremony

There is nothing more valuable than **independence** and freedom.

desire

n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

synonym: ambition, appetite, greed

(1) unsatisfied **desire**, (2) fleshly **desire**

Low sexual **desire** typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

exclusive

adj. not divided or shared with others

synonym : sole, deluxe, limited

(1) **exclusive** authority, (2) **exclusive** clubs

The condo offers **exclusive** access to the beach.

alienated

adj. feeling isolated, estranged, or disconnected from others, often due to a sense of difference or lack of belonging

synonym : isolated, estranged, disconnected

(1) **alienated** from my parents, (2) become **alienated**

The new employee felt **alienated** from the rest of the team, as they didn't try to include him in their conversations.

eventually

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

synonym : finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

incite

v. to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive

synonym : provoke, stimulate, encourage

(1) **incite** violence, (2) **incite** rebellion

The politician's speech seemed designed to **incite** anger and unrest among the crowd.

conspiracy

n. a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something harmful or illegal

synonym : plot, collaboration, scheme

(1) political **conspiracy**, (2) **conspiracy** theory

There was a **conspiracy** of silence about illegal police interrogation.

assassination

n. the act of killing a public figure, especially a political leader, usually for political or religious motives

synonym: murder, killing, execution

(1) failed **assassination** attempt, (2) **assassination** plot

The **assassination** of the president sent shockwaves through the nation.

subsequent

adj. happening or occurring later or after something else

synonym: later, following, ensuing

(1) over **subsequent** months, (2) reduce **subsequent** mortality

In the **subsequent** meeting, the team discussed ways to improve productivity.

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.

split

v. to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line

synonym: break, divide, break apart

(1) **split** a bill, (2) **split** a reward equally

Companies often **split** their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.

govern

v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

synonym: control, rule, preside

(1) a nation's right to **govern**, (2) **govern** a public enterprise

The regulations **governing** medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

president

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

synonym : leader, CEO, chairperson

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

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

democracy

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

synonym : self-government, republic, commonwealth

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

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

republic

n. a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch

synonym : democracy, federation, commonwealth

(1) **republic** democracy, (2) the **republic** of art

The United States is a federal presidential constitutional **republic**.

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.

colonial

adj. of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony

synonym : imperial, immigrant, gregarious

(1) oppressive **colonial** rule, (2) **colonial** style

The city has a rich **colonial** history, with many historic buildings and landmarks.

nation

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

synonym : country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

policy

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

synonym : strategy, plan, guideline

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

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

endear

v. to make someone loved or appreciated or to cause someone to feel fondness or affection for someone or something

synonym : fondle, cherish, love

(1) **endear** a character to young readers, (2) **endear** to everyone

The baby's smile **endeared** her to everyone who saw her.

economy

n. the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

synonym : finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

converse

v. to talk informally

synonym: discourse, discuss, exchange

(1) **converse** with an acquaintance, (2) ask a **converse** question

She enjoyed the opportunity to **converse** with a person who spoke her language.

aggressive

adj. behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly

synonym: assertive, combative, threatening

(1) an **aggressive** war, (2) an **aggressive** tumor

An **aggressive** tide wrecked the ship.

redistribute

v. to share something among people in a different way

synonym: rearrange, readjust, reconstruct

(1) **redistribute** income fairly, (2) **redistribute** data

The general **redistributed** the troops more strategically.

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.

agriculture

n. the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock

synonym: farming, husbandry, agribusiness

(1) organic **agriculture**, (2) intensive **agriculture**

Agriculture is the foundation of our economy.

pledge

v. to make a formal promise to give or do something

synonym: promise, assure, guarantee

(1) **pledge** my fidelity, (2) **pledge** military assistance

At this ceremony, We will **pledge** allegiance to the country's flag.

interference

n. the act or process of getting involved in and trying to influence a specific situation; the state of being affected and influenced with

synonym : obstruction, hindrance, impedance

(1) officious **interference**, (2) **interference** wave

Unfortunately, the radio **interference** made it difficult to hear the broadcast.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym : enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

citadel

n. a fortress, typically on high ground, used to protect and defend a city, town, or other strategic location

synonym : fortress, stronghold, bastion

(1) medieval **citadel**, (2) fortress **citadel**

The ancient **citadel** provided a vantage point for soldiers to watch over the city.

invade

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

synonym : intrude, raid, overrun

(1) **invade** other tissues, (2) **invade** his privacy

I have no intention to **invade** your privacy.

accomplish

v. to finish or achieve something successfully

synonym : achieve, complete, execute

(1) **accomplish** a goal, (2) **accomplish** military operations

Humankind took centuries to **accomplish** true democracy.

institute

n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

synonym : academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**
This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

mandatory

adj. required by a rule or law, compulsory
synonym: compulsory, obligatory, required

(1) a **mandatory** clause, (2) **mandatory** training
Attendance at the meeting is **mandatory** for all employees.

labor

n. productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
synonym: toil, toil, donkeywork

(1) seasonal **labor**, (2) manual **labor**
In several countries, child **labor** is a serious social problem.

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.

reign

n. the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen
synonym: rule, governance, sovereignty

(1) **reign** of a dictator, (2) **reign** as sovereign
The dictator's **reign** was characterized by widespread human rights abuses and suppression of political opposition.

elegant

adj. pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement
synonym: refined, sophisticated, graceful

(1) **elegant** design, (2) write **elegant** sentences
She wore an **elegant** evening gown to the gala.

palace

n. the residence of a high-ranking official such as a king, queen, etc.

synonym : mansion, manor, castle

(1) a **palace** garden, (2) ancestral **palace**

The imperial **palace** is currently undergoing reforms.

kingdom

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

synonym : empire, realm, land

(1) establish his **kingdom**, (2) a subordinate **kingdom**

By remaining neutral, this **kingdom** continued to exist.

oversee

v. to watch and direct someone or something to make sure that it is being done correctly

synonym : manage, command, supervise

(1) **oversee** the process, (2) properly **oversee** the staff

A committee was appointed to **oversee** a huge budget.

develop

v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

synonym : evolve, progress, advance

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

We must **develop** a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

renowned

adj. famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.

synonym : noted, prominent, acclaimed

(1) a **renowned** artist, (2) **renowned** as a novelist

This area is **renowned** for its hot springs.

initially

adv. at the beginning; at first

synonym : originally, primarily, firstly

(1) **initially** anticipated, (2) diagnosed **initially** as a tumor

This train departed later than **initially** scheduled.

mandate

n. an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task

synonym : command, instruction, authority

(1) **mandate** obligation, (2) an Imperial **mandate**

The **mandate** given to the new government is to improve the economy.

uncomfortable

adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

synonym : comfortless, discomforting, painful

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

His abusive words made me **uncomfortable**.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym : demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym : more and more, progressively

(1) **increasingly** become common, (2) face **increasingly** complicated challenges

Our company found it **increasingly** difficult to keep up with the competition.

authoritarian

adj. characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights

synonym :

dictatorial, totalitarian, despotic

(1) **authoritarian** practice, (2) **authoritarian** government
The **authoritarian** leadership style left no room for dissent or alternative opinions.

opponent

n. a person against whom you are playing or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc.

synonym: adversary, competitor, enemy

(1) computer **opponent**, (2) death-penalty **opponent**
He was attempting to confuse his **opponent**.

strength

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

synonym: resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**
Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

tragic

adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

synonym: calamitous, disastrous, catastrophic

(1) **tragic** love stories, (2) **tragic** death

The **tragic** events of the war left many families torn apart.

conclude

v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

synonym: complete, finish, decide

(1) **conclude** a meeting, (2) **conclude** that he is healthy
We **concluded** a cease-fire.

debilitating

adj. weakening or damaging; causing a loss of strength, energy, or success

synonym: weakening, exhausting

(1) **debilitating** virus, (2) **debilitating** effect

His **debilitating** illness made it difficult for him to leave the house.

stroke

n. a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

synonym : blow

(1) suffer **stroke**, (2) a **stroke** of the putter

This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat **stroke** cases.

defect

n. an imperfection, shortcoming, or lack of something or someone

synonym : fault, blemish, flaw

(1) visual **defects**, (2) **defects** of character

Defects in the design could cause much worse issues.

despondent

adj. in low spirits; feeling or showing extreme discouragement or gloom

synonym : hopeless, despairing, discouraged

(1) feel **despondent**, (2) a **despondent** mood

After her dog passed away, she was **despondent** for weeks, unable to find joy.

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.

suicide

n. the act of killing yourself intentionally

synonym : self-destruction, self-annihilation, felo-de-se

(1) commit **suicide**, (2) **suicide** attack

In an economically prosperous country, most male **suicide** is due to child support problems.

trace

v. to find or discover someone or something that was lost

synonym : seek, follow, depict

(1) **trace** a telephone call, (2) **trace** back to medieval times
Let's **trace** the origins of some familiar foreign words.

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.

crumble

v. to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support

synonym: disintegrate, collapse, deteriorate

(1) **crumble** to dust, (2) began to **crumble** under financial pressure

The old building was starting to **crumble** due to years of neglect and lack of maintenance.

permanent

adj. lasting for a long time without essential change

synonym: lasting, ceaseless, endless

(1) literature of **permanent** value, (2) **permanent** life insurance

She is searching for a **permanent** residence.

abolish

v. to do away with completely; to put an end to

synonym: cancel, repeal, annul

(1) **abolish** slavery, (2) **abolish** censorship

The government voted to **abolish** the outdated law.

Session 2: Spelling

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|---------------------------------|--|
| 1. re_____ed as a novelist | <i>adj.</i> famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc. |
| 2. pr_____im law | <i>v.</i> to announce or state something publicly and forcefully |
| 3. imm_____ly recall a product | <i>adv.</i> now or without delay |
| 4. em___e building | <i>n.</i> a group of countries ruled by one leader or government |
| 5. a fi___e animal | <i>adj.</i> severe and violent in a way that is frightening |
| 6. sl_____y labor | <i>n.</i> the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work |
| 7. co_____de that he is healthy | <i>v.</i> to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning |
| 8. suffer st___e | <i>n.</i> a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc. |
| 9. re___n information | <i>v.</i> to keep or continue to possess or maintain something |
| 10. re__n as sovereign | <i>n.</i> the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen |
| 11. en_____e indigenous people | <i>v.</i> to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action |

ANSWERS: 1. renowned, 2. proclaim, 3. immediately, 4. empire, 5. fierce, 6. slavery, 7. conclude, 8. stroke, 9. retain, 10. reign, 11. enslave

12. in___e rebellion *v.* to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive
13. to_____ng mountain *adj.* very tall or high, often to an impressive or intimidating degree; powerful or dominant in influence or stature
14. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
15. ma_____e obligation *n.* an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task
16. r__k amateur *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
17. play a pr_____nt role *adj.* important, well-known, or noticeable
18. depicted in or___e detail *adj.* elaborately or excessively decorated
19. death-penalty op_____nt *n.* a person against whom you are playing or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc.
20. 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
21. an aut_____us judiciary *adj.* capable of governing or controlling its affairs
22. aut_____ian practice *adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights

ANSWERS: 12. incite, 13. towering, 14. industrious, 15. mandate, 16. rank, 17. prominent, 18. ornate, 19. opponent, 20. struggle, 21. autonomous, 22. authoritarian

23. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
24. wi_____aw \$500 from my account *v.* to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something
25. em____e of the Maya *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
26. co_____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
27. re_____te a policy *v.* to restore or bring back to a previous position, status, or condition; to return someone to a former job or position which they previously held
28. res_____ce to insulin *n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
29. in_____e violence *v.* to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive
30. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
31. en_____e poor peasants *v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action
32. tr____c death *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
33. cr_____e to dust *v.* to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support

ANSWERS: 23. survive, 24. withdraw, 25. empire, 26. conclude, 27. reinstate, 28. resistance, 29. incite, 30. massive, 31. enslave, 32. tragic, 33. crumble

34. ch__r me up *v.* to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval
35. a sl__e of drink *n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person
36. ac_____ny the book *v.* to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
37. feel des_____nt *adj.* in low spirits; feeling or showing extreme discouragement or gloom
38. ma__n jar *n.* a skilled worker who builds structures with stone, brick, or concrete
39. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
40. thu_____us noise *adj.* producing or accompanied by a loud, deep, rumbling sound, like that of thunder; intense, forceful, or impressive
41. al_____ed from my parents *adj.* feeling isolated, estranged, or disconnected from others, often due to a sense of difference or lack of belonging
42. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
43. a mi_____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
44. with an unc_____ble face *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

ANSWERS: 34. cheer, 35. slave, 36. accompany, 37. despondent, 38. mason, 39. immediately, 40. thunderous, 41. alienated, 42. statistics, 43. military, 44. uncomfortable

45. the ou____ak of hostilities *n.* a sudden start of something, usually a disease or something dangerous or unpleasant
46. to____ng trees *adj.* very tall or high, often to an impressive or intimidating degree; powerful or dominant in influence or stature
47. en____r to everyone *v.* to make someone loved or appreciated or to cause someone to feel fondness or affection for someone or something
48. occ____on of a building *n.* a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession
49. red____ute data *v.* to share something among people in a different way
50. de____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
51. abdicate the th____e *n.* a chair or seat of state for a monarch or other high-ranking person; the position of being a king or queen
52. ind____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
53. a com____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
54. co____se with an acquaintance *v.* to talk informally
55. em____r of Rome *n.* the male ruler of an empire

ANSWERS: 45. outbreak, 46. towering, 47. endear, 48. occupation, 49. redistribute, 50. develop, 51. throne, 52. industrious, 53. complicated, 54. converse, 55. emperor

56. seasonal la__r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
57. become al_____ed *adj.* feeling isolated, estranged, or disconnected from others, often due to a sense of difference or lack of belonging
58. intensive agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
59. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
60. lay si__e to his house *n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it
61. imperial th___e *n.* a chair or seat of state for a monarch or other high-ranking person; the position of being a king or queen
62. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 56. labor, 57. alienated, 58. agriculture, 59. economy, 60. siege, 61. throne, 62. economy

63. over sub_____nt months *adj.* happening or occurring later or after something else
64. the cr__n and throne *n.* a circular ornamental headdress, worn as a symbol of authority by a king, usually made of gold and precious stones
65. fi___e competition *adj.* severe and violent in a way that is frightening
66. ex_____ve authority *adj.* not divided or shared with others
67. in_____ly anticipated *adv.* at the beginning; at first
68. computer op_____nt *n.* a person against whom you are playing or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc.
69. round of ap_____se *n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
70. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
71. li_____te people from oppression *v.* to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
72. ex_____ve clubs *adj.* not divided or shared with others
73. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
74. a pa___e garden *n.* the residence of a high-ranking official such as a king, queen, etc.

ANSWERS: 63. subsequent, 64. crown, 65. fierce, 66. exclusive, 67. initially, 68. opponent, 69. applause, 70. president, 71. liberate, 72. exclusive, 73. violent, 74. palace

75. en___r a character to young readers
v. to make someone loved or appreciated or to cause someone to feel fondness or affection for someone or something
76. sta_____cs for cancer
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
77. re__l uprising
n. someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
78. st_____th of the economy
n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
79. a st___e of the putter
n. a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
80. cor_____on ceremony
n. a ceremony at which a person becomes king or queen
81. fleshly de___e
n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
82. pr_____nt figure
adj. important, well-known, or noticeable
83. ch__r for the home team
v. to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval
84. tropical sa_____ah
n. a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close
85. tr___e back to medieval times
v. to find or discover someone or something that was lost

ANSWERS: 75. endear, 76. statistics, 77. rebel, 78. strength, 79. stroke, 80. coronation, 81. desire, 82. prominent, 83. cheer, 84. savannah, 85. trace

86. in___e his privacy *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
87. an Imperial ma_____e *n.* an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task
88. earn ap_____se *n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
89. go___n a public enterprise *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
90. or___e ceiling *adj.* elaborately or excessively decorated
91. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
92. infectious disease ou_____aks *n.* a sudden start of something, usually a disease or something dangerous or unpleasant
93. hold a sc_____r *n.* a ceremonial staff or rod that represents authority or power, often carried by monarchs or other high-ranking officials; a symbol of royalty or sovereignty
94. con_____cy theory *n.* a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something harmful or illegal
95. su_____e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

ANSWERS: 86. invade, 87. mandate, 88. applause, 89. govern, 90. ornate, 91. democracy, 92. outbreak, 93. scepter, 94. conspiracy, 95. survive

96. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
97. literature of pe_____nt value *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
98. ass_____ion plot *n.* the act of killing a public figure, especially a political leader, usually for political or religious motives
99. inc_____gly become common *adv.* more and more
100. de___ts of character *n.* an imperfection, shortcoming, or lack of something or someone
101. a nation's right to go___n *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
102. country-by-country a_d programs *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
103. commit su_____e *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
104. manual la___r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
105. a mi_____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

ANSWERS: 96. assume, 97. permanent, 98. assassination, 99. increasingly, 100. defect, 101. govern, 102. aid, 103. suicide, 104. labor, 105. military

106. co_____al style *adj.* of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony
107. financial a_d *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
108. curious on_____er *n.* a person who watches an event or situation without directly participating, often as a spectator or bystander
109. sp__t a bill *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
110. ma_____ry training *adj.* required by a rule or law, compulsory
111. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
112. research in_____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
113. the cor_____on robes *n.* a ceremony at which a person becomes king or queen
114. re_____on leader *n.* an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler
115. sp__t a reward equally *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
116. high r__k *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

ANSWERS: 106. colonial, 107. aid, 108. onlooker, 109. split, 110. mandatory, 111. nation, 112. institute, 113. coronation, 114. rebellion, 115. split, 116. rank

117. the at_____t to rescue the hostages *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
118. de_____y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
119. int_____nce wave *n.* the act or process of getting involved in and trying to influence a specific situation; the state of being affected and influenced with
120. organic agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
121. rev_____ary change *adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
122. tr____c love stories *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
123. en_____er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
124. de_____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
125. li_____te potential *v.* to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
126. ov_____e the process *v.* to watch and direct someone or something to make sure that it is being done correctly
127. military ca_____ty *n.* a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim

ANSWERS: 117. attempt, 118. destroy, 119. interference, 120. agriculture, 121. revolutionary, 122. tragic, 123. encounter, 124. destroy, 125. liberate, 126. oversee, 127. casualty

128. str_____en the immune system *v.* to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective
129. res_____ce movement *n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
130. a sl__e trader *n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person
131. oppressive co_____al rule *adj.* of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony
132. acc_____sh military operations *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
133. the re_____ic of art *n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
134. ab_____h censorship *v.* to do away with completely; to put an end to
135. str_____en a border patrol *v.* to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective
136. properly ov_____e the staff *v.* to watch and direct someone or something to make sure that it is being done correctly

ANSWERS: 128. strengthen, 129. resistance, 130. slave, 131. colonial, 132. accomplish, 133. republic, 134. abolish, 135. strengthen, 136. oversee

137. pl___e military assistance *v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
138. foreign po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
139. en_____er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
140. in a co_____ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
141. strong and co_____ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
142. pe_____nt life insurance *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
143. royal sc_____r *n.* a ceremonial staff or rod that represents authority or power, often carried by monarchs or other high-ranking officials; a symbol of royalty or sovereignty
144. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
145. spectating on_____er *n.* a person who watches an event or situation without directly participating, often as a spectator or bystander

ANSWERS: 137. pledge, 138. policy, 139. encounter, 140. committed, 141. committed, 142. permanent, 143. scepter, 144. president, 145. onlooker

146. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
147. as____e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
148. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
149. in____e other tissues *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
150. financial ind_____nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
151. ask a co_____se question *v.* to talk informally
152. as____d to power *v.* to go or move upward; to become king or queen; to inherit something, such as a power
153. excite re_____on *n.* an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler
154. re____n a lawyer *v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
155. a ma_____ry clause *adj.* required by a rule or law, compulsory
156. the craft of a ma__n *n.* a skilled worker who builds structures with stone, brick, or concrete
157. pr_____im victory *v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully

ANSWERS: 146. violent, 147. assume, 148. opportune, 149. invade, 150. independence, 151. converse, 152. ascend, 153. rebellion, 154. retain, 155. mandatory, 156. mason, 157. proclaim

158. plant a co___y *n.* a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away
159. enforce rev_____ary justice *adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
160. measures to pr_____g the lifespan *v.* to extend the duration or length of something, particularly a period of time or an event
161. former em_____r *n.* the male ruler of an empire
162. in_____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
163. occ_____on disease *n.* a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession
164. establish his ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
165. reduce sub_____nt mortality *adj.* happening or occurring later or after something else
166. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
167. thu_____us roar *adj.* producing or accompanied by a loud, deep, rumbling sound, like that of thunder; intense, forceful, or impressive
168. aut_____ian government *adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights

ANSWERS: 158. colony, 159. revolutionary, 160. prolong, 161. emperor, 162. institute, 163. occupation, 164. kingdom, 165. subsequent, 166. government, 167. thunderous, 168. authoritarian

169. a ro__l palace *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
170. red_____ute income fairly *v.* to share something among people in a different way
171. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
172. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
173. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
174. acc_____sh a goal *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
175. tr__e a telephone call *v.* to find or discover someone or something that was lost
176. group of re__ls *n.* someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
177. re_____ic democracy *n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
178. health po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 169. royal, 170. redistribute, 171. eventually, 172. complicated, 173. nation, 174. accomplish, 175. trace, 176. rebel, 177. republic, 178. policy

179. a political rev_____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
180. beginning of the industrial rev_____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
181. unsatisfied de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
182. deb_____ing virus *adj.* weakening or damaging; causing a loss of strength, energy, or success
183. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
184. wi_____aw from public life *v.* to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something
185. the imperial cr__n *n.* a circular ornamental headdress, worn as a symbol of authority by a king, usually made of gold and precious stones
186. re__n of a dictator *n.* the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen
187. ancestral pa___e *n.* the residence of a high-ranking official such as a king, queen, etc.
188. a co___y of bacteria *n.* a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away
189. ca_____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

ANSWERS: 179. revolution, 180. revolution, 181. desire, 182. debilitating, 183. opportune, 184. withdraw, 185. crown, 186. reign, 187. palace, 188. colony, 189. capture

190. an agg_____ve tumor *adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
191. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
192. a subordinate ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
193. hostage si___e *n.* the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it
194. pr_____g the agony *v.* to extend the duration or length of something, particularly a period of time or an event
195. officious int_____nce *n.* the act or process of getting involved in and trying to influence a specific situation; the state of being affected and influenced with
196. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
197. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
198. medieval ci_____l *n.* a fortress, typically on high ground, used to protect and defend a city, town, or other strategic location
199. muscular st_____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
200. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
201. face inc_____gly complicated challenges *adv.* more and more

ANSWERS: 190. aggressive, 191. eventually, 192. kingdom, 193. siege, 194. prolong, 195. interference, 196. capture, 197. government, 198. citadel, 199. strength, 200. massive, 201. increasingly

202. deb_____ing effect *adj.* weakening or damaging; causing a loss of strength, energy, or success
203. an agg_____ve war *adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
204. el_____t design *adj.* pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement
205. failed ass_____ion attempt *n.* the act of killing a public figure, especially a political leader, usually for political or religious motives
206. prince ro__l *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
207. a reckless at_____t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
208. write el_____t sentences *adj.* pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement
209. the s__n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
210. development of aut_____us vehicles *adj.* capable of governing or controlling its affairs
211. ac_____ny a chicken dish *v.* to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
212. a re_____ed artist *adj.* famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.

ANSWERS: 202. debilitating, 203. aggressive, 204. elegant, 205. assassination, 206. royal, 207. attempt, 208. elegant, 209. span, 210. autonomous, 211. accompany, 212. renowned

213. visual de___ts *n.* an imperfection, shortcoming, or lack of something or someone
214. political con_____cy *n.* a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something harmful or illegal
215. pl___e my fidelity *v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
216. the average life s__n *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
217. began to cr_____e under financial pressure *v.* to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support
218. re_____te a team member *v.* to restore or bring back to a previous position, status, or condition; to return someone to a former job or position which they previously held
219. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
220. an unc_____ble silence *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
221. sa_____ah region *n.* a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close

ANSWERS: 213. defect, 214. conspiracy, 215. pledge, 216. span, 217. crumble, 218. reinstate, 219. develop, 220. uncomfortable, 221. savannah

222. ind_____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
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. fortress ci_____l *n.* a fortress, typically on high ground, used to protect and defend a city, town, or other strategic location
225. as_____d the ladder *v.* to go or move upward; to become king or queen; to inherit something, such as a power
226. a des_____nt mood *adj.* in low spirits; feeling or showing extreme discouragement or gloom
227. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
228. diagnosed in_____ly as a tumor *adv.* at the beginning; at first
229. civilian ca_____ty *n.* a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim
230. ab_____h slavery *v.* to do away with completely; to put an end to
231. su_____e attack *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
232. institution of sl_____y *n.* the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work

ANSWERS: 222. independence, 223. struggle, 224. citadel, 225. ascend, 226. despondent, 227. democracy, 228. initially, 229. casualty, 230. abolish, 231. suicide, 232. slavery

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. This train departed later than _____ scheduled.
adv. at the beginning; at first
2. Our company found it _____ difficult to keep up with the competition.
adv. more and more
3. The club _____ does not have absolute power.
n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
4. The birds live in tropical forests, _____ and arid semi-desert environments.
n. a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close
5. 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
6. The old building was starting to _____ due to years of neglect and lack of maintenance.
v. to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support
7. _____ in the design could cause much worse issues.
n. an imperfection, shortcoming, or lack of something or someone

ANSWERS: 1. initially, 2. increasingly, 3. president, 4. savannahs, 5. struggle, 6. crumble, 7. Defects

8. The ancient _____ provided a vantage point for soldiers to watch over the city.
n. a fortress, typically on high ground, used to protect and defend a city, town, or other strategic location
9. The _____ declared its independence and became a republic.
n. a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away
10. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.
n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
11. The police stopped the suspicious person and asked him to give his name, address, and _____.
n. a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession
12. Supporters in the stands _____ at every goal.
v. to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval
13. We _____ a cease-fire.
v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
14. She wore an _____ evening gown to the gala.
adj. pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement
15. The prisoners were _____ after the war ended.
v. to set free; to release or rescue from captivity or oppression
16. Unfortunately, the driver was the only _____ in the car accident.
n. a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim

ANSWERS: 8. citadel, 9. colony, 10. desire, 11. occupation, 12. cheered, 13. concluded, 14. elegant, 15. liberated, 16. casualty

17. The _____ once lived in the vast palace.
n. the male ruler of an empire
18. The United States is a federal presidential constitutional _____.
n. a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
19. The _____ leader inspired others to join the fight for freedom and democracy.
adj. relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
20. The politician's speech seemed designed to _____ anger and unrest among the crowd.
v. to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive
21. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
22. There was a _____ of silence about illegal police interrogation.
n. a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something harmful or illegal
23. People began storing up food and supplies for the _____.
n. the surrounding of a place and isolating it by an army to defeat those defending it
24. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 17. Emperor, 18. republic, 19. revolutionary, 20. incite, 21. government, 22. conspiracy, 23. siege, 24. develop

25. The baby's smile _____ her to everyone who saw her.
v. to make someone loved or appreciated or to cause someone to feel fondness or affection for someone or something
26. He was promoted to the _____ of captain in the military.
n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
27. His _____ illness made it difficult for him to leave the house.
adj. weakening or damaging; causing a loss of strength, energy, or success
28. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.
adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
29. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
30. _____ is the foundation of our economy.
n. the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
31. She enjoyed the opportunity to _____ with a person who spoke her language.
v. to talk informally
32. The company's new _____ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.
n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 25. endeared, 26. rank, 27. debilitating, 28. military, 29. opportune, 30. Agriculture, 31. converse, 32. policy

33. The third _____ was far more successful.

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

34. The city has a rich _____ history, with many historic buildings and landmarks.

adj. of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony

35. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

36. Computers help people _____ specific memories.

v. to keep or continue to possess or maintain something

37. Unfortunately, the radio _____ made it difficult to hear the broadcast.

n. the act or process of getting involved in and trying to influence a specific situation; the state of being affected and influenced with

38. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

n. the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

39. The media frequently interviewed _____ scientists.

adj. important, well-known, or noticeable

40. The royal palace had a room designed to store the king's _____ and crown jewels.

n. a ceremonial staff or rod that represents authority or power, often carried by monarchs or other high-ranking officials; a symbol of royalty or sovereignty

ANSWERS: 33. attempt, 34. colonial, 35. survive, 36. retain, 37. interference, 38. economy, 39. prominent, 40. scepter

41. Her beauty _____ me completely.

- v.* to make someone a slave; to deprive someone of their freedom of choice or action

42. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

- v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

43. The _____ given to the new government is to improve the economy.

- n.* an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task

44. The _____ burst from the audience.

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

45. The government voted to _____ the outdated law.

- v.* to do away with completely; to put an end to

46. In an economically prosperous country, most male _____ is due to child support problems.

- n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally

47. This region has many _____ offering higher education.

- n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

48. Many _____ gathered at the beach to witness the rare sea turtle hatching.

- n.* a person who watches an event or situation without directly participating, often as a spectator or bystander

ANSWERS: 41. enslaved, 42. destroyed, 43. mandate, 44. applause, 45. abolish, 46. suicide, 47. institutes, 48. onlookers

49. Difficulties _____ the mind, as labor does the body.
- v.* to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective
50. The government predicts an epidemic _____ of multiple viruses, including coronaviruses and influenza.
- n.* a sudden start of something, usually a disease or something dangerous or unpleasant
51. The bill to increase the consumption tax had passed despite much _____ from the public.
- n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
52. I'm prepared to _____ challenges throughout this adventure.
- v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
53. We need to _____ the meeting for another hour to discuss all the issues.
- v.* to extend the duration or length of something, particularly a period of time or an event
54. She wore an _____ necklace to the formal event.
- adj.* elaborately or excessively decorated
55. The _____ fought against the government for their independence.
- n.* someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
56. This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat _____ cases.
- n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

ANSWERS: 49. strengthen, 50. outbreak, 51. resistance, 52. encounter, 53. prolong, 54. ornate, 55. rebels, 56. stroke

57. An _____ tide wrecked the ship.

adj. behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly

58. The _____ events of the war left many families torn apart.

adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

59. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

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

60. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.

n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence

61. I was able to _____ the moment on film.

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

62. He was attempting to confuse his _____.

n. a person against whom you are playing or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc.

63. He has built a thriving e-commerce _____.

n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

64. A committee was appointed to _____ a huge budget.

v. to watch and direct someone or something to make sure that it is being done correctly

ANSWERS: 57. aggressive, 58. tragic, 59. nation, 60. independence, 61. capture, 62. opponent, 63. empire, 64. oversee

65. The company decided to _____ its proposal due to public opposition.
v. to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something
66. Five of the six provinces will become _____ regions under the new federal system of government.
adj. capable of governing or controlling its affairs
67. The _____ thunders echoed across the plain.
adj. severe and violent in a way that is frightening
68. This area is _____ for its hot springs.
adj. famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.
69. By remaining neutral, this _____ continued to exist.
n. the country ruled by a king or queen
70. The _____ skyscraper blocked out the sun on the street below.
adj. very tall or high, often to an impressive or intimidating degree; powerful or dominant in influence or stature
71. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.
n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
72. The king sat on his _____ surveying his kingdom.
n. a chair or seat of state for a monarch or other high-ranking person; the position of being a king or queen
73. The antigovernment _____ was put down quickly by the government's military forces.
n. an act of violent or open resistance to an established government or ruler

ANSWERS: 65. withdraw, 66. autonomous, 67. fierce, 68. renowned, 69. kingdom, 70. towering, 71. strength, 72. throne, 73. rebellion

74. The dictator's _____ was characterized by widespread human rights abuses and suppression of political opposition.
- n.* the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen
75. She is willing to give up her position in the _____ family to marry him.
- adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
76. Please let me know if you want to _____ me to my hometown.
- v.* to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
77. Humankind took centuries to _____ true democracy.
- v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
78. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.
- n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
79. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
- adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
80. Let's _____ the origins of some familiar foreign words.
- v.* to find or discover someone or something that was lost
81. The plane began to _____ into the sky.
- v.* to go or move upward; to become king or queen; to inherit something, such as a power
82. At this ceremony, We will _____ allegiance to the country's flag.
- v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something

ANSWERS: 74. reign, 75. royal, 76. accompany, 77. accomplish, 78. Democracy, 79. industrious, 80. trace, 81. ascend, 82. pledge

83. The regulations _____ medical malpractice claims are rigorous.
- v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
84. He slightly modified the _____ of training because it was just before a match.
- n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
85. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.
- adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
86. The general _____ the troops more strategically.
- v.* to share something among people in a different way
87. The leader _____ a state of emergency in the country.
- v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
88. The abolition of _____ in the United States was a major achievement in the fight for human rights.
- n.* the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work
89. The bishop bestowed the golden _____ on the king.
- n.* a circular ornamental headdress, worn as a symbol of authority by a king, usually made of gold and precious stones
90. The boss decided to _____ the recently fired employee after realizing their mistake.
- v.* to restore or bring back to a previous position, status, or condition; to return someone to a former job or position which they previously held

ANSWERS: 83. governing, 84. span, 85. violent, 86. redistributed, 87. proclaimed, 88. slavery, 89. crown, 90. reinstate

91. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
92. His abusive words made me _____.
adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
93. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.
adv. now or without delay
94. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
95. Companies often _____ their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.
v. to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
96. The _____ of the new king was a grand event.
n. a ceremony at which a person becomes king or queen
97. Pakistan's ___ budget was still being reviewed.
n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
98. In the _____ meeting, the team discussed ways to improve productivity.
adj. happening or occurring later or after something else

ANSWERS: 91. statistics, 92. uncomfortable, 93. immediately, 94. assumes, 95. split, 96. coronation, 97. aid, 98. subsequent

99. She is searching for a _____ residence.

adj. lasting for a long time without essential change

100. The new employee felt _____ from the rest of the team, as they didn't try to include him in their conversations.

adj. feeling isolated, estranged, or disconnected from others, often due to a sense of difference or lack of belonging

101. You should work hard but not be a _____ to it.

n. a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person

102. The _____ leadership style left no room for dissent or alternative opinions.

adj. characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights

103. The _____ of the president sent shockwaves through the nation.

n. the act of killing a public figure, especially a political leader, usually for political or religious motives

104. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

105. In several countries, child _____ is a serious social problem.

n. productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

106. Attendance at the meeting is _____ for all employees.

adj. required by a rule or law, compulsory

ANSWERS: 99. permanent, 100. alienated, 101. slave, 102. authoritarian, 103. assassination, 104. massive, 105. labor, 106. mandatory

107. The accomplished _____ expertly crafted the stone walls of the castle.

n. a skilled worker who builds structures with stone, brick, or concrete

108. 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

109. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

110. The condo offers _____ access to the beach.

adj. not divided or shared with others

111. 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

112. The _____ by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

n. a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

113. The imperial _____ is currently undergoing reforms.

n. the residence of a high-ranking official such as a king, queen, etc.

114. I have no intention to _____ your privacy.

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

ANSWERS: 107. mason, 108. committed, 109. eventually, 110. exclusive, 111. complicated, 112. revolution, 113. palace, 114. invade

115. After her dog passed away, she was _____ for weeks, unable to find joy.

adj. in low spirits; feeling or showing extreme discouragement or gloom

116. 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

ANSWERS: 115. despondent, 116. thunderous