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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### journalist

*n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

*synonym*: reporter, newsperson, press

(1) a China-based **journalist**, (2) **journalist** on a magazine  
Foreign TV crews and **journalists** can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

### frustrate

*v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

*synonym*: hinder, thwart, dishearten

(1) **frustrate** the advancement, (2) **frustrate** other team members

The coach explained a strategy to **frustrate** the opponent's schemes to the players.

### unnoticed

*adj.* not seen or noticed

*synonym*: ignored, overlooked, unrecognized

(1) **unnoticed** by all, (2) go **unnoticed** for a long period  
His research went largely **unnoticed** until a prominent

researcher cited it.

## hometown

*n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up  
*synonym* : birthplace, home, native place

(1) **hometown** celebrity, (2) **hometown** memory

I always look forward to going back to my **hometown** during the holidays.

## 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.

## stint

*n.* a period of time spent doing a particular job or activity; a set amount of work or activity

*synonym* : period, job, activity

(1) **stint** of work, (2) prison **stint**

He took a short **stint** as a teacher before returning to law practice.

## environment

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

*synonym* : atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

## nuclear

*adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

*synonym* : atomic

(1) **nuclear** fusion, (2) use of **nuclear** power

Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use

of **nuclear** weapons.

## villager

*n.* a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community

*synonym*: resident, inhabitant, countryperson

(1) **villager** community, (2) local **villager**

The rural **villagers** were saddened by the destruction of their homes in the natural disaster.

## protest

*n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition

*synonym*: objection, disapproval, challenge

(1) hold a **protest**, (2) a silent **protest**

He left the party in **protest** at its radical political stance.

## confirm

*v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

*synonym*: affirm, verify, assure

(1) **confirm** the diagnosis, (2) **confirm** a transaction

Please write to **confirm** your reservation.

## platform

*n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

*synonym*: stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise

The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

## accord

*n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have

*synonym*: alliance, pact, agreement

(1) **accord** with public opinion, (2) binational **accord**

The organization finally signed a peace **accord**.

## mainstream

*n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people

*synonym* : prevailing, average, common

(1) join the **mainstream**, (2) **mainstream** political beliefs

His thinking is **mainstream** in the country's culture.

## coverage

*n.* the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides

*synonym* : reportage, scope, range

(1) full- **coverage** insurance, (2) contractual **coverage**

The scandal received widespread media **coverage**.

## rural

*adj.* of or relating to the countryside

*synonym* : agrarian, country, rustic

(1) **rural** accents, (2) people in **rural** areas

Many **rural** areas are still impoverished.

## disturb

*v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

*synonym* : agitate, bother, intrude

(1) **disturb** the peace, (2) **disturb** his sleep

Tourists frequently **disturb** the island's delicate natural balance.

## 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.

## transparency

*n.* the condition or quality of being easy to see through

*synonym* : clearness, clarity, translucence

(1) lack of **transparency**, (2) **transparency** during the trials

The main discussion topic is government **transparency**.

## convinced

*adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

*synonym* : confident, positive, indoctrinated

(1) **convinced** of the idea, (2) **convinced** criminal

The public is **convinced** that the prime minister has committed fraud.

## quitter

*n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

*synonym* : coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

## 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.

## freelance

*adj.* doing particular pieces of work for different organizations rather than being employed by one specific organization

*synonym* : self-employed, independent

(1) a **freelance** journalist, (2) professional **freelance** writer

He became a **freelance** photographer after working for a company for over ten years.

## database

*n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily

(1) **database** administrator, (2) employee **database**

Each country's officials can access the central **database**.

## editorial

*adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media

*synonym* : comment, opinion, critique

(1) gain **editorial** help, (2) an **editorial** article

The newspaper published an **editorial** on the current state of the economy.

## contributor

*n.* a person or thing that adds to the achievement, production, or growth of something (such as a project, organization, or publication); a donor or benefactor

*synonym* : donor, giver, subscriber

(1) **contributor** of funds, (2) regular **contributor**

She is a major **contributor** to the local food bank, volunteering every week.

## rid

*v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

*synonym* : do away with, free, clear

(1) get **rid** of the rats, (2) **rid** the body of waste products

We must **rid** ourselves of pollution.

## 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.

## highlight

*v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention

*synonym* : feature, emphasize, stress

(1) **highlight** a string in red, (2) **highlight** an important difference

The introduction **highlighted** the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant

## technological

*adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress

*synonym* : specialized, technical

(1) **technological** advancement, (2) **technological** policy  
**Technological** advances have disrupted many industries.

## discovery

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

*synonym*: finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

## groom

*v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat

*synonym*: brush, comb, neaten

(1) **groom** duties, (2) **groom** a horse

I need to **groom** my dog before his fur gets too long.

## process

*n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

*synonym*: procedure, method, system

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

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

## credible

*adj.* capable of being trusted or believed

*synonym*: reasonable, believable, plausible

(1) **credible** source, (2) a **credible** story

They didn't have any **credible** evidence of his innocence.

## award

*n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement

*synonym*: prize, honor, accolade

(1) **award** ceremony, (2) participation **award**

He won the **award** for best actor at the film festival.

## commission

*n.* a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something

*synonym*: task, duty, authority

(1) **commission** appointed by the government, (2) the **commission** of murder

She gets a **commission** on each contract.

## recognition

*n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal

*synonym*: acknowledgement, identification, credit

(1) **recognition** award, (2) joint **recognition**

He was given **recognition** for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.

## confidence

*n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

*synonym*: self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

## expose

*v.* to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence

*synonym*: disclose, reveal, uncover

(1) **expose** a crime, (2) **expose** a person to risks

That newspaper **exposed** a political scandal in a big way.

## corruption

*n.* dishonest, harmful, or illegal behavior, especially of people in positions of power

*synonym*: depravity, bribery, degeneration

(1) **corruption** accusation, (2) federal **corruption** charges

Rampant **corruption** led to a loss of trust in the government.



## elect

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

*synonym* : select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death

Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

## representative

n. someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

*synonym* : spokesperson, agent, delegate

(1) an official **representative**, (2) sales **representative**

The media **representatives** had special passes.

## edit

v. to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it

*synonym* : revise, modify, adjust

(1) **edit** a history book, (2) **edit** a video

I need to **edit** this document before submitting it to my boss.

## ignore

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

*synonym* : neglect, disregard, shun

(1) **ignore** her advice, (2) **ignore** a ban

Since independence, the area has been completely **ignored**.

## district

n. a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features

*synonym* : territory, dominion, zone

(1) school **districts**, (2) urban **districts**

Since 2001, the **district** has provided training programs for automotive technicians.

## countryside

n. rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery

*synonym* : rural, rustic, pastoral

(1) **countryside** scenery, (2) **countryside** lifestyle

The small village in the **countryside** was perfect for a quiet

getaway.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. join the mai\_\_\_\_\_am *n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
2. ig\_\_\_e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
3. ex\_\_\_e a person to risks *v.* to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence
4. rec\_\_\_\_\_on award *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
5. people in ru\_\_l areas *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
6. a digital pl\_\_\_\_\_rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
7. sales rep\_\_\_\_\_ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
8. use of nu\_\_\_\_\_r power *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
9. st\_\_t of work *n.* a period of time spent doing a particular job or activity; a set amount of work or activity

ANSWERS: 1. mainstream, 2. ignore, 3. expose, 4. recognition, 5. rural, 6. platform, 7. representative, 8. nuclear, 9. stint

10. 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
11. urban di\_\_\_\_\_cts      *n.* a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
12. hold a pr\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
13. go un\_\_\_\_\_ed for a long period      *adj.* not seen or noticed
14. gr\_\_m duties      *v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat
15. jou\_\_\_\_\_st on a magazine      *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
16. e\_\_t a video      *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
17. an arrival pl\_\_\_\_\_rm      *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
18. nu\_\_\_\_\_r fusion      *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

ANSWERS: 10. democracy, 11. district, 12. protest, 13. unnoticed, 14. groom, 15. journalist, 16. edit, 17. platform, 18. nuclear

19. env\_\_\_\_\_nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
20. tra\_\_\_\_\_ncy during the trials *n.* the condition or quality of being easy to see through
21. a fr\_\_\_\_\_ce journalist *adj.* doing particular pieces of work for different organizations rather than being employed by one specific organization
22. ig\_\_\_e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
23. co\_\_\_\_\_ed of the idea *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
24. 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
25. the great di\_\_\_\_\_ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
26. boost my con\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
27. ac\_\_\_d with public opinion *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
28. el\_\_t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

ANSWERS: 19. environment, 20. transparency, 21. freelance, 22. ignore, 23. convinced, 24. democracy, 25. discovery, 26. confidence, 27. accord, 28. elect

29. an ed\_\_\_\_\_al article *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
30. co\_\_\_\_\_m a transaction *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
31. 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
32. federal cor\_\_\_\_\_on charges *n.* dishonest, harmful, or illegal behavior, especially of people in positions of power
33. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
34. a scientific di\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
35. hi\_\_\_\_\_ht an important difference *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
36. co\_\_\_\_\_ed criminal *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
37. a seafaring na\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

ANSWERS: 29. editorial, 30. confirm, 31. economy, 32. corruption, 33. opportune, 34. discovery, 35. highlight, 36. convinced, 37. nation

38. contractual co\_\_\_\_ge *n.* the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides
39. e\_\_t a history book *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
40. ru\_\_l accents *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
41. da\_\_\_\_se administrator *n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily
42. easy qu\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
43. 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
44. a cr\_\_\_\_le story *adj.* capable of being trusted or believed
45. fr\_\_\_\_te the advancement *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
46. cou\_\_\_\_de scenery *n.* rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery

ANSWERS: 38. coverage, 39. edit, 40. rural, 41. database, 42. quitter, 43. economy, 44. credible, 45. frustrate, 46. countryside

47. decision-making pr\_\_\_\_\_s      *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
48. na\_\_\_\_n-state      *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
49. a silent pr\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
50. mai\_\_\_\_\_am political beliefs      *n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
51. co\_\_\_\_\_m the diagnosis      *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
52. vi\_\_\_\_\_er community      *n.* a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community
53. regular con\_\_\_\_\_or      *n.* a person or thing that adds to the achievement, production, or growth of something (such as a project, organization, or publication); a donor or benefactor
54. ho\_\_\_\_\_wn memory      *n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up
55. local vi\_\_\_\_\_er      *n.* a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community

ANSWERS: 47. process, 48. nation, 49. protest, 50. mainstream, 51. confirm, 52. villager, 53. contributor, 54. hometown, 55. villager



56. employee da\_\_\_\_\_se *n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily
57. fr\_\_\_\_\_te other team members *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
58. cor\_\_\_\_\_on accusation *n.* dishonest, harmful, or illegal behavior, especially of people in positions of power
59. gr\_\_m a horse *v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat
60. full-co\_\_\_\_\_ge insurance *n.* the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides
61. tec\_\_\_\_\_cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
62. di\_\_\_\_\_b his sleep *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
63. hi\_\_\_\_\_ht a string in red *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
64. cr\_\_\_\_\_le source *adj.* capable of being trusted or believed
65. professional fr\_\_\_\_\_ce writer *adj.* doing particular pieces of work for different organizations rather than being employed by one specific organization

ANSWERS: 56. database, 57. frustrate, 58. corruption, 59. groom, 60. coverage, 61. technological, 62. disturb, 63. highlight, 64. credible, 65. freelance

66. con\_\_\_\_\_ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
67. serial qu\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
68. tec\_\_\_\_\_cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
69. el\_\_t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
70. joint rec\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
71. cou\_\_\_\_\_de lifestyle *n.* rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery
72. a China-based jou\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
73. gain ed\_\_\_\_\_al help *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
74. get r\_d of the rats *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
75. di\_\_\_\_\_b the peace *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

ANSWERS: 66. confidence, 67. quitter, 68. technological, 69. elect, 70. recognition, 71. countryside, 72. journalist, 73. editorial, 74. rid, 75. disturb

76. op\_\_\_\_\_ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
77. ex\_\_\_e a crime *v.* to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence
78. binational ac\_\_\_d *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
79. participation aw\_\_\_d *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
80. ho\_\_\_\_\_wn celebrity *n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up
81. chaotic env\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
82. aw\_\_\_d ceremony *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
83. an official rep\_\_\_\_\_ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
84. lack of tra\_\_\_\_\_ncy *n.* the condition or quality of being easy to see through
85. com\_\_\_\_\_on appointed by the government *n.* a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something
86. prison st\_\_\_t *n.* a period of time spent doing a particular job or activity; a set amount of work or activity

ANSWERS: 76. opportune, 77. expose, 78. accord, 79. award, 80. hometown, 81. environment, 82. award, 83. representative, 84. transparency, 85. commission, 86. stint

87. r\_d the body of waste products      *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
88. school di\_\_\_\_\_cts      *n.* a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
89. un\_\_\_\_\_ed by all      *adj.* not seen or noticed
90. con\_\_\_\_\_or of funds      *n.* a person or thing that adds to the achievement, production, or growth of something (such as a project, organization, or publication); a donor or benefactor
91. the com\_\_\_\_\_on of murder      *n.* a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something
92. pr\_\_\_\_\_s improvement      *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 87. rid, 88. district, 89. unnoticed, 90. contributor, 91. commission, 92. process

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Please write to \_\_\_\_\_ your reservation.
  - v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
  
2. He won the \_\_\_\_\_ for best actor at the film festival.
  - n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
  
3. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ this document before submitting it to my boss.
  - v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
  
4. Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of \_\_\_\_\_ weapons.
  - adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
  
5. The small village in the \_\_\_\_\_ was perfect for a quiet getaway.
  - n.* rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery
  
6. He was labeled as a \_\_\_\_\_ after he abandoned the project halfway.
  - n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
  
7. He took a short \_\_\_\_\_ as a teacher before returning to law practice.
  - n.* a period of time spent doing a particular job or activity; a set amount of work or activity

ANSWERS: 1. confirm, 2. award, 3. edit, 4. nuclear, 5. countryside, 6. quitter, 7. stint

8. Each country's officials can access the central \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily
9. I always look forward to going back to my \_\_\_\_\_ during the holidays.
- n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up
10. 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
11. The rural \_\_\_\_\_ were saddened by the destruction of their homes in the natural disaster.
- n.* a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community
12. Every five years, the provincial governors are \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
13. Rampant \_\_\_\_\_ led to a loss of trust in the government.
- n.* dishonest, harmful, or illegal behavior, especially of people in positions of power
14. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

ANSWERS: 8. database, 9. hometown, 10. economy, 11. villagers, 12. elected, 13. corruption, 14. environment

15. Since independence, the area has been completely \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
16. 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
17. The speaker mounted the \_\_\_\_\_ and started to speak.
- n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
18. He was given \_\_\_\_\_ for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.
- n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
19. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.
- adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
20. Her research team made an important \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
21. \_\_\_\_\_ 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
22. The \_\_\_\_\_ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
- n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 15. ignored, 16. nation, 17. platform, 18. recognition, 19. opportune, 20. discovery, 21. Democracy, 22. process

23. We must \_\_\_ ourselves of pollution.

- v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

24. His research went largely \_\_\_\_\_ until a prominent researcher cited it.

- adj.* not seen or noticed

25. He left the party in \_\_\_\_\_ at its radical political stance.

- n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition

26. They didn't have any \_\_\_\_\_ evidence of his innocence.

- adj.* capable of being trusted or believed

27. His thinking is \_\_\_\_\_ in the country's culture.

- n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people

28. Since 2001, the \_\_\_\_\_ has provided training programs for automotive technicians.

- n.* a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features

29. The organization finally signed a peace \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.;
- (verb) allow to have

30. Foreign TV crews and \_\_\_\_\_ can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

- n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

ANSWERS: 23. rid, 24. unnoticed, 25. protest, 26. credible, 27. mainstream, 28. district, 29. accord, 30. journalists



31. He became a \_\_\_\_\_ photographer after working for a company for over ten years.

*adj.* doing particular pieces of work for different organizations rather than being employed by one specific organization

32. The newspaper published an \_\_\_\_\_ on the current state of the economy.

*adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media

33. The media \_\_\_\_\_ had special passes.

*n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

34. \_\_\_\_\_ advances have disrupted many industries.

*adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress

35. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ my dog before his fur gets too long.

*v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat

36. The introduction \_\_\_\_\_ the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant

*v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention

37. The coach explained a strategy to \_\_\_\_\_ the opponent's schemes to the players.

*v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

38. Skill and \_\_\_\_\_ are an unconquered army.

*n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

ANSWERS: 31. freelance, 32. editorial, 33. representatives, 34. Technological, 35. groom, 36. highlighted, 37. frustrate, 38. confidence

39. That newspaper \_\_\_\_\_ a political scandal in a big way.

- v.* to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence

40. The public is \_\_\_\_\_ that the prime minister has committed fraud.

- adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

41. The main discussion topic is government \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the condition or quality of being easy to see through

42. Tourists frequently \_\_\_\_\_ the island's delicate natural balance.

- v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

43. The scandal received widespread media \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides

44. She is a major \_\_\_\_\_ to the local food bank, volunteering every week.

- n.* a person or thing that adds to the achievement, production, or growth of something (such as a project, organization, or publication); a donor or benefactor

45. Many \_\_\_\_\_ areas are still impoverished.

- adj.* of or relating to the countryside

46. She gets a \_\_\_\_\_ on each contract.

- n.* a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something

ANSWERS: 39. exposed, 40. convinced, 41. transparency, 42. disturb, 43. coverage, 44. contributor, 45. rural, 46. commission

ANSWERS: