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Session 1: Word List

renowned

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

synonym: noted, prominent, acclaimed

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

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

economical

adj. providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

synonym: frugal, thrifty, parsimonious

(1) **economical** use of her time, (2) an **economical** meal

It is more **economical** to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

blacksmith

n. a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil

(1) **blacksmith** welding, (2) **blacksmith** shop

The **blacksmith** shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.

wealth

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

synonym: affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

argue

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

synonym : debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

reserve

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

synonym : keep, hold, preserve

(1) **reserve** the right, (2) **reserve** a concert ticket

You can easily **reserve** seats over the telephone.

commerce

n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

synonym : trade, transaction, dealings

(1) interstate **commerce**, (2) the local chamber of **commerce**

This company has invested heavily in Internet **commerce**.

gross

adj. being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant

synonym : before tax, total, abhorrent

(1) the **gross** amount, (2) **gross** injustice

The drastic reorganization has significantly increased this company's **gross** profits.

domestic

adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

synonym : endemic, private, household

(1) **domestic** airline, (2) a **domestic** animal

GDP stands for gross **domestic** product.

intent

n. a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to

do or achieve something

synonym : purpose, aim, goal

(1) the **intent** of a question, (2) **intent** gaze

The designer's **intent** was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.

argument

n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

synonym : debate, discourse, discussion

(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment

The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

context

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

synonym : background, setting, environment

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

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

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

worthwhile

adj. having value or benefit; sufficiently important or beneficial to be worthy of time or effort; deserving of attention or consideration

synonym : valuable, rewarding, significant

(1) **worthwhile** investment, (2) **worthwhile** endeavor

Volunteering for a **worthwhile** cause is important for building a sense of community.

fulfill

v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

synonym: satisfy, complete, accomplish

(1) **fulfill** a contract, (2) **fulfill** a lifetime dream

It was the first time for her, but she **fulfilled** the role of Priest.

illegal

adj. not allowed by law

synonym: banned, prohibited, illicit

(1) **illegal** drugs, (2) child of **illegal** immigrants

The customs agents seized the **illegal** shipment.

consumption

n. the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials

synonym: usage, uptake, utilization

(1) average fuel **consumption**, (2) the **consumption** of food

In our country, water **consumption** usually decreases during the winter.

unpaid

adj. not yet paid; without payment

synonym: overdue, delinquent, outstanding

(1) **unpaid** account, (2) **unpaid** leave

Some employees claim they were simply **unpaid**.

boost

v. to improve, raise, or increase something

synonym: raise, advance, promote

(1) **boost** the economy, (2) **boost** flexibility

The new service helped **boost** net income by 10%.

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.

dam

n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

synonym: barricade, barrier, embankment

(1) **dam-building** program, (2) **dam** collapsing

The break in the **dam** threatened the valley.

sustainable

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

synonym: continuable, enduring, tolerable

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

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

planet

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

synonym: earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

upheaval

n. great change, disruption, or disturbance; (geology) a rise of land to a higher elevation

synonym: disturbance, turmoil, upheaval

(1) **upheaval** of society, (2) the big **upheaval** of my life

The recent political **upheaval** has left the country in a state of chaos.

inequality

n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

synonym: imbalance, prejudice, unfairness

(1) **inequality** in salary, (2) algebraic **inequality**

There are several causes of economic **inequality** within

societies.

climate

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

synonym: atmosphere, weather, environment

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

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

emergency

n. a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

synonym: crisis, trouble, difficulty

(1) **emergency** action, (2) acute **emergency**

The president declared a state of **emergency**.

automatic

adj. able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control

synonym: mechanical, robotic, intuitive

(1) **automatic** operation, (2) the **automatic** shrinking of the pupils

In passenger aircraft, it is common to use an **automatic** pilot during cruising.

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.

definition

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

synonym: description, connotation, meaning

(1) a precise **definition**, (2) the **definition** of a word

Parallel lines are, by **definition**, lines on the same plane that never cross.

compelling

adj. arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration

synonym : tempting, captivating, influential

(1) tell a **compelling** story, (2) new and **compelling** evidence

His **compelling** presentation deeply moved everyone.

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym : more and more, progressively

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

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

well-being

n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

synonym : health, welfare, happiness

(1) the **well-being** of a nation, (2) a sense of **well-being**

We are responsible for the care and **well-being** of all our employees.

sin

n. the offense against a religious or moral law or against God

synonym : misdeed, guilt, wrong

(1) forgive a **sin**, (2) **sin** of omission

Some overzealous environmentalists claim celebrities are committing carbon dioxide **sins**.

pursue

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

synonym : seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

policy

n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or

plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

synonym : strategy, plan, guideline

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

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

implication

n. something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something

synonym : suggestion, association, conclusion

(1) the **implication** in a crime, (2) the **implication** of a word
His poem has a very significant **implication**.

resonance

n. a deep, full, or reverberating sound or tone; a quality or feeling of a particular emotional or mental vibration or significance; a mutual or sympathetic connection or correspondence between two things

synonym : echo, vibration, reverberation

(1) **resonance** frequency, (2) harmonic **resonance**

The singer's voice filled the auditorium with beautiful **resonance**.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

synonym : chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

provoke

v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect

synonym : stimulate, incite, encourage

(1) **provoke** a disease, (2) **provoke** a reaction

Her behavior **provoked** a quarrel between the couple.

profound

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

synonym : deep, unsounded, far-reaching

(1) a **profound** book, (2) the **profound** depths of the sea
My mother's illness had a **profound** impact on us all.

fundamental

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

synonym : basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

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.

engage

v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

synonym : 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.

alienation

n. the state of being isolated or detached from one's social, emotional, or political environment

synonym : estrangement, separation, detachment

(1) human **alienation**, (2) international **alienation**

His feelings of **alienation** from society led to depression.

disaffection

n. a feeling of dissatisfaction or resentment towards someone or something, especially a government or system

synonym : alienation, estrangement, dissatisfaction

(1) public **disaffection**, (2) **disaffection** among workers

The government's policies have caused widespread **disaffection** among the citizens.

prevalent

adj. existing very commonly in a particular area or in a specific time

synonym: common, ubiquitous, rampant

(1) **prevalent** in Japan, (2) **prevalent** belief

This virus is **prevalent** in many tropical nations.

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.

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.

framework

n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text

synonym: structure, scheme, foundation

(1) legal **framework**, (2) the **framework** of a house

He devised a new analytical **framework** to capture the phenomenon.

indicator

n. something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing

synonym : barometer, signal, index

(1) **indicator** lamp, (2) performance **indicators**

Several IT millionaires have shown that the level of education is a relatively poor **indicator** of whether a business can be successfully run.

vary

v. to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

synonym : alter, contrast, differ

(1) **vary** according to the age, (2) **vary** directly with the price

Maximum heart rates **vary** a lot for each individual.

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.

statistics

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

strategy

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

synonym : approach, procedure, scenario

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

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

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

synonym : significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

tackle

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
synonym: deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change

The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

competitiveness

n. the quality or characteristic of being competitive, or the ability or inclination to compete; the degree or extent to which someone or something is competitive in nature or behavior

synonym: rivalry, competition, contest

(1) economic **competitiveness**, (2) global **competitiveness**

The industry's **competitiveness** requires companies to innovate and improve their products constantly.

commitment

n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

synonym: burden, obligation, promise

(1) a **commitment** to an alliance, (2) meet his **commitments**

His business **commitments** took him to the United States.

decision

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

transition

n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

synonym: change, growth, shift

(1) **transition** phase, (2) ensure a smooth **transition**

The nation's healthcare system is in **transition** at the moment.

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.

carbon

n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

(1) **carbon** dioxide, (2) **carbon** emission

Trees absorb **carbon** dioxide and give off oxygen.

transformation

n. 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.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

synonym: reference, allude, cite

(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report

I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

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.

relevance

n. the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

synonym: pertinence, applicability, connection

(1) have no **relevance**, (2) **relevance** category

The **relevance** of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.

childcare

n. a service involving care for other people's children

synonym: babysitting

(1) **childcare** allowance, (2) allow **childcare** leave

Our company offers a full range of **childcare** facilities as part of our benefits package.

paternity

n. the state of being a father; the attribution of a specific child to a particular father; the characteristics or traits inherited or passed down from a father

synonym: fatherhood, fathering, parenthood

(1) **paternity** suit, (2) **paternity** test

The **paternity** leave policy at his workplace allowed him to take time off to bond with his new baby

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym: directly, instantly, promptly

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

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

moral

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

synonym: honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

observation

n. the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone

synonym: watching, notice, reflection

(1) class **observation** day, (2) **observation** instrument
In the hospital, she will remain under constant **observation**.

government

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

synonym: administration, regime, state

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

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

judge

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

synonym: arbiter, justice, (verb) deduce

(1) **judge** a competition, (2) an associate **judge**

The strict **judge** ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

proportion

n. a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole

synonym: ratio, balance, consonance

(1) direct **proportion**, (2) a building of vast **proportions**

He is more concerned about the **proportion** of his body fat than usual because of an upcoming bodybuilding competition.

extent

n. the point or degree or area to which something extends

synonym: amount, degree, intensity

(1) certain **extent**, (2) the **extent** of the damage

I was amazed at the **extent** of her generosity.

principle

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

synonym: rule, creed, code

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

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

promote

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

synonym : boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior
The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

birthplace

n. the house, town, etc., where someone was born

synonym : hometown, native place, origin

(1) ancestral **birthplaces**, (2) **birthplace** of modern soccer
The **birthplace** of civilization is a topic of much debate among historians.

divide

v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

synonym : separate, disconnect, split

(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money equally

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym : sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

enlightenment

n. education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge

synonym : civilization, awareness, sophistication

(1) spiritual **enlightenment**, (2) **enlightenment** activity

He finally brought his **enlightenment** to perfection.

industrial

adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry

synonym : manufacturing, mechanical

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

alcohol

Industrial design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.

determinant

n. 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.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. the wel_____ng of a nation | <i>n.</i> the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous |
| 2. a cold cl_____e | <i>n.</i> the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period |
| 3. de_____p a strategy | <i>v.</i> 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 |
| 4. new and com_____ng evidence | <i>adj.</i> arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration |
| 5. the ex____t of the damage | <i>n.</i> the point or degree or area to which something extends |
| 6. s_n of omission | <i>n.</i> the offense against a religious or moral law or against God |
| 7. effects of cl_____e change | <i>n.</i> the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period |
| 8. class obs_____on day | <i>n.</i> the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone |
| 9. write him an answer imm_____ly | <i>adv.</i> now or without delay |
| 10. pa_____ty suit | <i>n.</i> the state of being a father; the attribution of a specific child to a particular father; the characteristics or traits inherited or passed down from a father |

ANSWERS: 1. well-being, 2. climate, 3. develop, 4. compelling, 5. extent, 6. sin, 7. climate, 8. observation, 9. immediately, 10. paternity

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| 11. sus_____le alternative fuel | <i>adj.</i> able to continue or be continued for a long time |
| 12. em_____cy action | <i>n.</i> a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action |
| 13. co_____al combination of funds | <i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use |
| 14. economic com_____ess | <i>n.</i> the quality or characteristic of being competitive, or the ability or inclination to compete; the degree or extent to which someone or something is competitive in nature or behavior |
| 15. up_____al of society | <i>n.</i> great change, disruption, or disturbance; (geology) a rise of land to a higher elevation |
| 16. cast a tra_____ion spell | <i>n.</i> a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something |
| 17. telescopic vi_____n | <i>n.</i> the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see |
| 18. international ali_____on | <i>n.</i> the state of being isolated or detached from one's social, emotional, or political environment |
| 19. ca_____e customers' hearts | <i>v.</i> to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape |
| 20. pl_____t like the Earth | <i>n.</i> any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star |

ANSWERS: 11. sustainable, 12. emergency, 13. communal, 14. competitiveness, 15. upheaval, 16. transformation, 17. vision, 18. alienation, 19. capture, 20. planet

21. pa_____ty test *n.* the state of being a father; the attribution of a specific child to a particular father; the characteristics or traits inherited or passed down from a father
22. majority of his we___h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
23. pr_____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
24. have no re_____ce *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
25. the in___t of a question *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
26. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
27. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
28. di___e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
29. a prodigious vi___n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

ANSWERS: 21. paternity, 22. wealth, 23. principle, 24. relevance, 25. intent, 26. strategy, 27. context, 28. divide, 29. vision

30. pr_____e a reaction *v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
31. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
32. acute em_____cy *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
33. v__y directly with the price *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
34. fu_____l a lifetime dream *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
35. high imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
36. performance in_____ors *n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing
37. re_____e the right *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
38. child of il_____l immigrants *adj.* not allowed by law
39. il_____l drugs *adj.* not allowed by law
40. harmonic re_____ce *n.* a deep, full, or reverberating sound or tone; a quality or feeling of a particular emotional or mental vibration or significance; a mutual or sympathetic connection or correspondence between two things

ANSWERS: 30. provoke, 31. government, 32. emergency, 33. vary, 34. fulfill, 35. importance, 36. indicator, 37. reserve, 38. illegal, 39. illegal, 40. resonance

41. ine_____ty in salary *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
42. ju__e a competition *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
43. beginning of the ind_____al revolution *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
44. ca___n emission *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
45. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
46. foreign po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
47. re_____ce frequency *n.* a deep, full, or reverberating sound or tone; a quality or feeling of a particular emotional or mental vibration or significance; a mutual or sympathetic connection or correspondence between two things

ANSWERS: 41. inequality, 42. judge, 43. industrial, 44. carbon, 45. obvious, 46. policy, 47. resonance

48. forgive a s_n *n.* the offense against a religious or moral law or against God
49. 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
50. pu___e a goal *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
51. an eco_____al meal *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
52. dis_____ion among workers *n.* a feeling of dissatisfaction or resentment towards someone or something, especially a government or system
53. a precise def_____on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
54. algebraic ine_____ty *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
55. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
56. public dis_____ion *n.* a feeling of dissatisfaction or resentment towards someone or something, especially a government or system

ANSWERS: 48. sin, 49. commission, 50. pursue, 51. economical, 52. disaffection, 53. definition, 54. inequality, 55. nation, 56. disaffection

65. pr_____nt in Japan *adj.* existing very commonly in a particular area or in a specific time
66. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
67. 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
68. pr_____e bad behavior *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
69. the fr_____rk of a house *n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
70. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
71. in_____or lamp *n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing
72. v__y according to the age *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
73. bla_____th welding *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil

ANSWERS: 65. prevalent, 66. fundamental, 67. commission, 68. promote, 69. framework, 70. develop, 71. indicator, 72. vary, 73. blacksmith

74. a building of vast pro_____ons *n.* a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole
75. bla_____th shop *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
76. the gr__s amount *adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant
77. global com_____ess *n.* the quality or characteristic of being competitive, or the ability or inclination to compete; the degree or extent to which someone or something is competitive in nature or behavior
78. a re_____ed artist *adj.* famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.
79. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
80. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
81. 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
82. ind_____al alcohol *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry

ANSWERS: 74. proportion, 75. blacksmith, 76. gross, 77. competitiveness, 78. renowned, 79. statistics, 80. conversation, 81. economy, 82. industrial

83. re_____ce category *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
84. re_____ed as a novelist *adj.* famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.
85. material we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
86. a pr_____nd book *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
87. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
88. pr_____nt belief *adj.* existing very commonly in a particular area or in a specific time
89. a det_____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
90. the au_____ic shrinking of the pupils *adj.* able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
91. un____d leave *adj.* not yet paid; without payment
92. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
93. meet his com_____nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
94. do_____ic airline *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

ANSWERS: 83. relevance, 84. renowned, 85. wealth, 86. profound, 87. conversation, 88. prevalent, 89. determinant, 90. automatic, 91. unpaid, 92. immediately, 93. commitment, 94. domestic

95. help ta___e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
96. a man of imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
97. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
98. a br__d mind *adj.* very wide; general
99. tra_____on phase *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
100. ch_____re allowance *n.* a service involving care for other people's children
101. bo__t the economy *v.* to improve, raise, or increase something
102. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
103. re_____e a concert ticket *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
104. spiritual enl_____ent *n.* education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge
105. a com_____nt to an alliance *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
106. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
107. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 95. tackle, 96. importance, 97. nation, 98. broad, 99. transition, 100. childcare, 101. boost, 102. government, 103. reserve, 104. enlightenment, 105. commitment, 106. decision, 107. decide

118. co____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
119. the def_____on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
120. the tra_____ion of a tadpole into a frog *n.* a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
121. ca___n dioxide *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
122. ancestral bir_____ces *n.* the house, town, etc., where someone was born
123. the local chamber of co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
124. a sense of wel_____ng *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
125. me_____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
126. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
127. mo__l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
128. fu_____l a contract *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
129. face inc_____gly complicated challenges *adv.* more and more
130. allow ch_____re leave *n.* a service involving care for other people's children

ANSWERS: 118. communal, 119. definition, 120. transformation, 121. carbon, 122. birthplace, 123. commerce, 124. well-being, 125. mention, 126. decide, 127. moral, 128. fulfill, 129. increasingly, 130. childcare

131. interstate co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
132. au_____ic operation *adj.* able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
133. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
134. eco_____al use of her time *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
135. attract br__d attention *adj.* very wide; general
136. the imp_____on of a word *n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
137. certain ex____t *n.* the point or degree or area to which something extends
138. the imp_____on in a crime *n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
139. legal fr_____rk *n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
140. wor_____le investment *adj.* having value or benefit; sufficiently important or beneficial to be worthy of time or effort; deserving of attention or consideration
141. principles of sus_____le development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time

ANSWERS: 131. commerce, 132. automatic, 133. fundamental, 134. economical, 135. broad, 136. implication, 137. extent, 138. implication, 139. framework, 140. worthwhile, 141. sustainable

142. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
143. human ali_____on *n.* the state of being isolated or detached from one's social, emotional, or political environment
144. the con_____on of food *n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials
145. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
146. un___d account *adj.* not yet paid; without payment
147. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
148. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
149. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
150. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
151. in___t gaze *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
152. a do_____ic animal *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

ANSWERS: 142. obvious, 143. alienation, 144. consumption, 145. divide, 146. unpaid, 147. decision, 148. argument, 149. engage, 150. moral, 151. intent, 152. domestic

153. save the pl___t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
154. pr_____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
155. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
156. the ar_____nt against capital punishment *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
157. d_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
158. d_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
159. gr__s injustice *adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant
160. inc_____gly become common *adv.* more and more
161. ca_____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
162. tell a com_____ng story *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
163. pr_____e a disease *v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect

ANSWERS: 153. planet, 154. principle, 155. mention, 156. argument, 157. dam, 158. dam, 159. gross, 160. increasingly, 161. capture, 162. compelling, 163. provoke

164. ensure a smooth tra_____on

n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

165. 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

166. pr_____e a better relationship

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

167. sta_____cs for cancer

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

168. direct pro_____on

n. a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole

ANSWERS: 164. transition, 165. economy, 166. promote, 167. statistics, 168. proportion

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
2. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.
n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
3. The _____ of civilization is a topic of much debate among historians.
n. the house, town, etc., where someone was born
4. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
5. The government's policies have caused widespread _____ among the citizens.
n. a feeling of dissatisfaction or resentment towards someone or something, especially a government or system
6. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
7. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

ANSWERS: 1. strategy, 2. wealth, 3. birthplace, 4. determinant, 5. disaffection, 6. statistics, 7. decision

8. This company has invested heavily in Internet _____.
- n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
9. The designer's _____ was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.
- n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
10. I was amazed at the _____ of her generosity.
- n.* the point or degree or area to which something extends
11. The government should do more to _____ sustainable agribusiness.
- v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
12. Some employees claim they were simply _____.
- adj.* not yet paid; without payment
13. Several IT millionaires have shown that the level of education is a relatively poor _____ of whether a business can be successfully run.
- n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing
14. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
15. My mother's illness had a _____ impact on us all.
- adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

ANSWERS: 8. commerce, 9. intent, 10. extent, 11. promote, 12. unpaid, 13. indicator, 14. develop, 15. profound

16. The singer's voice filled the auditorium with beautiful _____.
- n.* a deep, full, or reverberating sound or tone; a quality or feeling of a particular emotional or mental vibration or significance; a mutual or sympathetic connection or correspondence between two things
17. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.
- n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
18. He accumulated wealth across a _____ spectrum of assets.
- adj.* very wide; general
19. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
20. The _____ shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.
- n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
21. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.
- v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
22. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
- v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
23. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.
- v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly

ANSWERS: 16. resonance, 17. argument, 18. broad, 19. government, 20. blacksmith, 21. argued, 22. engaged, 23. mentioned

24. The strict _____ ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.
- n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
25. The recent political _____ has left the country in a state of chaos.
- n.* great change, disruption, or disturbance; (geology) a rise of land to a higher elevation
26. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.
- adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
27. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
- n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
28. This area is _____ for its hot springs.
- adj.* famous and respected for great achievements, qualities, etc.
29. The _____ leave policy at his workplace allowed him to take time off to bond with his new baby
- n.* the state of being a father; the attribution of a specific child to a particular father; the characteristics or traits inherited or passed down from a father
30. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.
- n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
31. The drastic reorganization has significantly increased this company's _____ profits.
- adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant

ANSWERS: 24. judge, 25. upheaval, 26. moral, 27. context, 28. renowned, 29. paternity, 30. principle, 31. gross

32. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

- v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

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

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

34. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.

- adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

35. The new service helped _____ net income by 10%.

- v. to improve, raise, or increase something

36. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?

- v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

37. _____ design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.

- adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry

38. There are several causes of economic _____ within societies.

- n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

39. Our company found it _____ difficult to keep up with the competition.

- adv. more and more

ANSWERS: 32. decide, 33. capture, 34. fundamental, 35. boost, 36. divide, 37. Industrial, 38. inequality, 39. increasingly

40. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

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

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

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

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

43. It was the first time for her, but she _____ the role of Priest.

v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

44. He finally brought his _____ to perfection.

n. education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge

45. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

46. He devised a new analytical _____ to capture the phenomenon.

n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text

47. Volunteering for a _____ cause is important for building a sense of community.

adj. having value or benefit; sufficiently important or beneficial to be worthy of time or effort; deserving of attention or consideration

ANSWERS: 40. obvious, 41. policy, 42. Climate, 43. fulfilled, 44. enlightenment, 45. vision, 46. framework, 47. worthwhile

48. It is more _____ to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

adj. providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

49. He is more concerned about the _____ of his body fat than usual because of an upcoming bodybuilding competition.

n. a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole

50. This virus is _____ in many tropical nations.

adj. existing very commonly in a particular area or in a specific time

51. In passenger aircraft, it is common to use an _____ pilot during cruising.

adj. able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control

52. Our company offers a full range of _____ facilities as part of our benefits package.

n. a service involving care for other people's children

53. You can easily _____ seats over the telephone.

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

54. The industry's _____ requires companies to innovate and improve their products constantly.

n. the quality or characteristic of being competitive, or the ability or inclination to compete; the degree or extent to which someone or something is competitive in nature or behavior

ANSWERS: 48. economical, 49. proportion, 50. prevalent, 51. automatic, 52. childcare, 53. reserve, 54. competitiveness

55. His _____ presentation deeply moved everyone.

adj. arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration

56. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation

57. In the hospital, she will remain under constant _____.

n. the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone

58. Maximum heart rates _____ a lot for each individual.

v. to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

59. Trees absorb _____ dioxide and give off oxygen.

n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

60. The customs agents seized the _____ shipment.

adj. not allowed by law

61. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.

adv. now or without delay

62. We are responsible for the care and _____ of all our employees.

n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

63. She intends to _____ a political career.

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

ANSWERS: 55. compelling, 56. tackle, 57. observation, 58. vary, 59. carbon, 60. illegal, 61. immediately, 62. well-being, 63. pursue

64. Understanding unitary _____ of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.
n. a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
65. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.
n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
66. His business _____ took him to the United States.
n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
67. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
68. Her behavior _____ a quarrel between the couple.
v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
69. GDP stands for gross _____ product.
adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
70. 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
71. The break in the ____ threatened the valley.
n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

ANSWERS: 64. transformations, 65. definition, 66. commitments, 67. conversation, 68. provoked, 69. domestic, 70. economy, 71. dam

72. Some overzealous environmentalists claim celebrities are committing carbon dioxide _____.
n. the offense against a religious or moral law or against God
73. His poem has a very significant _____.
n. something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
74. The government should do more to support environmentally _____ agriculture.
adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time
75. The nation's healthcare system is in _____ at the moment.
n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
76. The _____ of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.
n. the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
77. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.
n. the quality of being important and worthy of note
78. The president declared a state of _____.
n. a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
79. In our country, water _____ usually decreases during the winter.
n. the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials

ANSWERS: 72. sins, 73. implication, 74. sustainable, 75. transition, 76. relevance, 77. importance, 78. emergency, 79. consumption

80. 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

81. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.

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

82. 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

83. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

84. His feelings of _____ from society led to depression.

- n.* the state of being isolated or detached from one's social, emotional, or political environment

ANSWERS: 80. commission, 81. planet, 82. nation, 83. Communal, 84. alienation