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Session 1: Word List

stubborn

adj. refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change

synonym: persistent, obstinate, determined

(1) **stubborn** attitude, (2) **stubborn** stains

He was so **stubborn** about his beliefs that he refused to listen to any other points of view.

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.

marine

adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there

synonym: sea-dwelling, maritime, aquatic

(1) **marine** insurance, (2) variety of **marine** life

Seals and whales are **marine** animals beloved by the people.

biology

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

(1) evolutionary **biology**, (2) cell and molecular **biology**
In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in **biology** class.

scuba

n. an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving

synonym: diving gear, underwater equipment

(1) **scuba** diving class, (2) **scuba** gear

The **scuba** divers explored the coral reefs to learn more about the ecosystem.

dive

v. to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

synonym: dip, leap, plunge

(1) **dive** into anime communities, (2) **dive** off a cliff

The sperm whale can **dive** to 1,000 meters.

enamored

adj. deeply in love; having a strong affection or admiration for

synonym: captivated, smitten, in love

(1) **enamored** of the idea, (2) **enamored** of bygone days

He had been **enamored** with her since the first time he saw her.

communal

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

fishery

n. an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish

synonym: fishing, piscary, angling

(1) **fishery** management, (2) commercial **fishery**
The majority of the people on the island are **fishery** folk.

redesign

v. to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

synonym: revamp, rework, remodel

(1) **redesign** project, (2) **redesign** of lifestyle
The company is planning to **redesign** its website.

gear

n. a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose

synonym: equipment, tools, apparatus

(1) sports **gear**, (2) a **gear** change lever
She checked her **gear** before embarking on the hike.

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.

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.

sustainable

adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time

synonym: continuable, endurable, tolerable

(1) **sustainable** alternative fuel, (2) principles of **sustainable** development

The government should do more to support environmentally **sustainable** agriculture.

midst

n. the middle part of people or things

synonym: middle, core, bosom

(1) in the **midst** of the crowd, (2) in the **midst** of a scandal

He remained serene in the **midst** of turbulence.

reef

n. a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

(1) barrier **reef**, (2) coral **reefs**

The vessel ran aground on a **reef**.

parrot

n. a tropical bird with a curved beak and the ability to mimic sounds, often kept as a pet and trained to copy the human voice

synonym: copyist, wannabe

(1) repeat like a **parrot**, (2) a talking **parrot**

She keeps a **parrot** in a birdcage as a pet.

coral

n. a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry

(1) **coral** island, (2) **coral** ornament

She is wearing a **coral** necklace.

weigh

v. to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion

synonym: consider, cogitate, count

(1) **weigh** heavily on stock prices, (2) **weigh** a cargo

The baby **weighs** 1 pound 3 oz.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym : unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

beak

n. the hard and pointed or curved mouse of a bird

synonym : nib, pecker, snoot

(1) sharp **beak**, (2) a tip of the **beak**

The bird's **beak** evolves according to the type of prey it can take on the area.

algae

n. A simple plant that grows in or near water and lacks typical leaves and roots

(1) **algae** biofuel, (2) blue **algae**

Algae has jammed the inlet to the water turbine.

lawn

n. a stretch of ground covered with grass, typically attached to a house, and often used for recreation or aesthetics

synonym : yard, grass, meadow

(1) **lawn** mower, (2) lush **lawn**

The family enjoyed a picnic on the **lawn** in the park.

mow

v. to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops

synonym : cut, trim, clip

(1) **mow** the field, (2) **mow** a yard

My father likes to **mow** the lawn early on Saturday mornings.

overgrown

adj. covered in plants that have been allowed to grow naturally and have not been controlled

synonym : leafy, lush, verdant

(1) an **overgrown** garden, (2) **overgrown** child

The wooden gate had been damaged, and the hedge had become **overgrown**.

nutrient

n. any substance that is essential for the maintenance and growth of living things

synonym : food, vitamin

(1) **nutrient** medicine, (2) a **nutrient** for hair

They used fast-acting **nutrients** on the flowers in the flower beds.

pollution

n. the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change

synonym : corrosion, deterioration, corruption

(1) environmental **pollution**, (2) high levels of air **pollution**

The **pollution** is endangering the local plants and animals.

sew

v. to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

synonym : stitch, darn, tailor

(1) **sew** with thread, (2) **sew** a button

My mother taught me how to **sew**.

fertilizer

n. a natural or chemical substance added to soil to make plants grow more successfully

synonym : manure

(1) a chemical **fertilizer**, (2) nonsynthetic **fertilizer**

Nitrogen fixation by the Haber-Bosch method leads to the mass production of **fertilizers**.

herbivore

n. an animal that eats only plants, such as a cow or a deer

synonym : plant-eater, browser, graminivore

(1) **herbivore** diet, (2) **herbivore** animals

A giraffe is an **herbivore** that primarily eats leaves and twigs.

amazing

adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

synonym : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

sand

n. finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

synonym: grit, dust, powder

(1) **sand** dunes, (2) **sand** castle

The **sand** on the beach was warm and golden.

pulverize

v. to break into fine particles or dust; to crush, pound, or grind into a powder or a paste; to destroy completely or utterly

synonym: crush, smash, demolish

(1) **pulverize** rocks, (2) **pulverize** competition

The demolition crew had to **pulverize** the old building to make room for the new one.

clipboard

n. a flat, rigid board with a clip at the top used to hold papers, documents, or forms in place

synonym: notepad, writing board, memo pad

(1) **clipboard** with a pen, (2) write on a **clipboard**

The nurse carried a **clipboard** with the patient's medical information.

contrail

n. (short for "condensation trail") a visible trail of condensed water vapor or ice crystals that form in the wake of an aircraft, rocket, or another object as it moves through the air

synonym: vapor trail, condensation trail

(1) **contrail** formation, (2) persistent **contrail**

The increase in air traffic has led to increased **contrails** in the atmosphere.

lounge

n. a waiting room as in a hotel or airport

synonym: lobby, saloon, club

(1) departure **lounge**, (2) conversation **lounge**

We will go to the VIP **lounge** at the airport till departure.

tropical

adj. originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics
synonym : equatorial, tropic

(1) **tropical** cyclones, (2) **tropical** islands

Tropical storm Marco is making his way along the coast of Florida.

mottled

adj. marked with spots or patches of different colors or shades

synonym : speckled, spotted, marbled

(1) **mottled** skin, (2) a **mottled** stripe

The **mottled** leaves on the tree indicated a disease.

stripe

n. a long, narrow band of a different color or texture than the surface on which it appears

synonym : line, band, streak

(1) a white **stripe**, (2) **stripe** texture

The plates have a blue **stripe** around the edge.

teal

n. a blue-green color; a dark greenish-blue color that is somewhere between blue and green on the color spectrum; a small wild duck;

synonym : turquoise, blue-green, aquamarine

(1) **teal** color, (2) **teal** dress

The bathroom was painted in a beautiful shade of **teal**.

magenta

n. a bright, purplish-red color named after a plant that was once used to produce a dye with a similar hue

synonym : purple-red, fuchsia

(1) **magenta** flowers, (2) **magenta** ink

The artist used **magenta** paint to make her painting pop with color.

polka-dot

n. a pattern consisting of small, regularly spaced round dots of the same size and color, often on a contrasting background

synonym : spot, speck, circle

(1) **polka-dot** socks, (2) **polka-dot** pattern

She wore a cute **polka-dot** dress to the party.

diva

n. a distinguished female singer or performer, often with a reputation for being difficult or demanding; a woman who is admired for her talent, beauty, or grace but who is also seen as arrogant or temperamental

synonym : prima donna, star, songstress

(1) screen **diva**, (2) talented **diva**

The singer is known for her **diva-like** behavior backstage.

wardrobe

n. a collection or set of clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose; a piece of furniture designed for storing clothes or personal belongings

synonym : clothing, attire, closet

(1) walk-in **wardrobe**, (2) minimalist **wardrobe**

Her **wardrobe** selection included several pieces from high-end designer brands.

juvenile

adj. relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature

synonym : youthful, boyish, childlike

(1) exhibit **juvenile** behavior, (2) **juvenile** justice

The detective suspected that the vandalism was the work of **juvenile** delinquents.

outfit

n. a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.

synonym : ensemble, set, suit

(1) camping **outfit**, (2) a construction **outfit**

I need to buy a new **outfit** for the wedding I'm attending next weekend.

intermediate

adj. situated between two locations, things, states, etc.; around the middle of a scale of evaluation

synonym : middle, medium, central

(1) **intermediate** sanction, (2) **intermediate** level

Purple is **intermediate** between blue and red.

getup

n. a person's clothing, appearance, or style

synonym: attire, costume, outfit

(1) a clownish **getup**, (2) a sharp **getup**

The bride was stunning in her elegant wedding **getup**.

terminal

n. a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route

synonym: endpoint, final, concluding

(1) **terminal** disease, (2) a **terminal** syllable

The **terminal** at the airport is where passengers catch their flights.

sequence

n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order

synonym: arrangement, succession, series

(1) the **sequence** of the seasons, (2) the DNA **sequence**

We do move forward with those tasks in **sequence** next week.

hermaphrodite

n. an organism that possesses both male and female reproductive organs; a person who possesses both male and female physical characteristics

synonym: intersex, androgyne, bisex

(1) **hermaphrodite** fish, (2) **hermaphrodite** human

The biology textbook discussed the **hermaphrodite** reproductive system of certain animals.

harem

n. a part of the household in some Muslim societies that is reserved for wives, concubines, and female relatives; the group of women who live in this part and are under the protection of a man; a group of women associated with one man

synonym: seraglio, zenana, women's quarters

(1) **harem** costume, (2) royal **harem**

The sultan's **harem** was a secluded palace where his wives and concubines lived.

spawn

v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop

synonym: beget, breed, generate

(1) **spawn** in spring, (2) **spawn** a new concept

The salmon swims upstream to **spawn** in the place they were released.

heterosexual

adj. attracted to individuals of the opposite sex

synonym: straight, conventional

(1) **heterosexual** relationship, (2) **heterosexual** marriage

He identified as **heterosexual** and had never considered being with someone of the same gender.

monogamy

n. the practice of being married to only one person at a time; the state of having a mutually exclusive romantic or sexual relationship with one partner

synonym: marriage, monandry, monogamousness

(1) **monogamy** rules, (2) practice **monogamy**

Many religious institutions promote **monogamy** as the ideal form of marriage.

quo

n. the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue

synonym: status, condition, state

(1) status **quo** politician, (2) **quo** warranto

The company has been successful in maintaining the status **quo**.

exemplify

v. to serve as a typical example of something

synonym: illustrate, show, demonstrate

(1) **exemplify** the importance, (2) **exemplify** the solution

The example of a successful startup serves to **exemplify** the

potential of the industry.

diverse

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities;
various

synonym : manifold, various, myriad

(1) **diverse** backgrounds, (2) a person of **diverse** talents
New York is a city with a **diverse** ethnic population.

reproductive

adj. connected with the process of reproduction; relating to
reproducing babies, young animals, or plants

synonym : procreative, generative

(1) **reproductive** ability, (2) during **reproductive** period
This documentary deals with the **reproductive** biology of the
buffalo.

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**.

cozy

adj. comfortable and warm; giving a feeling of comfort,
warmth, and relaxation

synonym : comfortable, warm, snug

(1) have **cozy** relations, (2) **cozy** sound of rain
The fireplace made the room feel **cozy** and inviting.

nook

n. a small corner, alcove, or recess, especially one in a
room or garden providing a seat or space for quiet

synonym : niche, corner, alcove

(1) every **nook** and cranny, (2) breakfast **nook**
The kitchen **nook** was perfect for coffee and chatting with
friends.

mucus

n. a slimy liquid produced inside the nose and other body
parts for lubrication, protection, etc.

synonym : secretion, slime, saliva

(1) airway **mucus**, (2) nasal **mucus**

When the body temperature drops, **mucus** secretion fails.

bubble

n. a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses

synonym : blob, balloon, mania

(1) **bubble** in the champagne glass, (2) economic **bubble**

Many people worry that the current real estate market is a **bubble** that could burst soon.

gland

n. a group of cells in an animal's body that produce substances needed by the body and release them through ducts or directly into the bloodstream

synonym : secretor

(1) the function of the thyroid **gland**, (2) a mammary **gland**

The adrenal **glands** produce steroids.

envelop

v. to surround and cover completely; to encase

synonym : wrap, cover, surround

(1) **envelop** the whole world, (2) **envelop** her in a bear hug

The fog **enveloped** the city, making it difficult to see.

mask

v. to conceal something; (noun) a covering that you wear over your face to hide it

synonym : disguise, camouflage, conceal

(1) **mask** body odor, (2) an oxygen **mask**

The politician tried to **mask** the corruption.

scent

n. a distinctive smell, especially a pleasant one

synonym : fragrance, aroma, perfume

(1) natural **scent**, (2) **scent** memory

The **scent** of freshly baked bread filled the bakery.

predator

n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

synonym : vulture, bloodsucker

(1) apex **predator**, (2) sexual **predators**

The native South American animals were in danger because of the **predator's** arrival.

parasite

n. an organism that lives on or in another organism and benefits by deriving nutrients at the other's expense

synonym: hitchhiker, leech, saprophyte

(1) blood-sucking **parasite**, (2) **parasite** disease

Tapeworms are **parasites** that live in the intestines of humans and animals.

confession

n. a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal

synonym: admission, avowal, acknowledgment

(1) a **confession** of guilt, (2) a **confession** of faith

The prisoner made a full **confession** and admitted to his crime.

flamboyant

adj. showy, bold, or striking in appearance or behavior; characterized by extravagance, eccentricity, or ostentatiousness

synonym: dazzling, ostentatious, showy

(1) **flamboyant** style, (2) **flamboyant** personality

The actor's **flamboyant** outfit stole the show at the red carpet-event.

glory

n. great honor or success won by notable achievements

synonym: acclaim, credit, recognition

(1) greatest **glory**, (2) former **glory**

It is preferable to die in **glory** than to live in dishonor.

ache

v. to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain

synonym: hurt, throb, smart

(1) **ache** abominably, (2) **ache** all the time

I **ache** all over after running a marathon yesterday.

snap

v. to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands

synonym : break, crack, fracture

(1) **snap** a whip, (2) **snap** judgment

She **snapped** a quick picture of the beautiful sunset before it disappeared.

woe

n. significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness

synonym : anguish, despair, suffering

(1) economic **woe**, (2) full of **woe**

Recurrent financial **woes** hampered his subsequent career.

overfish

v. to deplete fish populations beyond sustainable levels through excessive or unregulated fishing practices, leading to environmental and economic consequences

synonym : deplete, exhaust, drain

(1) **overfish** the coral reefs, (2) **overfish** certain areas

Scientists warn that many species could face extinction if we continue to **overfish** our oceans.

midnight

n. the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day

synonym : middle of the night, witching hour

(1) **midnight** snack, (2) **midnight** shift

I stayed up until **midnight** watching my favorite movie.

rainbow

n. an arch of colors in the sky caused by the refraction and dispersion of sunlight through rain

synonym : spectrum, iridescence, prism

(1) marine **rainbow**, (2) **rainbow** after a storm

She was mesmerized by the **rainbow's** colors.

exceedingly

adv. to an extreme degree

synonym : enormously, especially, exceptionally

(1) **exceedingly** common, (2) an **exceedingly** difficult book
Fear is **exceedingly** infectious, and children catch it from their elders.

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

synonym: catch, snare, pinfall

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

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

scoop *n.* a tool for lifting or moving substances in bulk, typically using a concave or spoon-shaped end; a piece of news that is obtained or published before anyone else

synonym: ladle, spoon, dipper

(1) a **scoop** of ice cream, (2) **scoop** of news

The company's marketing team worked hard to get the **scoop** on what their target audience wanted.

vibrant *adj.* full of energy, life, and enthusiasm

synonym: animated, dynamic, deep

(1) a city **vibrant** with life, (2) variety of **vibrant** colors

A **vibrant** private sector is crucial for economic growth.

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.

bustle *v.* to move or act energetically and noisily; (noun) a rapid active commotion

synonym: hurry, rush, flurry

(1) **bustle** around a kitchen, (2) hustle- **bustle** lifestyle

The city **bustled** with activity as people rushed to work.

carnival

n. a public enjoyment and celebration, usually held in the street, featuring music, dancing, and various forms of entertainment

synonym : fair, festival, celebration

(1) **carnival** parade, (2) **carnival** atmosphere

The traveling **carnival** is coming to our town next week.

climate

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

synonym : atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change

Climate and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

overfishing

n. the removal of too many fish from a body of water, causing a decline in population levels and harm to the ecosystem

synonym : overharvesting, over-exploitation, depletion

(1) **overfishing** crisis, (2) **overfishing** ban

The ocean's ecosystem is being threatened by **overfishing**, causing many species to become endangered.

ecosystem

n. all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

(1) marine **ecosystem**, (2) change the **ecosystem**

Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the **ecosystem**.

erase

v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

synonym : wipe out, delete, obliterate

(1) **erase** a memory, (2) **erased** the files

He attempted to **erase** the misspelled word.

devastating

adj. causing a great deal of destruction or damage

synonym : destructive, annihilative, disastrous

(1) have **devastating** effects, (2) treat this **devastating** disease

This typhoon was the most **devastating** in years.

nutrition

n. the substances or the process that organisms take into their bodies as food for their growth and health

synonym : alimentation, nourishment, sustenance

(1) **nutrition** condition, (2) **nutrition** intake

This food contains all the **nutrition** your dog requires.

sink

v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

synonym : descend, drop, plummet

(1) **sink** a lot of capital, (2) **sink** a buzzer-beater

The abandoned ship slowly began to **sink** into the murky waters of the harbor.

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**.

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym : abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

extinction

n. the complete disappearance of a species from the earth

synonym : disappearance, eradication, annihilation

(1) **extinction** prevention, (2) brink of **extinction**

The **extinction** of the dinosaurs is thought to have been caused by an asteroid impact.

reverse

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

synonym : overturn, shift, switch

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

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

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.

undertaking

n. a task, business, assignment, or project, especially one that is essential or challenging

synonym : task, effort, enterprise

(1) great **undertaking**, (2) public welfare **undertaking**

Project planning for software development is never an easy **undertaking**.

systemic

adj. affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

(1) the **systemic** arteries, (2) **systemic** reforms of the organization

This vaccine causes mild **systemic** side effects.

contribute

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

synonym : donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,

(2) **contribute** to society

Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

overhaul

n. a thorough examination, evaluation, or inspection of something, often with the intent of making necessary improvements; a major reorganization or restructuring of

a system or process; (verb) to thoroughly examine, repair, and improve something to ensure that it is functioning properly and up to standard

synonym : renovation, revamp, modernization

(1) **overhaul** process, (2) vehicle **overhaul**

The mechanic suggested an **overhaul** of the engine to improve performance.

corporate

adj. of or relating to a large company

synonym : business, commercial, organizational

(1) **corporate** right, (2) **corporate** environment

The **corporate** office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

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.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym : alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power

My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

magnificent

adj. extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

synonym : splendid, brilliant, exquisite

(1) a **magnificent** plan, (2) a **magnificent** mountain

The **magnificent** scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

planet

n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

synonym :

earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**
Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

preserve

v. to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

synonym: conserve, care for, maintain

(1) **preserve** my strength, (2) **preserve** a country's heritage
They worked hard to **preserve** the nature of their native lands.

degree

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

synonym: level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade
She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

motivate

v. to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort

synonym: boost, encourage, inspire

(1) **motivate** the students, (2) all ability to **motivate**
The ability to **motivate** people is a priceless asset.

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.

beloved

adj. loved very much

synonym: adored, cherished, dear

(1) **beloved** author, (2) **beloved** by many people
I am here to save my **beloved**.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. greatest gl__y | <i>n.</i> great honor or success won by notable achievements |
| 2. ov____sh the coral reefs | <i>v.</i> to deplete fish populations beyond sustainable levels through excessive or unregulated fishing practices, leading to environmental and economic consequences |
| 3. co_____te right | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to a large company |
| 4. marine ec_____em | <i>n.</i> all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment |
| 5. we__h a cargo | <i>v.</i> to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion |
| 6. classic arc_____ure | <i>n.</i> the art and science of designing and constructing buildings |
| 7. ov____sh certain areas | <i>v.</i> to deplete fish populations beyond sustainable levels through excessive or unregulated fishing practices, leading to environmental and economic consequences |
| 8. practice mo_____my | <i>n.</i> the practice of being married to only one person at a time; the state of having a mutually exclusive romantic or sexual relationship with one partner |
| 9. a con_____on of guilt | <i>n.</i> a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal |

ANSWERS: 1. glory, 2. overfish, 3. corporate, 4. ecosystem, 5. weigh, 6. architecture, 7. overfish, 8. monogamy, 9. confession

10. a sharp ge__p *n.* a person's clothing, appearance, or style
11. a con_____on of faith *n.* a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal
12. a te_____al syllable *n.* a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route
13. in the mi__t of the crowd *n.* the middle part of people or things
14. sports g__r *n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
15. st___e texture *n.* a long, narrow band of a different color or texture than the surface on which it appears
16. in the mi__t of a scandal *n.* the middle part of people or things
17. an oxygen m__k *v.* to conceal something; (noun) a covering that you wear over your face to hide it
18. a nu_____nt for hair *n.* any substance that is essential for the maintenance and growth of living things
19. re_____e the order *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

ANSWERS: 10. getup, 11. confession, 12. terminal, 13. midst, 14. gear, 15. stripe, 16. midst, 17. mask, 18. nutrient, 19. reverse

20. blood-sucking pa____te *n.* an organism that lives on or in another organism and benefits by deriving nutrients at the other's expense
21. fi____y management *n.* an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish
22. her____ite human *n.* an organism that possesses both male and female reproductive organs; a person who possesses both male and female physical characteristics
23. repeat like a pa____t *n.* a tropical bird with a curved beak and the ability to mimic sounds, often kept as a pet and trained to copy the human voice
24. a mammary gl__d *n.* a group of cells in an animal's body that produce substances needed by the body and release them through ducts or directly into the bloodstream
25. save the pl____t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
26. cell and molecular bi____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
27. we__h heavily on stock prices *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
28. pr____ve a country's heritage *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

ANSWERS: 20. parasite, 21. fishery, 22. hermaphrodite, 23. parrot, 24. gland, 25. planet, 26. biology, 27. weigh, 28. preserve

29. en____p her in a bear hug *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
30. 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
31. am____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
32. t__l dress *n.* a blue-green color; a dark greenish-blue color that is somewhere between blue and green on the color spectrum; a small wild duck;
33. her______ite fish *n.* an organism that possesses both male and female reproductive organs; a person who possesses both male and female physical characteristics
34. an ov____wn garden *adj.* covered in plants that have been allowed to grow naturally and have not been controlled
35. co__l ornament *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
36. a g__r change lever *n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 29. envelop, 30. policy, 31. amazing, 32. teal, 33. hermaphrodite, 34. overgrown, 35. coral, 36. gear

37. the DNA se_____ce *n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
38. all ability to mo_____te *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
39. po_____ot socks *n.* a pattern consisting of small, regularly spaced round dots of the same size and color, often on a contrasting background
40. q_o warranto *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
41. an exc_____ly difficult book *adv.* to an extreme degree
42. tr_____al cyclones *adj.* originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics
43. ma_____a ink *n.* a bright, purplish-red color named after a plant that was once used to produce a dye with a similar hue
44. s_w with thread *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
45. ma_____a flowers *n.* a bright, purplish-red color named after a plant that was once used to produce a dye with a similar hue
46. s__k a lot of capital *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

ANSWERS: 37. sequence, 38. motivate, 39. polka-dot, 40. quo, 41. exceedingly, 42. tropical, 43. magenta, 44. sew, 45. magenta, 46. sink

47. a person of di_____e talents *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
48. blue al__e *n.* A simple plant that grows in or near water and lacks typical leaves and roots
49. change the ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
50. have dev_____ng effects *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
51. nonsynthetic fer_____er *n.* a natural or chemical substance added to soil to make plants grow more successfully
52. con_____te a large sum of money to the fund *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
53. re_____gn project *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
54. exhibit ju_____le behavior *adj.* relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature
55. het_____ual relationship *adj.* attracted to individuals of the opposite sex
56. a mag_____nt mountain *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
57. coral r__fs *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
58. the sy_____ic arteries *adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

ANSWERS: 47. diverse, 48. algae, 49. ecosystem, 50. devastating, 51. fertilizer, 52. contribute, 53. redesign, 54. juvenile, 55. heterosexual, 56. magnificent, 57. reef, 58. systemic

59. het_____ual marriage *adj.* attracted to individuals of the opposite sex
60. co__l island *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
61. a mag_____nt plan *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
62. a chemical fer_____er *n.* a natural or chemical substance added to soil to make plants grow more successfully
63. fla_____nt personality *adj.* showy, bold, or striking in appearance or behavior; characterized by extravagance, eccentricity, or ostentatiousness
64. be_____d author *adj.* loved very much
65. a__e abominably *v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
66. ha__m costume *n.* a part of the household in some Muslim societies that is reserved for wives, concubines, and female relatives; the group of women who live in this part and are under the protection of a man; a group of women associated with one man
67. s__p a whip *v.* to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands
68. departure lo___e *n.* a waiting room as in a hotel or airport

ANSWERS: 59. heterosexual, 60. coral, 61. magnificent, 62. fertilizer, 63. flamboyant, 64. beloved, 65. ache, 66. harem, 67. snap, 68. lounge

69. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
70. principles of sus_____le development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
71. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
72. a talking pa___t *n.* a tropical bird with a curved beak and the ability to mimic sounds, often kept as a pet and trained to copy the human voice
73. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
74. int_____ate level *adj.* situated between two locations, things, states, etc.; around the middle of a scale of evaluation
75. commercial fi_____y *n.* an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish
76. ca_____al parade *n.* a public enjoyment and celebration, usually held in the street, featuring music, dancing, and various forms of entertainment
77. have c__y relations *adj.* comfortable and warm; giving a feeling of comfort, warmth, and relaxation
78. bu___e in the champagne glass *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses

ANSWERS: 69. mass, 70. sustainable, 71. mass, 72. parrot, 73. strategy, 74. intermediate, 75. fishery, 76. carnival, 77. cozy, 78. bubble

79. ma___e insurance *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
80. camping ou___t *n.* a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.
81. screen d__a *n.* a distinguished female singer or performer, often with a reputation for being difficult or demanding; a woman who is admired for her talent, beauty, or grace but who is also seen as arrogant or temperamental
82. sy____ic reforms of the organization *adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society
83. po_____ot pattern *n.* a pattern consisting of small, regularly spaced round dots of the same size and color, often on a contrasting background
84. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
85. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
86. mi_____ht snack *n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day
87. sc__a diving class *n.* an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving

ANSWERS: 79. marine, 80. outfit, 81. diva, 82. systemic, 83. polka-dot, 84. amazing, 85. government, 86. midnight, 87. scuba

88. unsatisfied de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
89. bachelor's de___e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
90. d__e off a cliff *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
91. di____e backgrounds *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
92. airway mu__s *n.* a slimy liquid produced inside the nose and other body parts for lubrication, protection, etc.
93. a mo____d stripe *adj.* marked with spots or patches of different colors or shades
94. con_____te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
95. a white st___e *n.* a long, narrow band of a different color or texture than the surface on which it appears
96. ex_____fy the solution *v.* to serve as a typical example of something
97. nasal mu__s *n.* a slimy liquid produced inside the nose and other body parts for lubrication, protection, etc.
98. exc_____ly common *adv.* to an extreme degree

ANSWERS: 88. desire, 89. degree, 90. dive, 91. diverse, 92. mucus, 93. mottled, 94. contribute, 95. stripe, 96. exemplify, 97. mucus, 98. exceedingly

99. ext_____on prevention *n.* the complete disappearance of a species from the earth
100. re_____e the trend *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
101. t__l color *n.* a blue-green color; a dark greenish-blue color that is somewhere between blue and green on the color spectrum; a small wild duck;
102. 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
103. full of w_e *n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
104. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
105. ov_____ul process *n.* a thorough examination, evaluation, or inspection of something, often with the intent of making necessary improvements; a major reorganization or restructuring of a system or process; (verb) to thoroughly examine, repair, and improve something to ensure that it is functioning properly and up to standard
106. nu_____nt medicine *n.* any substance that is essential for the maintenance and growth of living things

ANSWERS: 99. extinction, 100. reverse, 101. teal, 102. develop, 103. woe, 104. incredible, 105. overhaul, 106. nutrient

107. ju____le justice *adj.* relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature
108. 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
109. t__p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
110. sus____le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
111. re____gn of lifestyle *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
112. marine ra____w *n.* an arch of colors in the sky caused by the refraction and dispersion of sunlight through rain
113. military st____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
114. ra____w after a storm *n.* an arch of colors in the sky caused by the refraction and dispersion of sunlight through rain
115. natural sc__t *n.* a distinctive smell, especially a pleasant one
116. public welfare und____ng *n.* a task, business, assignment, or project, especially one that is essential or challenging
117. ove____ng crisis *n.* the removal of too many fish from a body of water, causing a decline in population levels and harm to the ecosystem

ANSWERS: 107. juvenile, 108. decide, 109. trap, 110. sustainable, 111. redesign, 112. rainbow, 113. strategy, 114. rainbow, 115. scent, 116. undertaking, 117. overfishing

118. great und_____ng *n.* a task, business, assignment, or project, especially one that is essential or challenging
119. ca_____al atmosphere *n.* a public enjoyment and celebration, usually held in the street, featuring music, dancing, and various forms of entertainment
120. en_____p the whole world *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
121. sharp b__k *n.* the hard and pointed or curved mouse of a bird
122. mo_____te the students *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
123. a sc__p of ice cream *n.* a tool for lifting or moving substances in bulk, typically using a concave or spoon-shaped end; a piece of news that is obtained or published before anyone else
124. variety of ma___e life *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
125. m__k body odor *v.* to conceal something; (noun) a covering that you wear over your face to hide it
126. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
127. sp__n a new concept *v.* to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
128. write on a cl_____rd *n.* a flat, rigid board with a clip at the top used to hold papers, documents, or forms in place

ANSWERS: 118. undertaking, 119. carnival, 120. envelop, 121. beak, 122. motivate, 123. scoop, 124. marine, 125. mask, 126. massive, 127. spawn, 128. clipboard

129. co_____te environment *adj.* of or relating to a large company
130. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
131. a clownish ge__p *n.* a person's clothing, appearance, or style
132. during rep_____ive period *adj.* connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants
133. status q_o politician *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
134. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
135. sexual pr_____ors *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
136. a construction ou____t *n.* a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.
137. the function of the thyroid gl__d *n.* a group of cells in an animal's body that produce substances needed by the body and release them through ducts or directly into the bloodstream
138. a__e all the time *v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
139. minimalist wa_____be *n.* a collection or set of clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose; a piece of furniture designed for storing clothes or personal belongings

ANSWERS: 129. corporate, 130. transform, 131. getup, 132. reproductive, 133. quo, 134. massive, 135. predator, 136. outfit, 137. gland, 138. ache, 139. wardrobe

140. pr____ve my strength *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
141. be____d by many people *adj.* loved very much
142. s_w a button *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
143. s__d dunes *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
144. walk-in wa____be *n.* a collection or set of clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose; a piece of furniture designed for storing clothes or personal belongings
145. the se____ce of the seasons *n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
146. 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
147. st____rn stains *adj.* refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change

ANSWERS: 140. preserve, 141. beloved, 142. sew, 143. sand, 144. wardrobe, 145. sequence, 146. develop, 147. stubborn

148. treat this dev_____ng disease *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
149. pu_____ze rocks *v.* to break into fine particles or dust; to crush, pound, or grind into a powder or a paste; to destroy completely or utterly
150. sp__n in spring *v.* to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
151. lush l__n *n.* a stretch of ground covered with grass, typically attached to a house, and often used for recreation or aesthetics
152. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
153. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
154. s__p judgment *v.* to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands
155. cl_____rd with a pen *n.* a flat, rigid board with a clip at the top used to hold papers, documents, or forms in place
156. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
157. sc__p of news *n.* a tool for lifting or moving substances in bulk, typically using a concave or spoon-shaped end; a piece of news that is obtained or published before anyone else
158. set a t__p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

ANSWERS: 148. devastating, 149. pulverize, 150. spawn, 151. lawn, 152. climate, 153. communal, 154. snap, 155. clipboard, 156. communal, 157. scoop, 158. trap

159. vehicle ov____ul *n.* a thorough examination, evaluation, or inspection of something, often with the intent of making necessary improvements; a major reorganization or restructuring of a system or process; (verb) to thoroughly examine, repair, and improve something to ensure that it is functioning properly and up to standard
160. fleshly de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
161. nu_____on condition *n.* the substances or the process that organisms take into their bodies as food for their growth and health
162. economic w_e *n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
163. economic bu___e *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
164. al__e biofuel *n.* A simple plant that grows in or near water and lacks typical leaves and roots
165. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
166. pu_____ze competition *v.* to break into fine particles or dust; to crush, pound, or grind into a powder or a paste; to destroy completely or utterly
167. former gl__y *n.* great honor or success won by notable achievements

ANSWERS: 159. overhaul, 160. desire, 161. nutrition, 162. woe, 163. bubble, 164. algae, 165. transform, 166. pulverize, 167. glory

168. a city vi____t with life *adj.* full of energy, life, and enthusiasm
169. breakfast n__k *n.* a small corner, alcove, or recess, especially one in a room or garden providing a seat or space for quiet
170. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
171. arc_____ure design *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
172. brink of ext_____on *n.* the complete disappearance of a species from the earth
173. l__n mower *n.* a stretch of ground covered with grass, typically attached to a house, and often used for recreation or aesthetics
174. s__k a buzzer-beater *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
175. he_____re animals *n.* an animal that eats only plants, such as a cow or a deer
176. m_w the field *v.* to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops
177. sc__t memory *n.* a distinctive smell, especially a pleasant one
178. er__e a memory *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

ANSWERS: 168. vibrant, 169. nook, 170. climate, 171. architecture, 172. extinction, 173. lawn, 174. sink, 175. herbivore, 176. mow, 177. scent, 178. erase

179. m_w a yard *v.* to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops
180. talented d__a *n.* a distinguished female singer or performer, often with a reputation for being difficult or demanding; a woman who is admired for her talent, beauty, or grace but who is also seen as arrogant or temperamental
181. art cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
182. rep_____ive ability *adj.* connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants
183. d__e into anime communities *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
184. apex pr____or *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
185. mi_____ht shift *n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day
186. mo_____my rules *n.* the practice of being married to only one person at a time; the state of having a mutually exclusive romantic or sexual relationship with one partner
187. st_____rn attitude *adj.* refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change

ANSWERS: 179. mow, 180. diva, 181. critic, 182. reproductive, 183. dive, 184. predator, 185. midnight, 186. monogamy, 187. stubborn

188. s__d castle *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
189. variety of vi____t colors *adj.* full of energy, life, and enthusiasm
190. hustle-bu___e lifestyle *v.* to move or act energetically and noisily; (noun) a rapid active commotion
191. pa____te disease *n.* an organism that lives on or in another organism and benefits by deriving nutrients at the other's expense
192. he_____re diet *n.* an animal that eats only plants, such as a cow or a deer
193. fla_____nt style *adj.* showy, bold, or striking in appearance or behavior; characterized by extravagance, eccentricity, or ostentatiousness
194. ove_____ng ban *n.* the removal of too many fish from a body of water, causing a decline in population levels and harm to the ecosystem
195. barrier r__f *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
196. bu___e around a kitchen *v.* to move or act energetically and noisily; (noun) a rapid active commotion
197. conversation lo___e *n.* a waiting room as in a hotel or airport
198. persistent co____il *n.* (short for "condensation trail") a visible trail of condensed water vapor or ice crystals that form in the wake of an aircraft, rocket, or another object as it moves through the air

ANSWERS: 188. sand, 189. vibrant, 190. bustle, 191. parasite, 192. herbivore, 193. flamboyant, 194. overfishing, 195. reef, 196. bustle, 197. lounge, 198. contrail

199. c__y sound of rain *adj.* comfortable and warm; giving a feeling of comfort, warmth, and relaxation
200. every n__k and cranny *n.* a small corner, alcove, or recess, especially one in a room or garden providing a seat or space for quiet
201. en____ed of bygone days *adj.* deeply in love; having a strong affection or admiration for
202. evolutionary bi____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
203. high levels of air po_____on *n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
204. sc__a gear *n.* an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
205. int_____ate sanction *adj.* situated between two locations, things, states, etc.; around the middle of a scale of evaluation
206. mo_____d skin *adj.* marked with spots or patches of different colors or shades
207. tr_____al islands *adj.* originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics
208. te_____al disease *n.* a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route
209. en____ed of the idea *adj.* deeply in love; having a strong affection or admiration for

ANSWERS: 199. cozy, 200. nook, 201. enamored, 202. biology, 203. pollution, 204. scuba, 205. intermediate, 206. mottled, 207. tropical, 208. terminal, 209. enamored

210. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
211. royal ha__m *n.* a part of the household in some Muslim societies that is reserved for wives, concubines, and female relatives; the group of women who live in this part and are under the protection of a man; a group of women associated with one man
212. environmental po_____on *n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
213. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
214. 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
215. severe cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
216. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
217. a tip of the b__k *n.* the hard and pointed or curved mouse of a bird

ANSWERS: 210. decide, 211. harem, 212. pollution, 213. government, 214. policy, 215. critic, 216. degree, 217. beak

218. nu_____on intake *n.* the substances or the process that organisms take into their bodies as food for their growth and health
219. co_____il formation *n.* (short for "condensation trail") a visible trail of condensed water vapor or ice crystals that form in the wake of an aircraft, rocket, or another object as it moves through the air
220. ov_____wn child *adj.* covered in plants that have been allowed to grow naturally and have not been controlled
221. er__ed the files *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
222. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
223. pl___t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
224. ex_____fy the importance *v.* to serve as a typical example of something

ANSWERS: 218. nutrition, 219. contrail, 220. overgrown, 221. erase, 222. incredible, 223. planet, 224. exemplify

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. This typhoon was the most _____ in years.
adj. causing a great deal of destruction or damage
2. I am here to save my _____.
adj. loved very much
3. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
4. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.
n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
5. The prisoner made a full _____ and admitted to his crime.
n. a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal
6. The actor's _____ outfit stole the show at the red carpet-event.
adj. showy, bold, or striking in appearance or behavior; characterized by extravagance, eccentricity, or ostentatiousness
7. It is preferable to die in _____ than to live in dishonor.
n. great honor or success won by notable achievements
8. The _____ at the airport is where passengers catch their flights.
n. a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route

ANSWERS: 1. devastating, 2. beloved, 3. strategy, 4. degree, 5. confession, 6. flamboyant, 7. glory, 8. terminal

9. The increase in air traffic has led to increased _____ in the atmosphere.
n. (short for "condensation trail") a visible trail of condensed water vapor or ice crystals that form in the wake of an aircraft, rocket, or another object as it moves through the air
10. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
11. The artist used _____ paint to make her painting pop with color.
n. a bright, purplish-red color named after a plant that was once used to produce a dye with a similar hue
12. The _____ of the dinosaurs is thought to have been caused by an asteroid impact.
n. the complete disappearance of a species from the earth
13. The politician tried to _____ the corruption.
v. to conceal something; (noun) a covering that you wear over your face to hide it
14. She _____ a quick picture of the beautiful sunset before it disappeared.
v. to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands
15. Tapeworms are _____ that live in the intestines of humans and animals.
n. an organism that lives on or in another organism and benefits by deriving nutrients at the other's expense
16. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.
n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

ANSWERS: 9. contrails, 10. mass, 11. magenta, 12. extinction, 13. mask, 14. snapped, 15. parasites, 16. critics

17. The _____ divers explored the coral reefs to learn more about the ecosystem.
n. an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
18. 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
19. She wore a cute _____ dress to the party.
n. a pattern consisting of small, regularly spaced round dots of the same size and color, often on a contrasting background
20. 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
21. This documentary deals with the _____ biology of the buffalo.
adj. connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants
22. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in _____ class.
n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
23. She checked her _____ before embarking on the hike.
n. a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
24. _____ has jammed the inlet to the water turbine.
n. A simple plant that grows in or near water and lacks typical leaves and roots

ANSWERS: 17. scuba, 18. decide, 19. polka-dot, 20. government, 21. reproductive, 22. biology, 23. gear, 24. Algae

25. I stayed up until _____ watching my favorite movie.
- n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day
26. Her _____ selection included several pieces from high-end designer brands.
- n.* a collection or set of clothing, especially for a particular occasion or purpose; a piece of furniture designed for storing clothes or personal belongings
27. He was so _____ about his beliefs that he refused to listen to any other points of view.
- adj.* refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change
28. The abandoned ship slowly began to _____ into the murky waters of the harbor.
- v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
29. My mother taught me how to _____.
- v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
30. When the body temperature drops, _____ secretion fails.
- n.* a slimy liquid produced inside the nose and other body parts for lubrication, protection, etc.
31. She is wearing a _____ necklace.
- n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry

ANSWERS: 25. midnight, 26. wardrobe, 27. stubborn, 28. sink, 29. sew, 30. mucus, 31. coral

32. 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

33. New York is a city with a _____ ethnic population.

- adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

34. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

- adj.* unbelievable; enormous

35. He remained serene in the _____ of turbulence.

- n.* the middle part of people or things

36. A giraffe is an _____ that primarily eats leaves and twigs.

- n.* an animal that eats only plants, such as a cow or a deer

37. The majority of the people on the island are _____ folk.

- n.* an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish

38. The plates have a blue _____ around the edge.

- n.* a long, narrow band of a different color or texture than the surface on which it appears

39. The native South American animals were in danger because of the _____ arrival.

- n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

ANSWERS: 32. develop, 33. diverse, 34. incredible, 35. midst, 36. herbivore, 37. fishery, 38. stripe, 39. predator's

40. The ability to _____ people is a priceless asset.
- v. to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
41. Many religious institutions promote _____ as the ideal form of marriage.
- n. the practice of being married to only one person at a time; the state of having a mutually exclusive romantic or sexual relationship with one partner
42. The baby _____ 1 pound 3 oz.
- v. to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
43. _____ storm Marco is making his way along the coast of Florida.
- adj. originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics
44. We will go to the VIP _____ at the airport till departure.
- n. a waiting room as in a hotel or airport
45. The sperm whale can _____ to 1,000 meters.
- v. to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
46. 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
47. I _____ all over after running a marathon yesterday.
- v. to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain

ANSWERS: 40. motivate, 41. monogamy, 42. weighs, 43. Tropical, 44. lounge, 45. dive, 46. policy, 47. ache

48. This food contains all the _____ your dog requires.

n. the substances or the process that organisms take into their bodies as food for their growth and health

49. He identified as _____ and had never considered being with someone of the same gender.

adj. attracted to individuals of the opposite sex

50. The company has been successful in maintaining the status ____.

n. the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue

51. The bird's _____ evolves according to the type of prey it can take on the area.

n. the hard and pointed or curved mouse of a bird

52. Nitrogen fixation by the Haber-Bosch method leads to the mass production of _____.

n. a natural or chemical substance added to soil to make plants grow more successfully

53. They worked hard to _____ the nature of their native lands.

v. to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

54. The _____ leaves on the tree indicated a disease.

adj. marked with spots or patches of different colors or shades

55. The detective suspected that the vandalism was the work of _____ delinquents.

adj. relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature

ANSWERS: 48. nutrition, 49. heterosexual, 50. quo, 51. beak, 52. fertilizers, 53. preserve, 54. mottled, 55. juvenile

56. The traveling _____ is coming to our town next week.
- n.* a public enjoyment and celebration, usually held in the street, featuring music, dancing, and various forms of entertainment
57. She keeps a _____ in a birdcage as a pet.
- n.* a tropical bird with a curved beak and the ability to mimic sounds, often kept as a pet and trained to copy the human voice
58. The restaurant _____ a ban on smoking.
- v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
59. The _____ scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.
- adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
60. He had been _____ with her since the first time he saw her.
- adj.* deeply in love; having a strong affection or admiration for
61. The biology textbook discussed the _____ reproductive system of certain animals.
- n.* an organism that possesses both male and female reproductive organs; a person who possesses both male and female physical characteristics
62. The enemy fell right into the _____.
- n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
63. The singer is known for her _____ behavior backstage.
- n.* a distinguished female singer or performer, often with a reputation for being difficult or demanding; a woman who is admired for her talent, beauty, or grace but who is also seen as arrogant or temperamental

ANSWERS: 56. carnival, 57. parrot, 58. reversed, 59. magnificent, 60. enamored, 61. hermaphrodite, 62. trap, 63. diva-like

64. The city is known for its impressive _____ and beautiful old buildings.
n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
65. The nurse carried a _____ with the patient's medical information.
n. a flat, rigid board with a clip at the top used to hold papers, documents, or forms in place
66. A _____ private sector is crucial for economic growth.
adj. full of energy, life, and enthusiasm
67. The _____ of freshly baked bread filled the bakery.
n. a distinctive smell, especially a pleasant one
68. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.
adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid
69. The wooden gate had been damaged, and the hedge had become _____.
adj. covered in plants that have been allowed to grow naturally and have not been controlled
70. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.
n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
71. He attempted to _____ the misspelled word.
v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
72. The sultan's _____ was a secluded palace where his wives and concubines lived.
n. a part of the household in some Muslim societies that is reserved for wives, concubines, and female relatives; the group of women who live in this part and are under the protection of a man; a group of women associated with one man

ANSWERS: 64. architecture, 65. clipboard, 66. vibrant, 67. scent, 68. massive, 69. overgrown, 70. planet, 71. erase, 72. harem

73. Purple is _____ between blue and red.

adj. situated between two locations, things, states, etc.; around the middle of a scale of evaluation

74. The adrenal _____ produce steroids.

n. a group of cells in an animal's body that produce substances needed by the body and release them through ducts or directly into the bloodstream

75. The example of a successful startup serves to _____ the potential of the industry.

v. to serve as a typical example of something

76. The vessel ran aground on a _____.

n. a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

77. We do move forward with those tasks in _____ next week.

n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order

78. My father's death _____ my life completely.

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

79. This vaccine causes mild _____ side effects.

adj. affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

80. Fear is _____ infectious, and children catch it from their elders.

adv. to an extreme degree

81. My father likes to ____ the lawn early on Saturday mornings.

v. to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops

ANSWERS: 73. intermediate, 74. glands, 75. exemplify, 76. reef, 77. sequence, 78. transformed, 79. systemic, 80. exceedingly, 81. mow

82. I need to buy a new _____ for the wedding I'm attending next weekend.
n. a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.
83. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
84. They used fast-acting _____ on the flowers in the flower beds.
n. any substance that is essential for the maintenance and growth of living things
85. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the _____.
n. all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
86. The company is planning to _____ its website.
v. to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
87. The _____ is endangering the local plants and animals.
n. the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
88. The bride was stunning in her elegant wedding _____.
n. a person's clothing, appearance, or style
89. The salmon swims upstream to _____ in the place they were released.
v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop

ANSWERS: 82. outfit, 83. Climate, 84. nutrients, 85. ecosystem, 86. redesign, 87. pollution, 88. getup, 89. spawn

90. The ocean's ecosystem is being threatened by _____ causing many species to become endangered.
- n.* the removal of too many fish from a body of water, causing a decline in population levels and harm to the ecosystem
91. She was mesmerized by the _____ colors.
- n.* an arch of colors in the sky caused by the refraction and dispersion of sunlight through rain
92. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.
- n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
93. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.
- v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
94. The _____ on the beach was warm and golden.
- n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
95. The city _____ with activity as people rushed to work.
- v.* to move or act energetically and noisily; (noun) a rapid active commotion
96. The kitchen _____ was perfect for coffee and chatting with friends.
- n.* a small corner, alcove, or recess, especially one in a room or garden providing a seat or space for quiet
97. The company's marketing team worked hard to get the _____ on what their target audience wanted.
- n.* a tool for lifting or moving substances in bulk, typically using a concave or spoon-shaped end; a piece of news that is obtained or published before anyone else

ANSWERS: 90. overfishing, 91. rainbow's, 92. desire, 93. contribute, 94. sand, 95. bustled, 96. nook, 97. scoop

98. Recurrent financial _____ hampered his subsequent career.
n. significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
99. The fog _____ the city, making it difficult to see.
v. to surround and cover completely; to encase
100. The mechanic suggested an _____ of the engine to improve performance.
n. a thorough examination, evaluation, or inspection of something, often with the intent of making necessary improvements; a major reorganization or restructuring of a system or process; (verb) to thoroughly examine, repair, and improve something to ensure that it is functioning properly and up to standard
101. Seals and whales are _____ animals beloved by the people.
adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
102. The fireplace made the room feel _____ and inviting.
adj. comfortable and warm; giving a feeling of comfort, warmth, and relaxation
103. Project planning for software development is never an easy _____.
n. a task, business, assignment, or project, especially one that is essential or challenging
104. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
105. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
106. The family enjoyed a picnic on the _____ in the park.
n. a stretch of ground covered with grass, typically attached to a house, and often used for recreation or aesthetics

ANSWERS: 98. woes, 99. enveloped, 100. overhaul, 101. marine, 102. cozy, 103. undertaking, 104. Communal, 105. amazing, 106. lawn

107. The _____ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.
adj. of or relating to a large company
108. The government should do more to support environmentally _____ agriculture.
adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time
109. The demolition crew had to _____ the old building to make room for the new one.
v. to break into fine particles or dust; to crush, pound, or grind into a powder or a paste; to destroy completely or utterly
110. Many people worry that the current real estate market is a _____ that could burst soon.
n. a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
111. Scientists warn that many species could face extinction if we continue to _____ our oceans.
v. to deplete fish populations beyond sustainable levels through excessive or unregulated fishing practices, leading to environmental and economic consequences
112. The bathroom was painted in a beautiful shade of _____.
n. a blue-green color; a dark greenish-blue color that is somewhere between blue and green on the color spectrum; a small wild duck;

ANSWERS: 107. corporate, 108. sustainable, 109. pulverize, 110. bubble, 111. overfish, 112. teal