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Session 1: Word List

trap

 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**.

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.

trash

n. discarded material, refuse, or waste

synonym: garbage, waste, refuse

(1) trash bin, (2) trash disposal site

The city is taking measures to reduce the amount of **trash** in the streets.

threaten

 to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym: endanger, terrorize, intimidate

(1) **threaten** a healthy relationship, (2) **threaten** national security

Various artificially induced causes are **threatening** our ecosystem.

descendant

- n. children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal synonym: child, offspring, heir
- (1) **descendant** of a pioneer, (2) third-generation **descendant**

Those warriors' **descendants** are still skilled archers.

exclude

v. to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity

synonym: expel, ban, bar

(1) **exclude** a newcomer, (2) **exclude** all other possibilities The cost for the trip **excludes** food and beverages.

unimaginable

adj. beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision

synonym: unthinkable, inconceivable, incredulous

(1) **unimaginable** horror, (2) **unimaginable** depths

The complexity of scientific theories was **unimaginable** for most people.

blame

- v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something badsynonym: condemn, rebuke, find fault with
- (1) **blame** circumstances for the failure, (2) **blame** the lack of knowledge

We **blamed** our impeded progress on lack of money.

misfortune

an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble

synonym: adversity, calamity, tragedy

(1) economic **misfortune**, (2) a string of **misfortunes**The flood was a great **misfortune** to the small town causing extensive damage.

neo-liberal

adj. relating to a modern political and economic philosophy that emphasizes the promotion of free markets, limited government intervention, privatization, and deregulation

synonym: free-market, laissez-faire, capitalist

(1) **neo-liberal** economic model, (2) **neo-liberal** ideology The government's **neo-liberal** policies prioritize free-market capitalism over social welfare programs.

zombie

 a dead body that has been brought back to life by a supernatural force; someone who acts or responds in a mechanical or apathetic way

synonym: living dead, ghost, machine

(1) **zombie** bank, (2) **zombie** movie

If you don't get a good night's sleep, you will become a **zombie** at work.

doctrine

 a belief or set of ideas held and taught by a church, political party, or other groups

synonym: creed, principle, tenet

(1) religious **doctrine**, (2) **doctrine** of non-violence The church **doctrine** teaches that all are equal in the eyes of God.

comprehensive

adj. complete and including all or everything necessary *synonym*: complete, encyclopedic, thorough

(1) a **comprehensive** explanation, (2) conduct a **comprehensive** survey

We have a **comprehensive** grasp of this topic.

discredit

 to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable

synonym: disprove, undermine, disgrace

(1) **discredit** a theory, (2) **discredit** a witness

The company's unethical practices have **discredited** its brand image in the eyes of consumers.

crisis

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

synonym: concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management

The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

collapse

v. to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart

synonym: tumble, spill, bankruptcy

(1) the stock market **collapsed**, (2) ready to **collapse**The roof finally **collapsed** after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.

exposed

adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

synonym: endangered, revealed, disclosed

 exposed to radiation, (2) an exposed rock
 Tech companies often employ exposed ducts and other materials in their office interiors.

feat

 a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

synonym: achievement, accomplishment, exploit

(1) intellectual **feat**, (2) **feat** accomplishment It is an incredible **feat** to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

deregulation

 the process of reducing or removing government regulations and restrictions in a particular industry or sector, often to promote competition and reduce costs

synonym: liberalization

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(1) **deregulation** of the economy, (2) aviation **deregulation** The government's **deregulation** of the telecommunications industry led to increased competition.

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

synonym: banking, investment, fund

(1) finance act, (2) manage my finances

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in **finance**.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym: farthermost, outermost, fierce

extreme sports, (2) extreme weather events
 Solar gravity creates extreme pressures and temperatures.

competition

 a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

synonym: contest, match, fight

(1) the first round of the **competition**, (2) intraspecific **competition**

Global **competition** is rising in virtually every industry.

flaw

 a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

synonym: defect, fault, imperfection

(1) a minor flaw, (2) the flaw in the legislation

Even the slightest design **flaw** in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

intellect

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my intellect, (2) human intellect

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

dominate

v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

synonym: govern, rule, prevail

(1) **dominate** possession, (2) **dominate** over the weak The perspective of his right brain **dominates** his consciousness.

replace

- v. to take the place of something
- synonym: substitute, supersede, displace
- (1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

navigate

v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

synonym: guide, helm, voyage

(1) **navigate** the Pacific, (2) **navigate** through a document Our knowledge helps **navigate** our clients successfully.

interpret

v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

synonym: decode, decipher, analyze

interpret a graph, (2) interpret the question
 Different people might interpret this news differently.

complexity

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

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

contradictory

adj. containing or consisting of conflicting or incompatible elements

synonym: conflicting, opposing, inconsistent

(1) apparently **contradictory**, (2) **contradictory** evidence His statements were **contradictory**, leaving the audience confused.

narrative

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

synonym: the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

fidelity

 faithfulness to a person, cause, or thing; loyalty or devotion to a duty or obligation; accuracy or exactness in reproducing or representing something

synonym: loyalty, devotion, allegiance

(1) **fidelity** guarantee deposit, (2) high **fidelity** music The couple promised each other **fidelity** in their marriage vows.

doe

n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

synonym: rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

progression

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

synonym: advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

creature

n. a living being, especially an animal

synonym: being, animal, organism

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

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

string

 long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads

synonym: line, wire, rope

(1) retie the **string** and make it strong, (2) tense piano **strings**

She wore a **string** of pearls around her neck.

empirical

adj. based on or verifiable by observation or experience rather than theory or pure logic

synonym: observational, experiential, factual

(1) **empirical** research, (2) **empirical** philosophy The study's results were based on **empirical** evidence gathered from extensive research.

displace

v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

synonym: evict, exile, remove

(1) **displace** workers, (2) **displace** the explosive power The construction of the new dam will **displace** hundreds of families living downstream.

persuasive

adj. tending to make you want to do or believe a particular thing; convincing

synonym: convincing, compelling, influential

(1) **persuasive** advertising, (2) **persuasive** speaker He made a **persuasive** argument for the new policy.

attune

v. to make receptive or aware; to bring into harmony or alignment

synonym: align, harmonize, acclimate

(1) **attune** to nature, (2) **attune** myself to the rhythm It is important to **attune** yourself to your customers' needs to

provide the best service possible.

structure

 the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

synonym: construction, architecture, establishment

(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of the brain

The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

plot

 a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal

synonym: scheme, plan, design

(1) **plot** twist, (2) **plot** a revolution

The **plot** of the novel centers around a group of friends who uncover a conspiracy to control the world's water supply.

tremendous

adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **tremendous** amount, (2) **tremendous** popularity We had a **tremendous** time yesterday.

disorder

 an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions

synonym: chaos, disturbance, disease

 the files are in complete disorder, (2) people with bipolar disorder

The doctor prescribed some medicine for the mental **disorder**.

afflict

 to cause pain, suffering, or distress to someone or something

synonym: trouble, distress, bother

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(1) **afflict** with the plague, (2) **afflict** the economy The disease can **afflict** both humans and animals.

nefarious

 adj. extremely wicked or criminal; evil or immoral; often used to describe someone engaged in sinister or unlawful activities

synonym: wicked, evil, villainous

(1) **nefarious** intentions, (2) **nefarious** activities

The undercover investigator exposed the **nefarious** plan before any harm could be done.

hero

 a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

synonym: champion, protagonist, savior

(1) local hero, (2) unsung hero

The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national **hero**.

revolt

n. to take violent action against authority, especially government or ruler

synonym: rebellion, uprising, insurgence

(1) **revolt** against existing ways of thinking, (2) **revolt** against the dictator

The people tried to **revolt** to oust the tyrant.

odds

 the degree or probability that a particular thing will or will not happen

synonym: chances, likelihoods, probabilities

(1) odds in favor, (2) odds of business

What are the **odds** that he will survive?

overthrow

v. to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force

synonym: defeat, destroy, conquer

(1) **overthrow** the government, (2) **overthrow** the theory

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The group aims to **overthrow** the military regime.

harmony

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

synonym: balance, accord, congruence

- (1) a **harmony** of colors, (2) break a **harmony** We worked in perfect **harmony**.
- n. the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

synonym: authoritative book, holy book, doctrine

(1) a passage from the **Bible**, (2) believe **Bible** prophecy Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology **bible**.

harry

bible

v. to persistently harass, badger, or bother someone or something; to persistently attack or pursue an opposing force or target

synonym: bother, pester, annoy

harry the ship all night, (2) harry a suspect
 need to harry my coworkers to finish the project on time.

potter

n. a person who makes pottery, objects that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable; (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind

synonym: shape, form, mold

(1) **potter's** studio, (2) **potter** around in the garden
The ancient Egyptians were skilled **potters** and left behind
many beautiful artifacts.

lord

 a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office

synonym: master, noble, peer

(1) a young **lord**, (2) **lord** of castle

The feudal **lord** had ruled the land for many years.

accompany

- v. to go somewhere or travel with someone or something synonym: follow, escort, attend
- (1) **accompany** a chicken dish, (2) **accompany** the book Please let me know if you want to **accompany** me to my hometown.

religion

a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

synonym: faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

transformation

 a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something

synonym: change, conversion, renewal

(1) the **transformation** of a tadpole into a frog, (2) cast a **transformation** spell

Understanding unitary **transformations** of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.

millennium

- a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
- (1) past **millennium**, (2) **millennium** bottle of wine Our world is in the third **millennium**.

laissez-faire

 an economic theory advocating minimal government intervention in the economy, allowing market forces to regulate production, supply, and prices

synonym: hands-off, free

(1) **laissez-faire** attitude, (2) **laissez-faire** approach The **laissez-faire** economic policy allowed businesses to operate with minimal government intervention.

economics

 n. the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services

synonym: social science, finance, business

(1) welfare **economics**, (2) **economics** professor His class will cover an introduction to agricultural **economics**.

trigger

- v. to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to functionsynonym: activate, spark, drive
- (1) **trigger** a biochemical response, (2) **trigger** inflation The incident **triggered** a political controversy.

depression

 a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

synonym: recession, slump, despair

(1) the Great **Depression**, (2) the root problem of her **depression**

Depression symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.

elite

adj. belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society

synonym: privileged, favored, elect

(1) earn **elite** status, (2) **elite** athlete

Very few educational **elites** go to Oxford or Cambridge.

capture

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

synonym: catch, arrest, imprison

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

wealth

 a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

synonym: affluence, assets, fortunate

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(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth** The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

contest

- n. a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivalssynonym: battle, competition, match
- a speech contest,
 a close contest
 there was a vast contest between the two tribes.

redistribute

- v. to share something among people in a different way synonym: rearrange, readjust, reconstruct
- redistribute income fairly, (2) redistribute data
 The general redistributed the troops more strategically.

resonate

- v. to be filled with a deep echoing sound synonym: echo, reverberate, resound
- (1) deeply **resonate** with the consumers, (2) **resonate** in the same frequency

The sound **resonates** well in this theater.

spectrum

 an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

synonym: range, scale, spread

(1) a broad **spectrum** of opinion, (2) infrared **spectrum** This device displayed the speech **spectrum** spectrographically.

democracy

 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.

republican

 a person who supports or advocates for a particular form of government, typically one that has an elected head of state rather than a monarch; a member or supporter of the Republican Party in the United States synonym: conservative, right-winger, rightist

(1) **republican** ideology, (2) **Republican** party

Many **republican** lawmakers are advocating for stricter immigration policies.

labor

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

synonym: toil, moil, donkeywork

(1) seasonal **labor**, (2) manual **labor**

In several countries, child **labor** is a serious social problem.

conservative

adj. holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

synonym: traditional, reactionary, cautious

(1) a **conservative** society, (2) **conservative** about production

He always makes a **conservative** estimation when predicting future sales.

broad

adj. very wide; general

synonym: wide, expansive, comprehensive

(1) attract **broad** attention, (2) a **broad** mind

He accumulated wealth across a broad spectrum of assets.

mighty

adj. very large, powerful, or strong synonym: potent, powerful, robust

(1) mighty works, (2) struck a mighty blow

Only the **mighty** God has the power to brighten this dark land.

crush

to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller

synonym: destroy, demolish, pulverize

(1) crush coffee beans, (2) crush a revoltThe car was completely crushed in the accident.

individualism

 the habit or principle of being independent and self-reliant

synonym: self-reliance, autonomy, self-sufficiency

(1) rampant **individualism**, (2) nation of **individualism** An ethic of **individualism** encourages people to make choices based on their values and beliefs rather than the values and beliefs of the group or society.

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.

entrepreneur

 an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks

synonym: founder, executive

(1) a successful **entrepreneur**, (2) billionaire **entrepreneur Entrepreneurs** willingly accept business risks to achieve success.

roll

v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

synonym: spin, swirl, wheel

(1) roll a ball, (2) roll down his cheeks

He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.

opposition

the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

synonym: resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

identical

adj. being the exact same one synonym: duplicate, exact, analogous

(1) pair of identical twins, (2) an identical equation Infant formulas are nutritionally almost identical to a mother's breast milk.

opponent

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

synonym: adversary, competitor, enemy

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

watered-down

adj. diluted or weakened by the addition of water or other substances; lacking in force, intensity, or purity as a result of dilution or weakening

synonym: weak, diluted, thin

(1) watered-down solution, (2) watered-down drink The company released a watered-down version of its popular software to appeal to a broader audience.

microwave

a form of electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths n. ranging from about one millimeter to one meter and frequencies between 300 MHz (0.3 GHz) and 300 GHz; an electric oven that cooks food by exposing it to high-frequency electromagnetic radiation, which causes the food molecules to vibrate and heat up quickly

synonym: oven, waveguide, radar range

- (1) microwave radiation, (2) microwave popcorn I heated my leftover food in the **microwave** oven, which tasted just as good as freshly cooked.
- to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; ν. to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other

stick

material

synonym: pierce, adhere, stay

(1) **stick** a key in a lock, (2) fire **stick**

You **stick** a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

despair

 the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

synonym: dismay, anguish, misery

(1) **despair** at the future, (2) untold **despair**

His friend's death drove him to despair.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym: fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

evaporate

v. to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually

synonym: vaporize, disappear, vanish

(1) **evaporate** the water, (2) **evaporate** almost overnight The sun will **evaporate** the mist.

appeal

 a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest

synonym: request, charm, attraction

(1) draw out your **appeal**, (2) an **appeal** for help He needed to resolve the problem as soon as possible, so he made an **appeal** directly.

- n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do somethingsynonym: ambition, appetite, greed
- unsatisfied desire, (2) fleshly desire
 Low sexual desire typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

intelligible

adj. capable of being understood or apprehendedsynonym: apprehensible, understandable, comprehensible

(1) **intelligible** pronunciation, (2) **intelligible** to anyone He gave me an **intelligible** answer.

nation

 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.

fascinating

adj. extremely interesting

synonym: alluring, intriguing, captivating

(1) **fascinating** story, (2) completely **fascinating** to me The museum houses a **fascinating** collection of Celtic artifacts.

convergent

adj. tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge

synonym: merging, meeting

(1) **convergent** beam, (2) **convergent** thinking The similarities between the two cultures suggest **convergent** evolution.

psychology

- n. the scientific study of mind and behavior
- (1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

anthropology

- n. the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
- (1) social anthropology, (2) anthropology of religion

The areas of **anthropology** and psychology are significantly related to one another.

neuroscience

- the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
- (1) the branch of **neuroscience**, (2) a theoretical concept in **neuroscience**

Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral **neuroscience**.

evolutionary

adj. relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms

synonym: developmental, mutative, transformative

(1) ecology and **evolutionary** biology, (2) the **evolutionary** process

Evolutionary algorithms can find ways to optimize that humans do not anticipate.

biology

- 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.

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.

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.

altruism

n. the belief or practice of disinterested and selfless concern for the well-being of others; unselfish devotion to the welfare of others often expressed as acts of kindness or charity

synonym: selflessness, philanthropy, generosity

(1) acts of altruism, (2) altruism in society

His act of volunteering at the homeless shelter was a clear example of practical **altruism**.

greedy

adj. having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food

synonym: avaricious, covetous, grasping

(1) **greedy** person, (2) **greedy** for money

His **greedy** behavior led him to steal from the company.

dominant

adj. more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

synonym: chief, predominant, prevailing

(1) achieve a **dominant** share, (2) **dominant** force Her company soon won a **dominant** market share.

supreme

adj. highest in rank, level, or importance

synonym: foremost, highest, greatest

(1) the **supreme** commander, (2) justice of the **supreme** court

The **supreme** pleasure of life is the conviction that we are loved.

cooperate

 to work together with one or more people or organizations to achieve a goal

synonym: collaborate, team up, work together

(1) **cooperate** with one another, (2) **cooperate** closely in various ways

The team had to **cooperate** to complete the project on time.

survive

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period synonym: endure, persist, stay

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(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

savannah

- n. a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't closesynonym: grassland, plain
- (1) **savannah** region, (2) tropical **savannah**The birds live in tropical forests, **savannahs**, and arid semi-desert environments.

predator

- n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on otherssynonym: vulture, bloodsucker
- (1) apex **predator**, (2) sexual **predators**The native South American animals were in danger because of the **predator's** arrival.

prey

n. the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating

synonym: target, quarry, chase

(1) **prey** of beast, (2) become **prey** to terrorists The majority of snakes swallow their **prey** whole.

engage

- v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of somethingsynonym: confront, employ, amuse
- (1) engage in environmental protection activities,
- (2) engage a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

mutual

adj. common to or shared by two or more partiessynonym: shared, common, joint

(1) share of a **mutual** fund, (2) **mutual** efforts They cooperated for their **mutual** benefit.

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aid

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

synonym: helper, resource, assistance

(1) financial **aid**, (2) country-by-country **aid** programs Pakistan's **aid** budget was still being reviewed.

urge

v. to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

synonym: push for, advise, (noun) impulse

(1) urge a total ban, (2) a sexual urge

The lobbyist **urged** Congress not to approve the measure.

hardwired

adj. built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics

synonym: innate, ingrained, automatic

(1) **hardwired** behavior, (2) **hardwired** connection

The instinct to protect one's offspring is **hardwired** into many animal species.

crucial

adj. extremely vital or necessary synonym: essential, pivotal, vital

(1) **crucial** information, (2) a **crucial** issue for women The revitalization of technology companies is **crucial** to the country's growth.

humankind

- n. the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth synonym: humanity, human race, society
- (1) **humankind** as a species, (2) history of **humankind** On the geological time scale, **humankind** has existed for a brief moment.

cooperation

 the act or situation of working together with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc.

synonym: collaboration, affiliation, alliance

(1) cooperation with strategic partners, (2) thoroughgoing

cooperation

The **cooperation** between businesses and universities created this groundbreaking product.

horrible

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust synonym: dreadful, terrible, awful

(1) horrible accident, (2) horrible smell

The experience was **horrible** and left a lasting impression.

thwart

- v. to prevent something from happening or succeeding synonym: hinder, block, obstruct
- (1) thwart enemy plans, (2) thwart attemptsHe thwarted the thief's attempt to steal the painting.

mistrust

v. to have doubts or suspicions about the honesty or sincerity of someone

synonym: doubt, suspect, question

(1) **mistrust** a young man, (2) **mistrust** the government He **mistrusted** her apology because of her past lies.

atom

 the smallest unit of ordinary matter that forms a chemical element, composed of a nucleus and one or more electrons bound to the nucleus

synonym: particle, element, fraction

(1) oxygen **atom**, (2) neutral hydrogen **atoms**The outermost electron shell of an **atom** determines its chemical characteristics.

bond

 a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

synonym: bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market They had formed a friendship **bond**.

vacuum

 a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction synonym: void, emptiness, gap

(1) vacuum cleaner, (2) vacuum packing

Please use the **vacuum** to clean up the mess on the floor.

violent

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

synonym: aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

intolerant

adj. the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects

synonym: failure, impotence, shortcoming

(1) an **intolerant** person, (2) **intolerant** of criticism His **intolerant** attitude towards other cultures made it difficult for him to get along with others.

altruist

 a person who has an unselfish or selfless concern for the welfare of others; a person who values the well-being of others over their interests or desires

synonym: benefactor, philanthropist, donor

(1) charitable **altruist**, (2) an **altruistic** act
The wealthy philanthropist was known as an **altruistic** individual who donated generously to many charities.

govern

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

synonym: control, rule, preside

(1) a nation's right to **govern**, (2) **govern** a public enterprise The regulations **governing** medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

psychopath

 a person with an extreme personality disorder characterized by a lack of empathy, remorse, and ethical values; often associated with manipulative and deceitful behavior, impulsivity, and risk-taking tendencies

synonym: sociopath, antisocial, monster

(1) **psychopath** tendencies, (2) violent **psychopath** The detective identified the **psychopath** who had been terrorizing the city for months.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormoussynonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

belong

invoke

v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

synonym: fit, be appropriate, be suitable

- (1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.
- v. to call upon or request help or support, especially from a higher power; to mention or use something as a reason or justification for actions or decisions

synonym: evoke, summon, call forth

(1) **invoke** memories, (2) **invoke** the right to remain silent The politician **invoked** the name of the founding fathers in his speech.

recover

- v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength synonym: come back, convalesce, heal
- recover a loss, (2) recover approval ratings
 still recovering from a shot to her shoulder.

component

 one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger

synonym: element, part, factor

(1) key **component**, (2) spare **components** for cars

The researchers try to discover a common **component** in all types of successful organizations.

atomization

 the process of breaking something down into very small, separate particles or individual components, often to the point of fragmentation or disintegration

synonym: fragmentation, disintegration, pulverization

(1) **atomization** process, (2) social **atomization**The **atomization** of liquid chocolate is important in the creation of chocolate sprays.

thrive

- v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progresssynonym: bloom, flourish, prosper
- (1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

civic

adj. of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it synonym: community, civic, communal

(1) **civic** activity, (2) **civic** center

The city promotes **civic** collaboration in community development

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

planet

 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.

neglect

v. to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone

synonym: delinquency, carelessness, decay

(1) neglect to call, (2) neglect ethical issuesHe neglected his health to make the project a success.

sphere

 a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity

synonym: ball, globe, scope

(1) **sphere** of influence, (2) business **sphere**The **sphere** of the earth is divided into several layers including the crust, mantle, and core.

capitalism

- n. an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit synonym: commercialism
- (1) advance **capitalism**, (2) under the umbrella of **capitalism**

Capitalism also guarantees intellectual property rights and thus promotes innovation.

communist

 adj. relating to or supporting the political ideology of communism (= a form of socialism that abolishes private ownership)

synonym: socialist, marxist, leninist

(1) **communist** party, (2) **communist** activist During the Cold War, many countries feared the spread of **communist** ideology.

consist

- v. to be composed or made up of synonym: lie in, comprise, exist
- (1) **consist** mainly of cells, (2) **consist** only in knowing facts This examination **consists** of five problems to solve.

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.

negotiation

 the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

synonym: bargaining, dialogue, haggling

(1) **negotiation** process, (2) **negotiation** skills

The **negotiation** between the two countries was a delicate and complex process.

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.

broadband

- a type of high-speed internet connection that provides wide bandwidth for faster data transmission; any communication technology that allows high-speed data transfer
- mobile broadband, (2) fiber-optic broadband
 need to upgrade my Internet plan to get faster broadband speeds.

cooperative

adj. involving doing something jointly or working with others to achieve a common goal

synonym: harmonious, collegial, helpful

cooperative savings, (2) fishing cooperative
 we appreciate your cooperative efforts.

allotment

 a portion or share of something that is divided and designated for a particular person or purpose; a plot of land, typically used for gardening or farming, that is divided into separate areas for individual cultivation

synonym: assignment, allocation, portion

(1) allotment holder, (2) time allotment

I was given a small garden **allotment** where I could grow my vegetables.

ignore

- v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to synonym: neglect, disregard, shun
- ignore her advice, (2) ignore a ban
 Since independence, the area has been completely ignored.

exploit

v. to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc.

synonym: use, abuse, control

(1) **exploit** a security hole, (2) **exploit** a valuable opportunity

We **exploit** our mining resources to strengthen our national power.

revive

 to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore

synonym: reanimate, rejuvenate, renew

(1) **revive** my energy, (2) **revive** an old friendship They **revived** the tradition of holding a parade on the main street every year.

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**.

trump

 a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

(1) trump card, (2) choose trump

The **trump** suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.

representative

 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.

temper

 a person's state of mind, emotions, or attitude; a tendency to become angry or excited easily; the elasticity and hardness of a metal object

synonym: mood, disposition, nature

(1) a hasty **temper**, (2) bridle my **temper**

The **temper** of the steel needs to be just right to ensure the product's durability.

refine

v. to make something more pure, polished, cultured, or effective; to improve, perfect, or enhance through a process of purification or development

synonym: purify, process, improve

(1) **refine** oil, (2) **refine** a language

The company is working to **refine** its production process to be more efficient.

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.

determinant

 a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

synonym: cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

slightly

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

synonym: barely, narrowly, scarcely

(1) increase **slightly**, (2) **slightly** alkaline soils He moved his body **slightly** to the left.

fascist

 adj. relating to or supporting fascism, which is a political ideology that emphasizes authoritarian government, nationalism, and suppression of political opposition and individual liberties

synonym: authoritarian, dictatorial, totalitarian

(1) fascist propaganda, (2) fascist policies

The regime was accused of being **fascist** for their oppressive tactics.

frightening

adj. causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarmingsynonym: scary, terrifying, alarming

(1) cast **frightening** eyes, (2) **frightening** experience The news of the pandemic was a **frightening** reminder of the fragility of human health.

homogeneous

 adj. consisting of or composed of parts that are similar or identical in nature, kind, or character; uniform in structure or composition

synonym: uniform, consistent, like

(1) **homogeneous** society, (2) **homogeneous** culture The population in the rural area was very **homogeneous**, with everyone having the same cultural and ethnic background.

uniform

adj. always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of

identification

synonym: livery, outfit

(1) at a **uniform** temperature, (2) our school **uniform** This country has a nationally **uniform** culture.

chant

 a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

synonym: hymn, mantra, (verb) recite

(1) chant melodies, (2) chant in the chapel

The soccer game crowd broke into a **chant** of "Go, team, go!"

slogan

 a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea

synonym: catchphrase, tagline, motto

(1) catchy slogan, (2) advertising slogan

The company spent months researching and testing different brand **slogans** before finally settling on 'Just Do It' as their new tagline.

sufficient

adj. adequate; enough for a particular purpose or requirement

synonym: acceptable, ample, satisfactory

(1) **sufficient** time, (2) self- **sufficient** economy

That candidate does not have **sufficient** means to win an election with certainty.

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.

burrow

to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal synonym: tunnel, dig, excavate

(1) **burrow** through the forest, (2) **burrow** into a mystery You can't **burrow** through solid metal.

defend

stray

bin

v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

synonym: protect, guard, support

- (1) **defend** my country, (2) **defend** against a threat International law allows each nation to **defend** itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.
- v. to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be

synonym: deviate, err, depart

- (1) **stray** beyond the confines, (2) **stray** from a rule Tourists often get lost and **stray** into a restricted area.
- n. a container, usually that has a lid and used for wastesynonym: container, trunk, garbage can
- (1) a waste bin, (2) mail binYou can open the overhead bin after landing.

engaging

adj. attracting, pleasant, or charmingsynonym: alluring, interesting, engrossing

(1) **engaging** story, (2) an **engaging** smile She was disbarred for her **engaging** in fraud.

inclusive

adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

synonym: cover-all, all-embracing, comprehensive

(1) a fully **inclusive** price, (2) **inclusive** education The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its **inclusive** policy.

mess

 a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy

synonym: disarray, confusion, predicament

(1) have a whole **mess**, (2) get into a **mess** He made a frightful **mess** in his room.

infect

v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

synonym: pollute, contaminate, affect

(1) **infect** other animal species, (2) **infect** a computer with a virus

Children often infect parents with this head cold.

Session 2: Spelling

11. th___t attempts

12. a young I d

1.	majority of his weh	n.	a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
2.	redute income fairly	<i>v</i> .	to share something among people in a different way
3.	an apI for help	n.	a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
4.	conduct a comive survey	adj.	complete and including all or everything necessary
5.	a brd mind	adj.	very wide; general
6.	an official repive	n.	someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
7.	get into a ms	n.	a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
8.	pair of idal twins	adj.	being the exact same one
9.	ree my energy	ν.	to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore
10.	cot only in knowing facts	<i>v</i> .	to be composed or made up of

ANSWERS: 1. wealth, 2. redistribute, 3. appeal, 4. comprehensive, 5. broad, 6. representative, 7. mess, 8. identical, 9. revive, 10. consist, 11. thwart, 12. lord

ν.

n.

succeeding

to prevent something from happening or

a person who has general authority,

noble rank or high office

control, or power over others; a man of

13.	p_t twist	n.	a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
14.	cote closely in various ways	v.	to work together with one or more people or organizations to achieve a goal
15.	os of business	n.	the degree or probability that a particular thing will or will not happen
16.	a city vit with life	adj.	full of energy, life, and enthusiasm
17.	done of non-violence	n.	a belief or set of ideas held and taught by a church, political party, or other groups
18.	welfare eccs	n.	the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
19.	a conive society	adj.	holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
20.	apex pror	n.	an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
21.	sue a plane crash	<i>v</i> .	to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
22.	social antogy	n.	the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
23.	inet a graph	<i>v</i> .	to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

ANSWERS: 13. plot, 14. cooperate, 15. odds, 16. vibrant, 17. doctrine, 18. economics, 19. conservative, 20. predator, 21. survive, 22. anthropology, 23. interpret

ANSWERS: 24. misfortune, 25. neglect, 26. biology, 27. opponent, 28. depression, 29. capture, 30. spectrum, 31. defend, 32. mess, 33. homogeneous, 34. desire

something

43. ne____us activities

adj. extremely wicked or criminal; evil or immoral; often used to describe someone engaged in sinister or unlawful activities

n.

the future; a severe recession in an

one or more businesses, especially

an individual who creates or invests in

when this involves taking financial risks

economy or market

ANSWERS: 35. sufficient, 36. trump, 37. atomization, 38. unimaginable, 39. watered-down, 40. sufficient, 41. depression, 42. entrepreneur, 43. nefarious

42. billionaire ent____eur

a person who is admired or idealized for 44. local h o n. courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities a person with an extreme personality 45. violent psy____th n. disorder characterized by a lack of empathy, remorse, and ethical values; often associated with manipulative and deceitful behavior, impulsivity, and risk-taking tendencies adj. attracting, pleasant, or charming 46. an en___ng smile 47. int ble pronunciation adj. capable of being understood or apprehended to call upon or request help or support, 48. in e memories ν. especially from a higher power; to mention or use something as a reason or justification for actions or decisions 49. ec y class the system by which a country or region n. 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 to go somewhere or travel with 50. ac____ny a chicken dish someone or something

ANSWERS: 44. hero, 45. psychopath, 46. engaging, 47. intelligible, 48. invoke, 49. economy, 50. accompany, 51. plot

n.

a secret plan or scheme to achieve a

literary work; (verb) to plan secretly,

usually something illegal

specific goal; the plan or main story of a

51. p t a revolution

ANSWERS: 52. survive, 53. individualism, 54. contradictory, 55. temper, 56. thrive, 57. progression, 58. vacuum, 59. fascist, 60. altruist, 61. psychopath

ANSWERS: 62. trigger, 63. crisis, 64. complexity, 65. intolerant, 66. defend, 67. economics, 68. incredible, 69. exploit, 70. dominant, 71. hero

who exhibits heroic qualities

72.	mae stars	adj.	enormous amount; very heavy and solid
73.	hole smell	adj.	extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
74.	treus popularity	adj.	very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
75.	at incle speed	adj.	unbelievable; enormous
76.	environmental detnt	n.	a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
77.	perve speaker	adj.	tending to make you want to do or believe a particular thing; convincing
78.	sty from a rule	v.	to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be
79.	dote possession	v.	to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
80.	key cont	n.	one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
81.	d_e rabbit	n.	a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
82.	material weh	n.	a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
83.	cooon with strategic partners	n.	the act or situation of working together with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc.

ANSWERS: 72. massive, 73. horrible, 74. tremendous, 75. incredible, 76. determinant, 77. persuasive, 78. stray, 79. dominate, 80. component, 81. doe, 82. wealth, 83. cooperation

84. ec y of scale the system by which a country or region n. 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 85. ca___e customers' hearts to catch a person or an animal and ν. confine them in an area which they cannot escape 86. our school un____m adj. always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification the act of disagreeing or resisting; the 87. meet with opp____on n. state of strong disagreement the smallest unit of ordinary matter that 88. oxygen a m n. forms a chemical element, composed of a nucleus and one or more electrons bound to the nucleus 89. acts of al sm the belief or practice of disinterested and selfless concern for the well-being of others: unselfish devotion to the welfare of others often expressed as acts of kindness or charity a piece of equipment or hole for 90. t p an animal catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

ANSWERS: 84. economy, 85. capture, 86. uniform, 87. opposition, 88. atom, 89. altruism, 90. trap

ANSWERS: 91. hardwired, 92. exposed, 93. string, 94. extreme, 95. comprehensive, 96. potter, 97. nation, 98. allotment, 99. individualism

independent and self-reliant

regulate production, supply, and prices

108. ex___e a newcomer

v. to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity

109. spare co____nts for cars

n. one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger

ANSWERS: 100. structure, 101. neglect, 102. neuroscience, 103. afflict, 104. competition, 105. discredit, 106. bond, 107. laissez-faire, 108. exclude, 109. component

n.	discarded material, refuse, or waste
v.	to have doubts or suspicions about the honesty or sincerity of someone
n.	a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
ν.	to defeat or remove a leader or a government from a position of power by force
adj.	enormous amount; very heavy and solid
n.	a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
v.	to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
adj.	always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification
adj.	relating to a modern political and economic philosophy that emphasizes the promotion of free markets, limited government intervention, privatization, and deregulation
	v. n. v. adj. n.

ANSWERS: 110. trash, 111. mistrust, 112. slogan, 113. overthrow, 114. massive, 115. competition, 116. stick, 117. uniform, 118. neo-liberal

adj.	containing or consisting of conflicting or incompatible elements
v.	to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal
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
adj.	based on or verifiable by observation or experience rather than theory or pure logic
v.	to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable
n.	any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
<i>v</i> .	to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
v.	to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal
ν.	to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
n.	someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
	v. n. v. v. v. v.

ANSWERS: 119. contradictory, 120. burrow, 121. democracy, 122. empirical, 123. discredit, 124. planet, 125. recover, 126. burrow, 127. infect, 128. representative

and selfless concern for the well-being of others; unselfish devotion to the welfare of others often expressed as acts of kindness or charity

n. a story or a description of a series of

events or process of telling a story

ANSWERS: 129. temper, 130. greedy, 131. refine, 132. opportune, 133. decide, 134. frightening, 135. stick, 136. altruism, 137. narrative

137. na____ve poetry

138. struck a n	niy blow	adj.	very large, powerful, or strong
139. con	_nt beam	adj.	tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge
140. der	_ion of the economy	n.	the process of reducing or removing government regulations and restrictions in a particular industry or sector, often to promote competition and reduce costs
141. ene a	new employee	ν.	to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
142. exe	sports	adj.	very great in amount or degree
143. buck and	d_e	n.	a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
144. nate	the Pacific	<i>v</i> .	to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
145. cognitive	comty	n.	the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
146. religious o	done	n.	a belief or set of ideas held and taught by a church, political party, or other groups
147. a crl	l issue for women	adj.	extremely vital or necessary
148. ree a	language	v.	to make something more pure, polished, cultured, or effective; to improve, perfect, or enhance through a process of purification or development

ANSWERS: 138. mighty, 139. convergent, 140. deregulation, 141. engage, 142. extreme, 143. doe, 144. navigate, 145. complexity, 146. doctrine, 147. crucial, 148. refine

ANSWERS: 149. redistribute, 150. watered-down, 151. inclusive, 152. allotment, 153. harry, 154. intellect, 155. recover, 156. evolutionary, 157. finance

that studies the management of money

and other assets

158. po___r's studio a person who makes pottery, objects n. that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable: (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind 159. cr___re of habit a living being, especially an animal n. things sent to help countries in need, 160. country-by-country a d programs n. notably food or money; support to grow or expand; to improve or refine 161. de p a strategy 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 an unfortunate event or circumstance; 162. economic mis____ne n. bad luck or trouble 163. business sp___e a round object or geometric shape that n. is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity 164. re t against the dictator to take violent action against authority, n. especially government or ruler 165. p y of beast the object of a hunt; an animal hunted n. or trapped for eating to press it firmly, usually with your 166. cr h coffee beans hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller to move in a particular direction by 167. r la ball turning over and over or from side to side

ANSWERS: 158. potter, 159. creature, 160. aid, 161. develop, 162. misfortune, 163. sphere, 164. revolt, 165. prey, 166. crush, 167. roll

168. cht melodies	n.	a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
169. vit incident	adj.	involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
170. human inct	n.	the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
171. a passage from the Bie	n.	the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
172. achieve a dont share	adj.	more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type
173. coal combination of funds	adj.	belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
174. crI information	adj.	extremely vital or necessary
175. justice of the sue court	adj.	highest in rank, level, or importance
176. dee a question	ν.	to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
177. ret against existing ways of thinking	n.	to take violent action against authority, especially government or ruler
178. tropical saah	n.	a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close

ANSWERS: 168. chant, 169. violent, 170. intellect, 171. bible, 172. dominant, 173. communal, 174. crucial, 175. supreme, 176. decide, 177. revolt, 178. savannah

ANSWERS: 179. exclude, 180. trigger, 181. urge, 182. amazing, 183. opportune, 184. civic, 185. microwave, 186. laissez-faire, 187. bond

that a government or corporation issues

to raise money

188. nan-state	n.	a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
189. neus intentions	adj.	extremely wicked or criminal; evil or immoral; often used to describe someone engaged in sinister or unlawful activities
190. choose trp	n.	a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
191. rI down his cheeks	ν.	to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
192. hay a suspect	ν.	to persistently harass, badger, or bother someone or something; to persistently attack or pursue an opposing force or target
193. victim of a vit crime	adj.	involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
194. neoal economic model	adj.	relating to a modern political and economic philosophy that emphasizes the promotion of free markets, limited government intervention, privatization, and deregulation
195. desnt of a pioneer	n.	children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
196. ree a phone	<i>v</i> .	to take the place of something
197. infrared spum	n.	an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

ANSWERS: 188. nation, 189. nefarious, 190. trump, 191. roll, 192. harry, 193. violent, 194. neo-liberal, 195. descendant, 196. replace, 197. spectrum

198. an intnt person	adj.	the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects
199. hund as a species	n.	the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
200. financial a_d	n.	things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
201. emal research	adj.	based on or verifiable by observation or experience rather than theory or pure logic
202. slly alkaline soils	adv.	in a small degree or extent; a little
203. ready to cose	ν.	to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
204. variety of vit colors	adj.	full of energy, life, and enthusiasm
205. the in a society	ν.	to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
206. gon a public enterprise	ν.	to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
207. oppon campaign	n.	the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
208. mist a young man	ν.	to have doubts or suspicions about the honesty or sincerity of someone
209. cote with one another	v.	to work together with one or more people or organizations to achieve a goal

ANSWERS: 198. intolerant, 199. humankind, 200. aid, 201. empirical, 202. slightly, 203. collapse, 204. vibrant, 205. thrive, 206. govern, 207. opposition, 208. mistrust, 209. cooperate

develop or change from earlier forms

the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

the feeling that there is no hope and n. you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

ANSWERS: 210. disorder, 211. fascist, 212. infect, 213. feat, 214. overthrow, 215. feat, 216. disorder, 217. evolutionary, 218. negotiation, 219. despair

218. neg____on process

219. de r at the future

the object of a hunt; an animal hunted 220. become p y to terrorists n. or trapped for eating 221. ev____te almost overnight to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually 222. mi___y works adj. very large, powerful, or strong 223. mil____um bottle of wine a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th n. anniversary (plural: millennia) 224. re___on sociology a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny 225. a ha____y of colors the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect: an attractive combination of related things and their properties 226. int____ble to anyone adj. capable of being understood or apprehended 227. el t death to choose someone for a specific ν. position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something the smallest unit of ordinary matter that 228. neutral hydrogen a ms n. forms a chemical element, composed of a nucleus and one or more electrons bound to the nucleus 229. ex___t a security hole to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc. 230. psy____gy of crowd the scientific study of mind and behavior 231. co____st party adj. relating to or supporting the political

ANSWERS: 220. prey, 221. evaporate, 222. mighty, 223. millennium, 224. religion, 225. harmony, 226. intelligible, 227. elect, 228. atom, 229. exploit, 230. psychology, 231. communist

ideology of communism (= a form of

socialism that abolishes private

ownership)

232. the sue commander	adj.	highest in rank, level, or importance
233. inet the question	<i>v</i> .	to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
234. stre and function of the brain	n.	the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
235. dice workers	ν.	to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
236. parte fully in conversation	v.	to take part in something
237. advance capsm	n.	an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
238. attract brd attention	adj.	very wide; general
239. ige her advice	<i>v</i> .	to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
240. ree an old friendship	<i>v</i> .	to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore
241. fleshly dee	n.	a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
242. Id of castle	n.	a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
243. a fully inve price	adj.	including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

ANSWERS: 232. supreme, 233. interpret, 234. structure, 235. displace, 236. participate, 237. capitalism, 238. broad, 239. ignore, 240. revive, 241. desire, 242. lord, 243. inclusive

244. sa___ah region a mixed forest and grassland n. ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close 245. th___t enemy plans to prevent something from happening or ν. succeeding 246. computer op___nt a person against whom you are playing n. or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc. 247. seasonal la__r productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal a container, usually that has a lid and 248. mail b n n. used for waste 249. tr h disposal site discarded material, refuse, or waste n. 250. earn el e status adj. belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society 251. hom____us culture adj. consisting of or composed of parts that are similar or identical in nature, kind, or character; uniform in structure or composition 252. do____te over the weak to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something 253. par te in the program to take part in something ν.

ANSWERS: 244. savannah, 245. thwart, 246. opponent, 247. labor, 248. bin, 249. trash, 250. elite, 251. homogeneous, 252. dominate, 253. participate

ANSWERS: 254. sphere, 255. convergent, 256. contest, 257. hardwired, 258. blame, 259. anthropology, 260. urge, 261. afflict

262. fie act	n.	the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
263. aviation derion	n.	the process of reducing or removing government regulations and restrictions in a particular industry or sector, often to promote competition and reduce costs
264. believe Bie prophecy	n.	the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
265. psygy experiment	n.	the scientific study of mind and behavior
266. Repan party	n.	a person who supports or advocates for a particular form of government, typically one that has an elected head of state rather than a monarch; a member or supporter of the Republican Party in the United States
267. freedom of reon	n.	a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
268. crs management	n.	a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
269. gry person	adj.	having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food

ANSWERS: 262. finance, 263. deregulation, 264. bible, 265. psychology, 266. republican, 267. religion, 268. crisis, 269. greedy

270. pro_____on of civilization the act or process of changing to the n. next stage or phase or moving forward 271. fri ng experience adj. causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming 272. en___e in environmental protection to attract and keep someone's attention ν. and interest; to participate in or obtain activities services of something 273. thoroughgoing coo____on the act or situation of working together n. with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc. 274. de___p a skill 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 the degree or probability that a 275. o__s in favor n. particular thing will or will not happen 276. a nation's right to go n to legally control and direct a country, ν. city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services 277. at___e to nature to make receptive or aware; to bring into harmony or alignment 278. th en a healthy relationship to utter intentions of injury or ν. punishment against someone productive work, especially physical 279. manual la r n. work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to

ANSWERS: 270. progression, 271. frightening, 272. engage, 273. cooperation, 274. develop, 275. odds, 276. govern, 277. attune, 278. threaten, 279. labor

reach a goal

280. history of hund	n.	the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
281. mive popcorn	n.	a form of electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths ranging from about one millimeter to one meter and frequencies between 300 MHz (0.3 GHz) and 300 GHz; an electric oven that cooks food by exposing it to high-frequency electromagnetic radiation, which causes the food molecules to vibrate and heat up quickly
282. completely fasng to me	adj.	extremely interesting
283. break a hay	n.	the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties
284. ele athlete	adj.	belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society
285. enng story	adj.	attracting, pleasant, or charming
286. zoe bank	n.	a dead body that has been brought back to life by a supernatural force; someone who acts or responds in a mechanical or apathetic way
287. imry pregnancy	adj.	existing only in someone's mind
288. nate through a document	<i>v</i> .	to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

ANSWERS: 280. humankind, 281. microwave, 282. fascinating, 283. harmony, 284. elite, 285. engaging, 286. zombie, 287. imaginary, 288. navigate

289. a theoretical concept in neunce	n.	the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
290. an idal equation	adj.	being the exact same one
291. social atoon	n.	the process of breaking something down into very small, separate particles or individual components, often to the point of fragmentation or disintegration
292. past milum	n.	a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
293. beg to a group	v.	to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
294. cell and molecular biy	n.	the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
295. untold der	n.	the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
296. cr_h a revolt	v.	to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller
297. mobile brnd	n.	a type of high-speed internet connection that provides wide bandwidth for faster data transmission; any communication technology that allows high-speed data transfer
298. zoe movie	n.	a dead body that has been brought back to life by a supernatural force; someone who acts or responds in a mechanical or apathetic way
ANSWERS: 289. neuroscience, 290. identi	cal.	291. atomization, 292. millennium,

ANSWERS: 289. neuroscience, 290. identical, 291. atomization, 292. millennium, 293. belong, 294. biology, 295. despair, 296. crush, 297. broadband, 298. zombie

299.	the fw in the legislation	n.	a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
300.	third-generation desnt	n.	children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
301.	the traion of a tadpole into a frog	n.	a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
302.	high fity music	n.	faithfulness to a person, cause, or thing; loyalty or devotion to a duty or obligation; accuracy or exactness in reproducing or representing something
303.	tense piano stgs	n.	long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
304.	decy 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
305.	acny the book	<i>v</i> .	to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
306.	rete in the same frequency	v.	to be filled with a deep echoing sound
307.	treus amount	adj.	very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
308.	evte the water	<i>v</i> .	to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually
309.	advertising sln	n.	a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea

ANSWERS: 299. flaw, 300. descendant, 301. transformation, 302. fidelity, 303. string, 304. democracy, 305. accompany, 306. resonate, 307. tremendous, 308. evaporate, 309. slogan

310. a waste b_n	n.	a container, usually that has a lid and used for waste
311. negon skills	n.	the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others
312. artificial crre	n.	a living being, especially an animal
313. vam cleaner	n.	a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction
314. ige a ban	v.	to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
315. the most amg feeling	adj.	extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
316. fishing coove	adj.	involving doing something jointly or working with others to achieve a common goal
317. cic center	adj.	of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
318. cot mainly of cells	<i>v</i> .	to be composed or made up of
319. personal nave	n.	a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
320. the stock market cosed	v.	to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
321. coove savings	adj.	involving doing something jointly or working with others to achieve a common goal
322. cht in the chapel	n.	a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

ANSWERS: 310. bin, 311. negotiation, 312. creature, 313. vacuum, 314. ignore, 315. amazing, 316. cooperative, 317. civic, 318. consist, 319. narrative, 320. collapse, 321. cooperative, 322. chant

323. exd to radiation	adj.	having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
324. cost activist	adj.	relating to or supporting the political ideology of communism (= a form of socialism that abolishes private ownership)
325. a minor fw	n.	a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
326. elt the school board	v.	to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
327. then national security	ν.	to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
328. sexual prors	n.	an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
329. perve advertising	adj.	tending to make you want to do or believe a particular thing; convincing
330. repan ideology	n.	a person who supports or advocates for a particular form of government, typically one that has an elected head of state rather than a monarch; a member or supporter of the Republican Party in the United States
331. draw out your apI	n.	a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
332. ine the right to remain silent	ν.	to call upon or request help or support, especially from a higher power; to mention or use something as a reason or justification for actions or decisions

ANSWERS: 323. exposed, 324. communist, 325. flaw, 326. elect, 327. threaten, 328. predator, 329. persuasive, 330. republican, 331. appeal, 332. invoke

333. ho____le accident adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust 334. fi ty guarantee deposit faithfulness to a person, cause, or thing; loyalty or devotion to a duty or obligation; accuracy or exactness in reproducing or representing something 335. at___e myself to the rhythm to make receptive or aware; to bring ν. into harmony or alignment adj. holding traditional views and values and 336. con ive about production opposed to change or innovation 337. set a t__p a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping to be the property of someone or 338. be g to different species ν. something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place a competition in which people compete 339. a speech co t for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals 340. mu l efforts adj. common to or shared by two or more parties 341. st y beyond the confines to move about aimlessly or without any destination; to move away from the right course or place where you should be 342. re___e one word with another to take the place of something ν.

ANSWERS: 333. horrible, 334. fidelity, 335. attune, 336. conservative, 337. trap, 338. belong, 339. contest, 340. mutual, 341. stray, 342. replace, 343. blame

ν.

343. bl__e the lack of knowledge

to think or say that someone or

responsible for something bad

something did something wrong or is

ANSWERS: 344. mutual, 345. slightly, 346. unimaginable, 347. communal, 348. displace, 349. planet, 350. capitalism, 351. transformation, 352. determinant, 353. broadband

transfer

data transmission; any communication technology that allows high-speed data

adj. extremely interesting

adj. existing only in someone's mind

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ANSWERS: 354. resonate, 355. entrepreneur, 356. altruist, 357. fascinating, 358. imaginary

357. fas____ng story

358. im____ry number

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1.	Different people might this news differently.
ν.	to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
2.	symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.
n.	a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
3.	An ethic of encourages people to make choices based on their values and beliefs rather than the values and beliefs of the group or society.
n.	the habit or principle of being independent and self-reliant
4.	The undercover investigator exposed the plan before any harm could be done.
adj	extremely wicked or criminal; evil or immoral; often used to describe someone engaged in sinister or unlawful activities
5.	The general the troops more strategically.
ν.	to share something among people in a different way
6.	The phone rang at the most time.
adj	suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
7.	During the Cold War, many countries feared the spread of ideology.
adj	relating to or supporting the political ideology of communism (= a form of socialism that abolishes private ownership)
	SWERS: 1. interpret, 2. Depression, 3. individualism, 4. nefarious, 5. redistributed apportune, 7. communist

ANSWERS: 54. flaw, 55. broad, 56. tremendous, 57. collapsed, 58. thwarted, 59. temper, 60. infect, 61. Democracy, 62. creature

ANSWERS: 87. slogans, 88. watered-down, 89. allotment, 90. dominant, 91. fidelity, 92. spectrum, 93. complexity, 94. transformations

progression, 114. supreme, 115. recovering, 116. doe, 117. contest

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	The perspective of his right brain his consciousness.	
<i>v</i> .	to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something	
150.	Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral	
n.	the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system	
151.	The majority of students actively in the college's intramural sports program.	
<i>v</i> .	to take part in something	
152.	The flood was a great to the small town causing extensive damage.	
n.	an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble	
153.	They had formed a friendship	
n.	a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money	
154.	Your is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.	
n.	the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level	
155.	His friend's death drove him to	
n.	the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation	
156.	Without investment, a business cannot	
v.	to grow vigorously; to make steady progress	
	WERS: 149. dominates, 150. neuroscience, 151. participated, 152. misfortune, bond, 154. intellect, 155. despair, 156. thrive	

ANSWERS: 157. unimaginable, 158. trash, 159. resonates, 160. trap, 161. accompany, 162. violent, 163. opposition, 164. invoked

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ANSWERS:	