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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### cartoon

*n.* a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption

*synonym*: illustration, drawing, caricature

(1) **cartoon** character, (2) **cartoon** industry

He spent his afternoon watching **cartoon** movies on TV.

### Catholic

*adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

(1) **catholic** in his tastes, (2) the **Catholic** Church

Sociologists are now interested in **catholic** world peace.

### wit

*n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

*synonym*: humor, comedy, funniness

(1) the **wit** of man, (2) full of **wit**

He has the **wit** to keep talking about this topic.

### 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**.

## **peter**

*v.* to fail or lose power, efficiency, or value gradually before coming to an end

*synonym* : decrease, drop, lower

(1) eventually **peter** out, (2) begin to **peter** out

The music just **petered** out.

## **announcement**

*n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news

*synonym* : declaration, notification, statement

(1) public **announcement**, (2) **announcement** date

The company made an **announcement** about its new product at a press conference.

## **president**

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

*synonym* : leader, CEO, chairperson

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

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

## **multilateral**

*adj.* involving or occurring among three or more parties or nations; having multiple sides or aspects; characterized by a cooperative or consensus-building approach to problem-solving or decision-making

*synonym* : multiple, many-sided, polyvalent

(1) **multilateral** negotiations, (2) **multilateral** trade agreement

The project's success depended on the cooperation of all the **multilateral** parties involved.

## **diplomacy**

*n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way

*synonym* : tact, negotiation, delicacy

(1) the language of **diplomacy**, (2) the art of **diplomacy**

Effective **diplomacy** is necessary to resolve conflicts and

maintain relationships between countries.

## imitate

*v.* to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something

*synonym*: mimic, emulate, replicate

(1) **imitate** painting styles, (2) **imitate** animal sounds

He **imitated** the modus operandi of the famous phantom thief.

## trump

*n.* 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.

## 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.

## satire

*n.* a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques

*synonym*: irony, mockery, ridicule

(1) **satire** magazine, (2) a pungent **satire**

The comedian's **satire** on politics had the audience laughing and thinking.

## nail

*n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes

*synonym*: pin, tack, fastener

(1) rusty **nail**, (2) **nail** clipper

He used a hammer and round **nail** to fix the loose board on the fence.

## outdo

*v.* to do better than someone; to surpass

*synonym*: excel, surpass, outshine

(1) **outdo** him in trickery, (2) **outdo** the competition

He tried to **outdo** his rival by breaking the world record.

## tweet

*n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

*synonym*: peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

(1) a chick's **tweet**, (2) his latest **tweets**

We could hear the **tweet** of baby birds.

## eve

*n.* (also as "Eve") the day or period of time immediately preceding a particular event; the biblical figure who was the first woman and wife of Adam, according to the Jewish and Christian faiths

*synonym*: evening, dusk, twilight

(1) **eve** of the party, (2) Christmas **Eve**

The **eve** of the wedding was filled with excitement and anticipation.

## merry

*adj.* cheerful and lively, often with a sense of joyfulness or celebration; characterized by a happy or festive mood

*synonym*: jolly, happy, cheerful

(1) **merry-making**, (2) **merry** laughter

We had a **merry** time at the Christmas party, singing carols and drinking eggnog.

## pathetic

*adj.* arousing pity, sorrow, or compassion; expressing or evoking sadness, weakness, or inadequacy; inadequate or inferior in quality or ability

*synonym*: pitiful, miserable, sad

(1) **pathetic** attempt, (2) **pathetic** display

The team's performance was **pathetic** and left the coach feeling disappointed.

## hero

*n.* 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**.

## hack

*v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks

*synonym* : cut, chop, crack

(1) **hack** through the jungle, (2) **hack** into the program

This blog offers a variety of tips for **hacking** everyday life.

## password

*n.* a secret word or phrase that must be used to gain admission to a place or service

*synonym* : passphrase, secret code, key

(1) **password** recovery, (2) **password** reset

I forgot my sign-in **password** and couldn't log in to my account.

## invention

*n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

*synonym* : creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

## joint

*adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people;  
(noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton

*synonym* : collaborative, cooperative, combined

(1) a **joint** venture, (2) the bone of a **joint**

After the summit meeting, the prime ministers issued a **joint** statement.

## cybersecurity

*n.* the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from

unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction

*synonym* : information security, cyber protection

(1) **cybersecurity** threat, (2) **cybersecurity** measures

As the use of technology continues to increase in everyday life, **cybersecurity** awareness and education become even more important

## union

*n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

*synonym* : alliance, coalition, confederation

(1) bank and credit **unions**, (2) a craft **union**

The trade **union** remained adamant about its demands.

## democracy

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

*synonym* : self-government, republic, commonwealth

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

**Democracy** often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

## miracle

*n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God

*synonym* : wonder, marvel, phenomenon

(1) **miracle** person, (2) economic **miracle**

The doctors said that her recovery was a **miracle**.

## dictator

*n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force

*synonym* : autocrat, tyrant, despot

(1) military **dictator**, (2) a **dictator** with enormous powers

A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the **dictator**.

## timeless

*adj.* not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion

*synonym* : dateless, everlasting, imperishable

(1) **timeless** masterpiece, (2) **timeless** topic

There is a **timeless** aspect to his most remarkable work.

## dynasty

*n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

(1) **dynasty** of China, (2) during the Ming **dynasty**

During the Habsburg **dynasty**, colonization began.

## straight

*adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

*synonym* : linear, honest, consecutive

(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months

He was sick for five **straight** days.

## bless

*v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify

*synonym* : sanctify, consecrate, hallow

(1) **bless** him in my heart, (2) **bless** you

The priest **blessed** the couple as they knelt before him.

## throne

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

*synonym* : seat, throne, chair

(1) abdicate the **throne**, (2) imperial **throne**

The king sat on his **throne**, surveying his kingdom.

## gel

*n.* a semi-solid substance, often transparent or translucent, that is used in various products from personal care to food to medicine, and which typically consists of a gelling agent that thickens the liquid

*synonym* : jelly, goo, paste

(1) **gel** nail polish, (2) antibacterial **gel**

I must use hair **gel** to style my hair for the job interview.

## egomaniac

*n.* a person who is obsessively focused on themselves, their desires, and their power and success, often to the point of disregarding and exploiting others

*synonym* : egotist, narcissist, self-obsessed person

(1) arrogant **egomaniac**, (2) **egomaniac** behavior

The office **egomaniac** always took credit for everyone else's ideas.

## smartphone

*n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict

Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.

## selfie

*n.* a photograph that one has taken of oneself, typically one taken with a smartphone or webcam to share on social media

*synonym* : self-portrait, self-photo, self-snap

(1) **selfie** stick, (2) pose for a **selfie**

She took a **selfie** in front of the famous tower and shared it on the app.

## peer

*n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability

*synonym* : fellow, associate, counterpart

(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review

Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.

## silicon

*n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

(1) **silicon** wafer, (2) crystalline **silicon**

**Silicon** is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.

## valley

*n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river



*synonym* : canyon, gorge, dale

(1) **valley** bottom, (2) basin-shaped **valley**

The **valley** had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

## emperor

*n.* the male ruler of an empire

*synonym* : ruler, king, dictator

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

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

## historic

*adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so

*synonym* : memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat

The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

## revolutionary

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

*synonym* : radical, innovative, groundbreaking

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

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

## journalist

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

*synonym* : reporter, newsperson, press

(1) a China-based **journalist**, (2) **journalist** on a magazine

Foreign TV crews and **journalists** can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

## jail

*n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison

*synonym* : prison, slammer, penitentiary

(1) county **jail**, (2) be in **jail**

The police escorted the prisoner to the **jail**.

## prevail

*v.* to be common, widespread, or frequent; to be the strongest or most powerful

*synonym*: triumph, prevail over, be victorious

(1) good will **prevail**, (2) **prevail** in a suit

It is common for oppressive governments to **prevail** through violence, using military and police force to control their citizens and suppress dissent.

## define

*v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

*synonym*: characterize, depict, express

(1) **define** a word, (2) **define** my position

To advance this discussion, we must **define** "success" rigorously.

## monarch

*n.* a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen

*synonym*: ruler, sovereign, majesty

(1) an absolute **monarch**, (2) **monarch** butterflies

She came from a commoner background but eventually became the **monarch** of that country.

## symbol

*n.* something visible that is used to represent something else

*synonym*: mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

## triumph

*n.* a great victory or achievement

*synonym*: victory, success, conquest

(1) **triumph** of democracy, (2) **triumph** of the spirit

The team's **triumph** in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.

## autocracy

*n.* a form of government in which one person has unlimited power and authority; a system of government in which a ruler or ruling class holds absolute power and controls all aspects of society

*synonym* : dictatorship, tyranny, authoritarianism

(1) fight against **autocracy**, (2) absolute **autocracy**

An **autocracy** with no democratic system in a place ruled the country.

## disappear

*v.* to cease to exist or be visible

*synonym* : fade, evaporate, vanish

(1) **disappear** without a trace, (2) **disappear** after a week

They watched the train **disappear** into the distance.

## blank

*adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information

*synonym* : empty, void, barren

(1) **blank** expression, (2) **blank** paper

The computer screen displayed nothing but a **blank** white screen

## opposition

*n.* 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.

## turkey

*n.* (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans

(1) swell like a **turkey**, (2) **turkey** breast meat

They prepared a stuffed **turkey** for Thanksgiving.

## exile

*n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons

*synonym* : banishment, expulsion, deportation

(1) **exile** community, (2) political **exile**

The **exiled** king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many

years.

## innocent

*adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge

*synonym*: blameless, honest, harmless

(1) an **innocent** child, (2) thousands of **innocent** people  
My husband was found **innocent** of any crime.

## provocative

*adj.* arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately

*synonym*: instigating, provoking, inciting

(1) **provocative** questions, (2) a **provocative** smile  
His **provocative** style frequently sparked controversies.

## revolution

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

*synonym*: coup, innovation, rebellion

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

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

## regime

*n.* the organization, a system, or method that is the governing authority of a political unit

*synonym*: administration, establishment, government

(1) a puppet **regime**, (2) exercise **regime**

Totalitarian **regimes** are less likely to innovate because they deprive individuals of economic incentives.

## flee

*v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

*synonym*: exit, escape, run away

(1) **flee** their homes, (2) **flee** abroad

It is a basic instinct to **flee** from a dangerous situation.

## torture

*n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for

some other reason

*synonym* : torment, abuse, mistreatment

(1) a **torture** chamber, (2) an instrument of **torture**

The use of **torture** is strictly prohibited under international law.

## nick

*n.* a small cut, notch, or indentation in a surface or an edge

*synonym* : incision, dent, indentation

(1) a **nick** on the fender of a car, (2) **nick** on my hand

The interviewer arrived in a **nick** of time.

## memorial

*n.* a structure or monument to commemorate a person or event

*synonym* : monument, remembrance, tribute

(1) **memorial** address, (2) **memorial** park

The war **memorial** stands as a reminder of the sacrifices made by our ancestors.

## tomb

*n.* a large stone structure or underground chamber in which the dead are buried

*synonym* : grave, burial site, mausoleum

(1) bury in **tomb**, (2) the ancient **tomb**

The **tomb** of the unknown soldier honored the bravery and sacrifice of those who lost their lives in battle.

## honor

*n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality;  
(verb) to show respect towards someone

*synonym* : integrity, virtue, acclaim

(1) womanly **honor**, (2) **honor** our ancestors

I claim on my **honor** that it is true.

## critic

*n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

*synonym* : pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

## foundation

*n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes

*synonym*: base, support, groundwork

(1) **foundation** course, (2) weak **foundation**

The **foundation** of the building was cracked and needed to be repaired.

## laureate

*n.* a person who has been awarded an honor or a prize for achievement in a particular field, especially in literature or academia; a poet who is honored for achieving the highest level of excellence in a competition or for producing a lifetime body of work

(1) Oscar **laureate**, (2) poet **laureate**

The Nobel **laureate** delivered an inspiring speech to the graduating class.

## defend

*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.

## association

*n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship

*synonym*: affiliation, collaboration, society

(1) word **associations**, (2) a scholarship **association**

His membership in the **association** provided him with numerous benefits.

## editorial

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

*synonym* : comment, opinion, critique

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

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

## advocate

*n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something

*synonym* : proponent, exponent, promoter

(1) an **advocate** of disarmament, (2) public education **advocates**

**Advocates** of abolishing the death penalty often argue that the alternative heaviest sentence should be life in prison.

## behalf

*n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone

*synonym* : benefit, advantage, favor

(1) on **behalf** of our management, (2) on his own **behalf**  
I gave witness on her **behalf**.

## threaten

*v.* 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.

## herald

*v.* to be a sign or indication of something to come; to proclaim or announce something publicly, often with great enthusiasm or fanfare

*synonym* : announce, proclaim, declare

(1) **herald** the news, (2) **herald** a new era

The sound of the trumpet **heralded** the arrival of the king.

## tribune

*n.* an official in ancient Rome who represented various social groups and had the power to veto decisions made

by other officials; a platform or elevated area used for speaking or addressing a public audience

*synonym*: platform, podium, stand

(1) the position of **tribune**, (2) editorial **tribune**

The politician delivered his speech from the **tribune** to a crowd of cheering supporters.

## edit

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

*synonym*: revise, modify, adjust

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

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

## edition

*n.* a particular form or version in which a text, especially a printed book, magazine, or newspaper, is published;

*synonym*: version, release, volume

(1) a paper **edition**, (2) **edition** deluxe

They issued a limited **edition** of the artist's recordings.

## denounce

*v.* to speak out against; to strongly criticize something or someone

*synonym*: condemn, disapprove, criticize

(1) **denounce** a statement, (2) **denounce** a heresy

He **denounced** the actions of the corrupt official.

## Semitic

*adj.* relating to the group of languages that includes Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic, spoken by the peoples of the middle east and north Africa

(1) anti- **Semitic** movement, (2) **Semitic** culture

The **Semitic** languages include Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic.

## trigger

*v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

*synonym*: activate, spark, drive

(1) **trigger** a biochemical response, (2) **trigger** inflation



The incident **triggered** a political controversy.

## widespread

*adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people

*synonym* : across-the-board, overall, general

(1) **widespread** use, (2) **widespread** fear of nuclear war  
In medieval times, death punishment was **widespread** and socially accepted.

## apology

*n.* an act of saying or writing that you are sorry for something that has been done wrong or that causes a trouble

*synonym* : regret, excuse, plea

(1) genuine **apology**, (2) accept his **apology**

She wrote a letter of **apology** to the renter.

## damage

*v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity

*synonym* : harm, impair, injure

(1) **damage** a relationship, (2) **damage** assessment

During the surgery, the doctor had to be extremely cautious not to **damage** a blood vessel.

## discuss

*v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

*synonym* : talk about, converse, debate

(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions

We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

## propaganda

*n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology

*synonym* : disinformation, misinformation, publicity

(1) **propaganda** campaign, (2) self-serving **propaganda**  
The government used **propaganda** pictures to spread its message of national unity.

## harsh

*adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit

*synonym*: brutal, severe, backbreaking

(1) **harsh** climate, (2) use of **harsh** chemicals

The prime minister faced **harsh** criticism.

## criticism

*n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure

*synonym*: critique, commentary, review

(1) **criticism** from the public, (2) harsh **criticism**

Constructive **criticism** is always helpful to help improving one's work.

## blind

*adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

*synonym*: sightless, unseeing, random

(1) **blind** to the beauties, (2) **blind** spot

She was nearly **blind** due to severe diabetes.

## prime

*adj.* main or most important; basic

*synonym*: excellent, exceptional, premium

(1) **prime** number, (2) deputy **prime** minister

After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the **prime** suspect.

## minister

*n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

*synonym*: bishop, official, ambassador

(1) **Minister** for Education, (2) deputy prime **minister**

The **minister** occasionally preaches at this church.

## censorship

*n.* the act or process of suppression or restriction of any portions of books, films, news, etc. that are judged obscene, politically unacceptable, or a threat to security

*synonym* : restriction, suppression

(1) clear **censorship** by the Education Ministry, (2) form of **censorship**

Newspapers were subjected to **censorship** a few days later.

## journalism

*n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast

*synonym* : reporting, news media, writing

(1) **journalism** ethics, (2) tabloid **journalism**

She plans to study **journalism** in college and become a reporter.

## morality

*n.* principles of right and evil or good and bad behavior

*synonym* : decency, rectitude, righteousness

(1) business **morality**, (2) sense of **morality**

She found fault with the **morality** of politicians.

## mob

*n.* a large and disorderly crowd of people; a large horde of animals

*synonym* : crowd, throng, horde

(1) **mob** psychology, (2) **mob** violence

The excited **mob** was getting out of control at the concert.

## 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.

## fuel

*n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy

*synonym* : energy, power, gas

(1) biomass **fuel**, (2) smokeless **fuel**

The **fuel** scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

## overwhelming

*adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

*synonym*: overpowering, astounding, amazing

(1) **overwhelming** majority, (2) an **overwhelming** victory

He has shown signs of uneasiness and **overwhelming** worry.

## scramble

*v.* to move or climb quickly and awkwardly, often using your hands to help you

*synonym*: jumble, disarrange

(1) **scramble** my mind, (2) **scramble** for support

Local business owners **scrambled** to find skilled workers.

## countermeasure

*n.* an action taken to counter or offset another action

*synonym*: response, remedy, antidote

(1) **countermeasure** strategy, (2) **countermeasure** plan

The government implemented several **countermeasures** to combat the spread of the virus.

## fury

*n.* intense and often violent anger

*synonym*: rage, wrath, ire

(1) market **fury**, (2) **fury** of the storm

The crowd's **fury** was palpable as they shouted and protested against the government's decision.

## debate

*n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

*synonym*: argument, discussion, dispute

(1) **debate** topic, (2) **debate** competition

The **debate** over climate change continues to be a hot topic

in politics.

## noisy

*adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound

*synonym*: loud, cacophonous, clamorous

(1) **noisy** neighbor, (2) **noisy** party

The construction outside was creating a **noisy** distraction from my work.

## tale

*n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

*synonym*: canard, fiction, fable

(1) a fairy **tale**, (2) **tale** of horror

Ghosts in folk **tales** are almost always malicious.

## idiot

*n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient

*synonym*: dummy, imbecile, bubblehead

(1) **idiot** driver, (2) what an **idiot**

He acted like an **idiot** and spilled his drink all over the floor.

## 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.

## blessing

*n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune

*synonym*: favor, benediction, boon

(1) count your **blessings**, (2) bestowed **blessings**

Receiving support from his friends was a great **blessing** in his time of need.

## curse

*n.* a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry

*synonym* : condemnation, cuss, hex

(1) under a **curse**, (2) few **curse** words

Many autocratic policies became a **curse** for that country's economy.

## viral

*adj.* relating to or caused by a virus

(1) fight **viral** infections, (2) detect a **viral** code

This device can more accurately detect **viral** pathogens.

## relation

*n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

*synonym* : association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

## tradition

*n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

*synonym* : custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

## time-consuming

*adj.* requiring a significant amount of time or effort to complete

*synonym* : lengthy, prolonged, protracted

(1) **time-consuming** project, (2) **time-consuming** process

Writing a research paper can be a **time-consuming** task.

## process

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

for consumption or use in other dairy products

*synonym* : procedure, method, system

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

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

## verification

*n.* the process of confirming the accuracy or truth of something, usually through investigation or experimentation; the act of validating or authenticating something

*synonym* : confirmation, validation, authentication

(1) **verification** of the accuracy, (2) identity **verification**

The **verification** process for the new job is taking longer than expected.

## curate

*n.* a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation

*synonym* : minister, caretaker, (verb) arrange

(1) perpetual **curate**, (2) **curate** an art website

The art museum has hired a **curate** to select and display pieces from its collection.

## buffet

*n.* a meal where guests serve themselves from a counter or sideboard

*synonym* : sideboard, counter, smorgasbord

(1) **buffet** style, (2) have a **buffet** meal

The **buffet** at the hotel had a wide variety of food options.

## frank

*adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

*synonym* : candid, direct, freehearted

(1) **frank** and open discussion, (2) make a **frank** apology

Full involvement means **frank** and prompt responses.

## rumor

*n.* a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth

*synonym*: gossip, whisper, talk

(1) a false **rumor**, (2) **rumor** mill

There was a baseless **rumor** that the company was going bankrupt.

## emotion

*n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

*synonym*: feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**

Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

## amplify

*v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness

*synonym*: intensify, boost, argument

(1) **amplify** a signal, (2) **amplify** the effect

You might need to **amplify** this point.

## algorithm

*n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

*synonym*: logic, method, rule

(1) the RSA **algorithm**, (2) **algorithm** for image processing

We can evaluate the performance of an **algorithm** in terms of computation time.

## mimic

*v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh

*synonym*: mirror, imitate, ape

(1) **mimic** a human voice, (2) **mimic** numerous instruments

He is very popular at school because he can **mimic** all the teachers' accents.

## highlight

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

*synonym*: feature, emphasize, stress



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

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

## intimidate

v. to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do

*synonym*: frighten, threaten, terrify

(1) **intimidate** an opponent, (2) effectively **intimidate** a thief

The boss tried to **intimidate** his subordinate with threats.

## warn

v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

*synonym*: alert, caution, admonish

(1) **warn** a reckless driver, (2) **warned** me of the plan

I attempted to **warn** him, but he ignored me.

## cigarette

n. a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking

*synonym*: smoke, cigar, tobacco

(1) a mild **cigarette**, (2) a **cigarette** case

He lit a **cigarette** and leaned against the wall.

## burkini

n. a type of swimsuit that covers most of the body, worn by some Muslim women for modesty purposes

*synonym*: full-coverage swimsuit, Islamic swimsuit

(1) **burkini** ban, (2) swim in a **burkini**

The **burkini** debate in certain countries raises questions about religious freedom and women's rights.

## bomb

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

*synonym*: missile, explosive, ammunition

(1) atomic **bombs**, (2) disarm the **bomb**

The use of cluster **bombs** is strictly prohibited by international law.

## 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.

## incompatible

*adj.* so different as to not be able to exist or work with another thing or person

*synonym* : inharmonious, conflicting, inconsistent

(1) **incompatible** personalities, (2) **incompatible** colors

It is a religion **incompatible** with the western country.

## dialogue

*n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film

*synonym* : conversation, discussion, talk

(1) Platonic **dialogues**, (2) the form of a **dialogue**

He recorded the **dialogue** at the time of the incident.

## 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.

## censor

*n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information

*synonym* : suppressor, scrutineer, examiner

(1) **censor** a book, (2) **censor** a TV program

The newspaper editor decided to **censor** the controversial headline to avoid backlash.

## sanitize

*v.* to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive

information from a document or communication

*synonym* : clean, disinfect, sterilize

(1) **sanitize** surfaces, (2) **sanitize** the kitchen

I always **sanitize** my hands before eating to prevent germs from spreading.

## massacre

*n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals

*synonym* : slaughter, bloodbath, butchery

(1) **massacre** in the village, (2) animal **massacre**

The **massacre** of innocent civilians in the war zone was a tragic event.

## discovery

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

*synonym* : finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

## extreme

*adj.* very great in amount or degree

*synonym* : farthestmost, outermost, fierce

(1) **extreme** sports, (2) **extreme** weather events

Solar gravity creates **extreme** pressures and temperatures.

## murder

*n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally

*synonym* : slaying, killing

(1) **murder** in the second degree, (2) attempted **murder**

This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

## humor

*n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body

*synonym* : comedy, funniness, liquid substance

(1) sardonic **humor**, (2) vitreous **humor**

My wife seems to be in ill **humor**.

### satirical

*adj.* characterized by the use of criticism that ridicules human folly, vices, or weaknesses through humor, irony, or sarcasm

*synonym*: mocking, ironic, sarcastic

(1) **satirical** article, (2) **satirical** humor

The **satirical** cartoon poked fun at the politicians in a clever way.

### 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.

### stake

*n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something

*synonym*: share, interest, post

(1) execution by burning at a **stake**, (2) buy the company's **stake**

The **stake** of the company is too high nowadays.

### extremist

*n.* a person who holds extreme political or religious views and who is willing to use violent or illegal methods to promote those views

*synonym*: radical, fanatic, zealot

(1) **extremist** political views, (2) radical **extremist**

The **extremist** group planned a series of violent attacks to push its agenda.

### autocrat

*n.* a ruler with complete power over a country, typically one who has obtained power by force

*synonym*: despot, tyrant, dictator

(1) the **autocrat** of the school, (2) **autocrat** regime

Authoritarian policies and a lack of personal freedoms

characterized the **autocrat's** rule.

## ideology

*n.* a set of beliefs or philosophies that an economic or political system is based on

*synonym*: credo, doctrine, principles

(1) the **ideology** of the left, (2) political **ideology**

Racial equality is an integral part of democratic **ideology**.

## insane

*adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill

*synonym*: crazy, mad, foolish

(1) go **insane** with pleasure, (2) an **insane** scheme

Her excessive demands drove me **insane**.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|-------------------------|---|
| 1. control my em____n   | <i>n.</i> a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others  |
| 2. bu___t style         | <i>n.</i> a meal where guests serve themselves from a counter or sideboard  |
| 3. exercise re___e      | <i>n.</i> the organization, a system, or method that is the governing authority of a political unit   |
| 4. tr____r inflation    | <i>v.</i> to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function   |
| 5. meet with opp_____on | <i>n.</i> the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement   |
| 6. a fairy t__e         | <i>n.</i> a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure   |
| 7. ed____n deluxe       | <i>n.</i> a particular form or version in which a text, especially a printed book, magazine, or newspaper, is published;  |
| 8. make a fr__k apology | <i>adj.</i> honest and sincere; open and candid in expression   |
| 9. a paper ed____n      | <i>n.</i> a particular form or version in which a text, especially a printed book, magazine, or newspaper, is published;  |
| 10. cyb_____ity threat  | <i>n.</i> the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction |

ANSWERS: 1. emotion, 2. buffet, 3. regime, 4. trigger, 5. opposition, 6. tale, 7. edition, 8. frank, 9. edition, 10. cybersecurity

11. re\_\_\_\_\_on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
12. jou\_\_\_\_\_sm ethics *n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast
13. pr\_\_\_\_\_nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
14. he\_\_\_\_d the news *v.* to be a sign or indication of something to come; to proclaim or announce something publicly, often with great enthusiasm or fanfare
15. a pro\_\_\_\_\_ve smile *adj.* arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately
16. fun\_\_\_\_\_al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
17. tr\_\_\_\_\_h of democracy *n.* a great victory or achievement
18. a puppet re\_\_\_\_e *n.* the organization, a system, or method that is the governing authority of a political unit
19. re\_\_\_\_\_ce category *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
20. severe cr\_\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
21. e\_\_t a history book *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it

ANSWERS: 11. relation, 12. journalism, 13. president, 14. herald, 15. provocative, 16. fundamental, 17. triumph, 18. regime, 19. relevance, 20. critic, 21. edit

22. de\_\_\_e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
23. tim\_\_\_\_\_ing project *adj.* requiring a significant amount of time or effort to complete
24. market f\_\_y *n.* intense and often violent anger
25. have no re\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
26. absolute au\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* a form of government in which one person has unlimited power and authority; a system of government in which a ruler or ruling class holds absolute power and controls all aspects of society
27. sta\_\_\_\_\_cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
28. w\_\_n a reckless driver *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
29. womanly ho\_\_r *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

ANSWERS: 22. debate, 23. time-consuming, 24. fury, 25. relevance, 26. autocracy, 27. statistics, 28. warn, 29. honor



30. em\_\_\_\_r of Rome *n.* the male ruler of an empire
31. me\_\_y laughter *adj.* cheerful and lively, often with a sense of joyfulness or celebration; characterized by a happy or festive mood
32. ha\_\_h climate *adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
33. cou\_\_\_\_\_ure strategy *n.* an action taken to counter or offset another action
34. business mo\_\_\_\_ty *n.* principles of right and evil or good and bad behavior
35. ca\_\_\_\_n character *n.* a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption
36. me\_\_\_\_al park *n.* a structure or monument to commemorate a person or event
37. sa\_\_\_\_ze the kitchen *v.* to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication
38. ex\_\_e community *n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
39. bl\_\_d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
40. the form of a di\_\_\_\_ue *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
41. principles of de\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

ANSWERS: 30. emperor, 31. merry, 32. harsh, 33. countermeasure, 34. morality, 35. cartoon, 36. memorial, 37. sanitize, 38. exile, 39. blind, 40. dialogue, 41. democracy

42. al\_\_\_\_\_hm for image processing      *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
43. pa\_\_\_\_\_rd recovery      *n.* a secret word or phrase that must be used to gain admission to a place or service
44. sma\_\_\_\_\_ne addict      *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
45. mi\_\_c a human voice      *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
46. have a bu\_\_\_\_t meal      *n.* a meal where guests serve themselves from a counter or sideboard
47. n\_\_k on my hand      *n.* a small cut, notch, or indentation in a surface or an edge
48. bu\_\_\_\_\_i ban      *n.* a type of swimsuit that covers most of the body, worn by some Muslim women for modesty purposes
49. ma\_\_\_\_\_re in the village      *n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals
50. pro\_\_\_\_\_ve questions      *adj.* arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately
51. de\_\_\_e a word      *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
52. de\_\_\_d against a threat      *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
53. f\_\_y of the storm      *n.* intense and often violent anger

ANSWERS: 42. algorithm, 43. password, 44. smartphone, 45. mimic, 46. buffet, 47. nick, 48. burkini, 49. massacre, 50. provocative, 51. define, 52. defend, 53. fury

54. a st\_\_\_\_ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
55. disarm the b\_\_b *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
56. fou\_\_\_\_\_on course *n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes
57. poet la\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* a person who has been awarded an honor or a prize for achievement in a particular field, especially in literature or academia; a poet who is honored for achieving the highest level of excellence in a competition or for producing a lifetime body of work
58. a di\_\_\_\_\_or with enormous powers *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
59. a to\_\_\_\_\_e chamber *n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
60. mul\_\_\_\_\_ral negotiations *adj.* involving or occurring among three or more parties or nations; having multiple sides or aspects; characterized by a cooperative or consensus-building approach to problem-solving or decision-making

ANSWERS: 54. straight, 55. bomb, 56. foundation, 57. laureate, 58. dictator, 59. torture, 60. multilateral

61. unsung h\_\_o *n.* 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
62. art cr\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
63. vice-pr\_\_\_\_\_nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
64. the id\_\_\_\_\_gy of the left *n.* a set of beliefs or philosophies that an economic or political system is based on
65. no\_\_y party *adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound
66. a craft un\_\_n *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
67. cyb\_\_\_\_\_ity measures *n.* the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction
68. ca\_\_\_\_\_ic in his tastes *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

ANSWERS: 61. hero, 62. critic, 63. president, 64. ideology, 65. noisy, 66. union, 67. cybersecurity, 68. Catholic

69. bestowed bl\_\_\_\_ngs *n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
70. p\_\_r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
71. con\_\_\_\_\_ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
72. pr\_\_e number *adj.* main or most important; basic
73. tim\_\_\_\_\_ing process *adj.* requiring a significant amount of time or effort to complete
74. tu\_\_\_\_y breast meat *n.* (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans
75. editorial tr\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* an official in ancient Rome who represented various social groups and had the power to veto decisions made by other officials; a platform or elevated area used for speaking or addressing a public audience
76. bl\_\_s him in my heart *v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify
77. p\_\_r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
78. hi\_\_\_\_\_ht an important difference *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention

ANSWERS: 69. blessing, 70. peer, 71. conversation, 72. prime, 73. time-consuming, 74. turkey, 75. tribune, 76. bless, 77. peer, 78. highlight

79. rusty n\_\_l *n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes
80. n\_\_l clipper *n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes
81. beginning of the industrial rev\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
82. use of ha\_\_h chemicals *adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
83. perpetual cu\_\_\_e *n.* a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation
84. harsh cr\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure
85. sardonic hu\_\_r *n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
86. di\_\_\_\_\_s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

ANSWERS: 79. nail, 80. nail, 81. revolution, 82. harsh, 83. curate, 84. criticism, 85. humor, 86. discuss

87. de\_\_\_\_ce a statement      *v.* to speak out against; to strongly criticize something or someone
88. hi\_\_\_\_\_ht a string in red      *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
89. pa\_\_\_\_ic attempt      *adj.* arousing pity, sorrow, or compassion; expressing or evoking sadness, weakness, or inadequacy; inadequate or inferior in quality or ability
90. animal ma\_\_\_\_re      *n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals
91. fr\_\_k and open discussion      *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
92. the position of tr\_\_\_\_e      *n.* an official in ancient Rome who represented various social groups and had the power to veto decisions made by other officials; a platform or elevated area used for speaking or addressing a public audience
93. di\_\_\_\_s options      *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
94. good will pr\_\_\_\_l      *v.* to be common, widespread, or frequent; to be the strongest or most powerful
95. id\_\_t driver      *n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient

ANSWERS: 87. denounce, 88. highlight, 89. pathetic, 90. massacre, 91. frank, 92. tribune, 93. discuss, 94. prevail, 95. idiot

96. me\_\_\_\_\_al address *n.* a structure or monument to commemorate a person or event
97. weak fou\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes
98. military di\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
99. ou\_\_o the competition *v.* to do better than someone; to surpass
100. di\_\_\_\_\_ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
101. pr\_\_\_\_\_l in a suit *v.* to be common, widespread, or frequent; to be the strongest or most powerful
102. self-serving pro\_\_\_\_\_da *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
103. e\_\_t a video *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
104. what an id\_\_t *n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient
105. few cu\_\_e words *n.* a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry

ANSWERS: 96. memorial, 97. foundation, 98. dictator, 99. outdo, 100. disappear, 101. prevail, 102. propaganda, 103. edit, 104. idiot, 105. curse



106. swell like a tu\_\_\_y *n.* (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans
107. Mi\_\_\_\_\_er for Education *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
108. jou\_\_\_\_\_st on a magazine *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
109. public education ad\_\_\_\_\_tes *n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
110. public ann\_\_\_\_\_ent *n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news
111. atomic b\_\_bs *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
112. genuine ap\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* an act of saying or writing that you are sorry for something that has been done wrong or that causes a trouble
113. h\_\_k into the program *v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
114. da\_\_\_e assessment *v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity

ANSWERS: 106. turkey, 107. minister, 108. journalist, 109. advocate, 110. announcement, 111. bomb, 112. apology, 113. hack, 114. damage

115. afraid to show em\_\_\_\_n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
116. clear cen\_\_\_\_\_ip by the Education Ministry *n.* the act or process of suppression or restriction of any portions of books, films, news, etc. that are judged obscene, politically unacceptable, or a threat to security
117. thousands of in\_\_\_\_\_nt people *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
118. be in j\_\_l *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
119. mi\_\_c numerous instruments *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
120. eg\_\_\_\_\_ac behavior *n.* a person who is obsessively focused on themselves, their desires, and their power and success, often to the point of disregarding and exploiting others
121. cr\_\_\_\_\_sm from the public *n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure
122. pr\_\_\_\_\_e a disease *v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
123. tr\_\_\_\_\_h of the spirit *n.* a great victory or achievement
124. radical ex\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a person who holds extreme political or religious views and who is willing to use violent or illegal methods to promote those views

ANSWERS: 115. emotion, 116. censorship, 117. innocent, 118. jail, 119. mimic, 120. egomaniac, 121. criticism, 122. provoke, 123. triumph, 124. extremist

125. sc\_\_\_\_\_le my mind      *v.* to move or climb quickly and awkwardly, often using your hands to help you
126. de\_\_\_e topic      *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
127. an ed\_\_\_\_\_al article      *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
128. local h\_\_o      *n.* 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
129. a friendly con\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
130. t\_\_e of horror      *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
131. g\_l nail polish      *n.* a semi-solid substance, often transparent or translucent, that is used in various products from personal care to food to medicine, and which typically consists of a gelling agent that thickens the liquid
132. ove\_\_\_\_\_ing majority      *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

ANSWERS: 125. scramble, 126. debate, 127. editorial, 128. hero, 129. conversation, 130. tale, 131. gel, 132. overwhelming

133. an ad\_\_\_\_te of disarmament *n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
134. inc\_\_\_\_\_ble colors *adj.* so different as to not be able to exist or work with another thing or person
135. enforce rev\_\_\_\_\_ary justice *adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
136. ex\_\_\_\_\_st political views *n.* a person who holds extreme political or religious views and who is willing to use violent or illegal methods to promote those views
137. inc\_\_\_\_\_ble personalities *adj.* so different as to not be able to exist or work with another thing or person
138. attempted mu\_\_\_\_r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
139. hi\_\_\_\_\_ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
140. an in\_\_\_\_\_nt child *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
141. bury in t\_\_b *n.* a large stone structure or underground chamber in which the dead are buried
142. de\_\_\_\_\_ce a heresy *v.* to speak out against; to strongly criticize something or someone
143. bl\_\_s you *v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify
144. tr\_\_p card *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

ANSWERS: 133. advocate, 134. incompatible, 135. revolutionary, 136. extremist, 137. incompatible, 138. murder, 139. historic, 140. innocent, 141. tomb, 142. denounce, 143. bless, 144. trump

145. a political rev\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
146. a n\_\_k on the fender of a car *n.* a small cut, notch, or indentation in a surface or an edge
147. cu\_\_\_e an art website *n.* a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation
148. sa\_\_\_\_\_al humor *adj.* characterized by the use of criticism that ridicules human folly, vices, or weaknesses through humor, irony, or sarcasm
149. sa\_\_\_\_\_ze surfaces *v.* to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication
150. biomass f\_\_l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
151. sc\_\_\_\_\_le for support *v.* to move or climb quickly and awkwardly, often using your hands to help you
152. opp\_\_\_\_\_on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
153. m\_b violence *n.* a large and disorderly crowd of people; a large horde of animals

ANSWERS: 145. revolution, 146. nick, 147. curate, 148. satirical, 149. sanitize, 150. fuel, 151. scramble, 152. opposition, 153. mob

154. bl\_\_k expression *adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
155. an int\_\_\_\_\_nt 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
156. di\_\_\_\_\_ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
157. a mild ci\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking
158. political id\_\_\_\_\_gy *n.* a set of beliefs or philosophies that an economic or political system is based on
159. h\_\_k through the jungle *v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
160. im\_\_\_\_\_e animal sounds *v.* to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something
161. common in\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
162. wid\_\_\_\_\_ad use *adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people
163. mu\_\_\_r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally

ANSWERS: 154. blank, 155. intolerant, 156. disappear, 157. cigarette, 158. ideology, 159. hack, 160. imitate, 161. invention, 162. widespread, 163. murder

164. me\_\_y-making *adj.* cheerful and lively, often with a sense of joyfulness or celebration; characterized by a happy or festive mood
165. eventually pe\_\_r out *v.* to fail or lose power, efficiency, or value gradually before coming to an end
166. an absolute mo\_\_\_\_h *n.* a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen
167. accept his ap\_\_\_\_y *n.* an act of saying or writing that you are sorry for something that has been done wrong or that causes a trouble
168. int\_\_\_\_\_nt of criticism *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
169. th\_\_\_\_\_en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
170. mul\_\_\_\_\_ral trade agreement *adj.* involving or occurring among three or more parties or nations; having multiple sides or aspects; characterized by a cooperative or consensus-building approach to problem-solving or decision-making
171. sy\_\_\_l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
172. bank and credit un\_\_ns *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

ANSWERS: 164. merry, 165. peter, 166. monarch, 167. apology, 168. intolerant, 169. threaten, 170. multilateral, 171. symbol, 172. union

173. sy\_\_\_l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
174. on be\_\_\_f of our management *n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
175. swim in a bu\_\_\_\_i *n.* a type of swimsuit that covers most of the body, worn by some Muslim women for modesty purposes
176. the ancient t\_\_b *n.* a large stone structure or underground chamber in which the dead are buried
177. au\_\_\_\_at regime *n.* a ruler with complete power over a country, typically one who has obtained power by force
178. de\_\_\_e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
179. basin-shaped va\_\_\_y *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
180. deputy prime mi\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
181. Platonic di\_\_\_\_ues *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
182. gain ed\_\_\_\_al help *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
183. achieve the hi\_\_\_\_ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
184. a scientific di\_\_\_\_ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
185. tabloid jou\_\_\_\_sm *n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast

ANSWERS: 173. symbol, 174. behalf, 175. burkini, 176. tomb, 177. autocrat, 178. define, 179. valley, 180. minister, 181. dialogue, 182. editorial, 183. historic, 184. discovery, 185. journalism



186. identity ver\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the process of confirming the accuracy or truth of something, usually through investigation or experimentation; the act of validating or authenticating something
187. form of cen\_\_\_\_\_ip *n.* the act or process of suppression or restriction of any portions of books, films, news, etc. that are judged obscene, politically unacceptable, or a threat to security
188. ver\_\_\_\_\_ion of the accuracy *n.* the process of confirming the accuracy or truth of something, usually through investigation or experimentation; the act of validating or authenticating something
189. decision-making pr\_\_\_\_\_s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
190. m\_b psychology *n.* a large and disorderly crowd of people; a large horde of animals
191. ex\_\_\_\_\_e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
192. re\_\_\_\_\_on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
193. a jo\_\_t venture *adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton

ANSWERS: 186. verification, 187. censorship, 188. verification, 189. process, 190. mob, 191. extreme, 192. relation, 193. joint

194. former em\_\_\_\_r *n.* the male ruler of an empire
195. he\_\_\_d a new era *v.* to be a sign or indication of something to come; to proclaim or announce something publicly, often with great enthusiasm or fanfare
196. word ass\_\_\_\_\_ons *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
197. am\_\_\_\_y a signal *v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness
198. the in\_\_\_\_\_on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
199. el\_\_t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
200. official sta\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
201. deputy pr\_\_e minister *adj.* main or most important; basic
202. tr\_\_\_\_r a biochemical response *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
203. fight vi\_\_l infections *adj.* relating to or caused by a virus
204. sense of mo\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* principles of right and evil or good and bad behavior
205. imperial th\_\_\_e *n.* a chair or seat of state for a monarch or other high-ranking person; the position of being a king or queen

ANSWERS: 194. emperor, 195. herald, 196. association, 197. amplify, 198. invention, 199. elect, 200. statistics, 201. prime, 202. trigger, 203. viral, 204. morality, 205. throne

206. pose for a se\_\_\_e *n.* a photograph that one has taken of oneself, typically one taken with a smartphone or webcam to share on social media
207. sma\_\_\_\_\_ne app developer *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
208. county j\_\_l *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
209. Christmas E\_e *n.* (also as "Eve") the day or period of time immediately preceding a particular event; the biblical figure who was the first woman and wife of Adam, according to the Jewish and Christian faiths
210. execution by burning at a st\_\_e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
211. fun\_\_\_\_\_al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
212. no\_\_y neighbor *adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound
213. choose tr\_\_p *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
214. an instrument of to\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

ANSWERS: 206. selfie, 207. smartphone, 208. jail, 209. eve, 210. stake, 211. fundamental, 212. noisy, 213. trump, 214. torture

215. ti\_\_\_\_\_ss topic *adj.* not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion
216. mi\_\_\_\_\_e person *n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
217. his latest tw\_\_ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
218. ou\_\_o him in trickery *v.* to do better than someone; to surpass
219. begin to pe\_\_r out *v.* to fail or lose power, efficiency, or value gradually before coming to an end
220. dy\_\_\_\_\_y of China *n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country
221. the bone of a jo\_\_t *adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton
222. f\_\_e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
223. political ex\_\_e *n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
224. vitreous hu\_\_r *n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
225. int\_\_\_\_\_te an opponent *v.* to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do

ANSWERS: 215. timeless, 216. miracle, 217. tweet, 218. outdo, 219. peter, 220. dynasty, 221. joint, 222. flee, 223. exile, 224. humor, 225. intimidate

226. pa\_\_\_\_ic display *adj.* arousing pity, sorrow, or compassion; expressing or evoking sadness, weakness, or inadequacy; inadequate or inferior in quality or ability
227. an in\_\_\_\_e scheme *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
228. effectively int\_\_\_\_\_te a thief *v.* to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do
229. full of w\_t *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
230. smokeless f\_\_l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
231. el\_\_t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
232. crystalline si\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
233. abdicate the th\_\_\_\_e *n.* a chair or seat of state for a monarch or other high-ranking person; the position of being a king or queen
234. mo\_\_\_\_\_h butterflies *n.* a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen
235. Se\_\_\_\_\_c culture *adj.* relating to the group of languages that includes Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic, spoken by the peoples of the middle east and north Africa

ANSWERS: 226. pathetic, 227. insane, 228. intimidate, 229. wit, 230. fuel, 231. elect, 232. silicon, 233. throne, 234. monarch, 235. Semitic

236. pr\_\_\_\_\_e a reaction      *v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
237. cou\_\_\_\_\_ure plan      *n.* an action taken to counter or offset another action
238. si\_\_\_\_\_n wafer      *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
239. da\_\_\_e a relationship      *v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity
240. a false ru\_\_r      *n.* a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
241. rev\_\_\_\_\_ary change      *adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
242. st\_\_\_\_\_ht for two months      *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
243. pr\_\_\_\_\_s improvement      *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 236. provoke, 237. countermeasure, 238. silicon, 239. damage, 240. rumor, 241. revolutionary, 242. straight, 243. process

244. ho\_\_r our ancestors *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
245. against tr\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
246. on his own be\_\_\_f *n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
247. a China-based jou\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
248. ru\_\_r mill *n.* a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
249. a ci\_\_\_\_\_te case *n.* a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking
250. bl\_\_d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
251. a pungent sa\_\_\_e *n.* a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques

ANSWERS: 244. honor, 245. tradition, 246. behalf, 247. journalist, 248. rumor, 249. cigarette, 250. blind, 251. satire

252. Oscar la\_\_\_\_te *n.* a person who has been awarded an honor or a prize for achievement in a particular field, especially in literature or academia; a poet who is honored for achieving the highest level of excellence in a competition or for producing a lifetime body of work
253. de\_\_\_\_d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
254. de\_\_\_\_cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
255. se\_\_\_\_e stick *n.* a photograph that one has taken of oneself, typically one taken with a smartphone or webcam to share on social media
256. ca\_\_\_\_n industry *n.* a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption
257. the art of di\_\_\_\_cy *n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way
258. go in\_\_\_\_e with pleasure *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
259. anti-Se\_\_\_\_c movement *adj.* relating to the group of languages that includes Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic, spoken by the peoples of the middle east and north Africa

ANSWERS: 252. laureate, 253. defend, 254. democracy, 255. selfie, 256. cartoon, 257. diplomacy, 258. insane, 259. Semitic



260. im\_\_\_\_\_e painting styles      *v.* to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something
261. under a cu\_\_e      *n.* a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry
262. ti\_\_\_\_\_ss masterpiece      *adj.* not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion
263. pa\_\_\_\_\_rd reset      *n.* a secret word or phrase that must be used to gain admission to a place or service
264. arrogant eg\_\_\_\_\_ac      *n.* a person who is obsessively focused on themselves, their desires, and their power and success, often to the point of disregarding and exploiting others
265. a tr\_\_\_\_\_on of a culture      *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
266. e\_e of the party      *n.* (also as "Eve") the day or period of time immediately preceding a particular event; the biblical figure who was the first woman and wife of Adam, according to the Jewish and Christian faiths
267. the au\_\_\_\_\_at of the school      *n.* a ruler with complete power over a country, typically one who has obtained power by force
268. a scholarship ass\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship

ANSWERS: 260. imitate, 261. curse, 262. timeless, 263. password, 264. egomaniac, 265. tradition, 266. eve, 267. autocrat, 268. association

269. w\_\_ned me of the plan      *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
270. the w\_t of man      *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
271. th\_\_\_\_en a healthy relationship      *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
272. ce\_\_\_r a book      *n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information
273. detect a vi\_\_l code      *adj.* relating to or caused by a virus
274. am\_\_\_\_y the effect      *v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness
275. the RSA al\_\_\_\_\_hm      *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
276. the Ca\_\_\_\_\_ic Church      *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
277. the language of di\_\_\_\_\_cy      *n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way
278. sa\_\_\_\_\_al article      *adj.* characterized by the use of criticism that ridicules human folly, vices, or weaknesses through humor, irony, or sarcasm

ANSWERS: 269. warn, 270. wit, 271. threaten, 272. censor, 273. viral, 274. amplify, 275. algorithm, 276. Catholic, 277. diplomacy, 278. satirical

279. an ove\_\_\_\_\_ing victory *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
280. wid\_\_\_\_\_ad fear of nuclear war *adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people
281. ann\_\_\_\_\_ent date *n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news
282. count your bl\_\_\_\_\_ngs *n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
283. during the Ming dy\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country
284. ex\_\_\_\_\_e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
285. the great di\_\_\_\_\_ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
286. buy the company's st\_\_\_e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
287. pro\_\_\_\_\_da campaign *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
288. a chick's tw\_\_\_t *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

ANSWERS: 279. overwhelming, 280. widespread, 281. announcement, 282. blessing, 283. dynasty, 284. extreme, 285. discovery, 286. stake, 287. propaganda, 288. tweet

289. fight against au\_\_\_\_\_cy                    *n.* a form of government in which one person has unlimited power and authority; a system of government in which a ruler or ruling class holds absolute power and controls all aspects of society
290. va\_\_\_y bottom                                    *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
291. ce\_\_\_r a TV program                            *n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information
292. economic mi\_\_\_\_\_e                            *n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
293. f\_\_e their homes                                *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
294. bl\_\_k paper                                        *adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
295. sa\_\_\_e magazine                                *n.* a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques

ANSWERS: 289. autocracy, 290. valley, 291. censor, 292. miracle, 293. flee, 294. blank, 295. satire

296. antibacterial g\_l

*n.* a semi-solid substance, often transparent or translucent, that is used in various products from personal care to food to medicine, and which typically consists of a gelling agent that thickens the liquid

ANSWERS: 296. gel

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The team's performance was \_\_\_\_\_ and left the coach feeling disappointed.  
*adj.* arousing pity, sorrow, or compassion; expressing or evoking sadness, weakness, or inadequacy; inadequate or inferior in quality or ability
2. The Nobel \_\_\_\_\_ delivered an inspiring speech to the graduating class.  
*n.* a person who has been awarded an honor or a prize for achievement in a particular field, especially in literature or academia; a poet who is honored for achieving the highest level of excellence in a competition or for producing a lifetime body of work
3. Human behavior has \_\_\_\_\_ characteristics.  
*adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
4. She found fault with the \_\_\_\_\_ of politicians.  
*n.* principles of right and evil or good and bad behavior
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ occasionally preaches at this church.  
*n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.  
*n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
7. Totalitarian \_\_\_\_\_ are less likely to innovate because they deprive individuals of economic incentives.  
*n.* the organization, a system, or method that is the governing authority of a political unit

ANSWERS: 1. pathetic, 2. laureate, 3. fundamental, 4. morality, 5. minister, 6. process, 7. regimes

8. The industrial \_\_\_\_\_ laws were passed with little to no alteration.  
*n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
9. During the surgery, the doctor had to be extremely cautious not to \_\_\_\_\_ a blood vessel.  
*v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity
10. \_\_\_\_\_ is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.  
*n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
11. He used a hammer and round \_\_\_\_\_ to fix the loose board on the fence.  
*n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes
12. Many autocratic policies became a \_\_\_\_\_ for that country's economy.  
*n.* a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry
13. The \_\_\_\_\_ process for the new job is taking longer than expected.  
*n.* the process of confirming the accuracy or truth of something, usually through investigation or experimentation; the act of validating or authenticating something
14. The boss tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his subordinate with threats.  
*v.* to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do

ANSWERS: 8. relations, 9. damage, 10. Silicon, 11. nail, 12. curse, 13. verification, 14. intimidate

15. Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
16. The use of cluster \_\_\_\_\_ is strictly prohibited by international law.
- n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
17. The computer screen displayed nothing but a \_\_\_\_\_ white screen
- adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
18. The team's \_\_\_\_\_ in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.
- n.* a great victory or achievement
19. The sound of the trumpet \_\_\_\_\_ the arrival of the king.
- v.* to be a sign or indication of something to come; to proclaim or announce something publicly, often with great enthusiasm or fanfare
20. The \_\_\_\_\_ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.
- n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
21. The war \_\_\_\_\_ stands as a reminder of the sacrifices made by our ancestors.
- n.* a structure or monument to commemorate a person or event
22. The office \_\_\_\_\_ always took credit for everyone else's ideas.
- n.* a person who is obsessively focused on themselves, their desires, and their power and success, often to the point of disregarding and exploiting others

ANSWERS: 15. smartphones, 16. bombs, 17. blank, 18. triumph, 19. heralded, 20. debate, 21. memorial, 22. egomaniac



23. Her research team made an important \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
24. The art museum has hired a \_\_\_\_\_ to select and display pieces from its collection.
- n.* a clergyman who is in charge of a parish; a person in charge of a museum, gallery, or church, responsible for the care and display of its collections and exhibitions; (verb) to carefully select, organize, and maintain items in a collection, exhibition, or presentation
25. In medieval times, death punishment was \_\_\_\_\_ and socially accepted.
- adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people
26. He spent his afternoon watching \_\_\_\_\_ movies on TV.
- n.* a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption
27. Authoritarian policies and a lack of personal freedoms characterized the \_\_\_\_\_ rule.
- n.* a ruler with complete power over a country, typically one who has obtained power by force
28. The \_\_\_\_\_ suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.
- n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
29. He acted like an \_\_\_\_\_ and spilled his drink all over the floor.
- n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient

ANSWERS: 23. discovery, 24. curate, 25. widespread, 26. cartoon, 27. autocrat's, 28. trump, 29. idiot

30. It is common for oppressive governments to \_\_\_\_\_ through violence, using military and police force to control their citizens and suppress dissent.
- v.* to be common, widespread, or frequent; to be the strongest or most powerful
31. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
32. His \_\_\_\_\_ style frequently sparked controversies.
- adj.* arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately
33. The government implemented several \_\_\_\_\_ to combat the spread of the virus.
- n.* an action taken to counter or offset another action
34. He lit a \_\_\_\_\_ and leaned against the wall.
- n.* a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking
35. The \_\_\_\_\_ of innocent civilians in the war zone was a tragic event.
- n.* the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals
36. We could hear the \_\_\_\_\_ of baby birds.
- n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
37. He recorded the \_\_\_\_\_ at the time of the incident.
- n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film

ANSWERS: 30. prevail, 31. statistics, 32. provocative, 33. countermeasures, 34. cigarette, 35. massacre, 36. tweet, 37. dialogue

38. I gave witness on her \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone

39. Sociologists are now interested in \_\_\_\_\_ world peace.

*adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

40. He has shown signs of uneasiness and \_\_\_\_\_ worry.

*adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

41. The project's success depended on the cooperation of all the \_\_\_\_\_ parties involved.

*adj.* involving or occurring among three or more parties or nations; having multiple sides or aspects; characterized by a cooperative or consensus-building approach to problem-solving or decision-making

42. The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* 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

43. The \_\_\_\_\_ by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

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

44. Her excessive demands drove me \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill

45. His membership in the \_\_\_\_\_ provided him with numerous benefits.

*n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship

ANSWERS: 38. behalf, 39. catholic, 40. overwhelming, 41. multilateral, 42. hero, 43. revolution, 44. insane, 45. association

46. After the summit meeting, the prime ministers issued a \_\_\_\_\_ statement.

*adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton

47. The company made an \_\_\_\_\_ about its new product at a press conference.

*n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news

48. The \_\_\_\_\_ leader inspired others to join the fight for freedom and democracy.

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

49. Constructive \_\_\_\_\_ is always helpful to help improving one's work.

*n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure

50. He \_\_\_\_\_ the modus operandi of the famous phantom thief.

*v.* to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something

51. Ghosts in folk \_\_\_\_\_ are almost always malicious.

*n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

52. During the Habsburg \_\_\_\_\_ colonization began.

*n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

53. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

*v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

ANSWERS: 46. joint, 47. announcement, 48. revolutionary, 49. criticism, 50. imitated, 51. tales, 52. dynasty, 53. discuss

54. Effective \_\_\_\_\_ is necessary to resolve conflicts and maintain relationships between countries.
- n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way
55. She took a \_\_\_\_\_ in front of the famous tower and shared it on the app.
- n.* a photograph that one has taken of oneself, typically one taken with a smartphone or webcam to share on social media
56. The \_\_\_\_\_ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
- n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
57. My husband was found \_\_\_\_\_ of any crime.
- adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
58. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ this document before submitting it to my boss.
- v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
59. The club \_\_\_\_\_ does not have absolute power.
- n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
60. There was a baseless \_\_\_\_\_ that the company was going bankrupt.
- n.* a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
61. Newspapers were subjected to \_\_\_\_\_ a few days later.
- n.* the act or process of suppression or restriction of any portions of books, films, news, etc. that are judged obscene, politically unacceptable, or a threat to security

ANSWERS: 54. diplomacy, 55. selfie, 56. opposition, 57. innocent, 58. edit, 59. president, 60. rumor, 61. censorship

62. The prime minister faced \_\_\_\_\_ criticism.

*adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit

63. You might need to \_\_\_\_\_ this point.

*v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness

64. The \_\_\_\_\_ languages include Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic.

*adj.* relating to the group of languages that includes Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic, spoken by the peoples of the middle east and north Africa

65. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the building was cracked and needed to be repaired.

*n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes

66. We had a \_\_\_\_\_ time at the Christmas party, singing carols and drinking eggnog.

*adj.* cheerful and lively, often with a sense of joyfulness or celebration; characterized by a happy or festive mood

67. Local business owners \_\_\_\_\_ to find skilled workers.

*v.* to move or climb quickly and awkwardly, often using your hands to help you

68. The use of \_\_\_\_\_ is strictly prohibited under international law.

*n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

69. The construction outside was creating a \_\_\_\_\_ distraction from my work.

*adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound

ANSWERS: 62. harsh, 63. amplify, 64. Semitic, 65. foundation, 66. merry, 67. scrambled, 68. torture, 69. noisy

70. The incident \_\_\_\_\_ a political controversy.

- v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

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

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

72. Solar gravity creates \_\_\_\_\_ pressures and temperatures.

- adj.* very great in amount or degree

73. This device can more accurately detect \_\_\_\_\_ pathogens.

- adj.* relating to or caused by a virus

74. She was nearly \_\_\_\_\_ due to severe diabetes.

- adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

75. \_\_\_\_\_ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

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

76. The excited \_\_\_\_ was getting out of control at the concert.

- n.* a large and disorderly crowd of people; a large horde of animals

77. It is a basic instinct to \_\_\_\_\_ from a dangerous situation.

- v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

78. They prepared a stuffed \_\_\_\_\_ for Thanksgiving.

- n.* (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans

ANSWERS: 70. triggered, 71. highlighted, 72. extreme, 73. viral, 74. blind, 75. Democracy, 76. mob, 77. flee, 78. turkey

79. The \_\_\_\_ scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector  
*n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
80. The \_\_\_\_ of the unknown soldier honored the bravery and sacrifice of those who lost their lives in battle.  
*n.* a large stone structure or underground chamber in which the dead are buried
81. Among young people, \_\_\_\_ pressure can be pretty influential.  
*n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
82. Her behavior \_\_\_\_\_ a quarrel between the couple.  
*v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
83. A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
84. There is a \_\_\_\_\_ aspect to his most remarkable work.  
*adj.* not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion
85. His \_\_\_\_\_ attitude towards other cultures made it difficult for him to get along with others.  
*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
86. Writing a research paper can be a \_\_\_\_\_ task.  
*adj.* requiring a significant amount of time or effort to complete
87. Racial equality is an integral part of democratic \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a set of beliefs or philosophies that an economic or political system is based on

ANSWERS: 79. fuel, 80. tomb, 81. peer, 82. provoked, 83. dictator, 84. timeless, 85. intolerant, 86. time-consuming, 87. ideology



88. Receiving support from his friends was a great \_\_\_\_\_ in his time of need.
- n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
89. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the company is too high nowadays.
- n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
90. We can evaluate the performance of an \_\_\_\_\_ in terms of computation time.
- n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
91. I must use hair \_\_\_\_ to style my hair for the job interview.
- n.* a semi-solid substance, often transparent or translucent, that is used in various products from personal care to food to medicine, and which typically consists of a gelling agent that thickens the liquid
92. He was sick for five \_\_\_\_\_ days.
- adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
93. As the use of technology continues to increase in everyday life, \_\_\_\_\_ awareness and education become even more important
- n.* the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction
94. I attempted to \_\_\_\_\_ him, but he ignored me.
- v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

ANSWERS: 88. blessing, 89. stake, 90. algorithm, 91. gel, 92. straight, 93. cybersecurity, 94. warn

95. They issued a limited \_\_\_\_\_ of the artist's recordings.

- n.* a particular form or version in which a text, especially a printed book, magazine, or newspaper, is published;

96. I claim on my \_\_\_\_\_ that it is true.

- n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

97. \_\_\_\_\_ of abolishing the death penalty often argue that the alternative heaviest sentence should be life in prison.

- n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something

98. To advance this discussion, we must \_\_\_\_\_ "success" rigorously.

- v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

99. She came from a commoner background but eventually became the \_\_\_\_\_ of that country.

- n.* a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen

100. He is very popular at school because he can \_\_\_\_\_ all the teachers' accents.

- v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh

101. The \_\_\_\_\_ once lived in the vast palace.

- n.* the male ruler of an empire

102. International law allows each nation to \_\_\_\_\_ itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.

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

ANSWERS: 95. edition, 96. honor, 97. Advocates, 98. define, 99. monarch, 100. mimic, 101. Emperor, 102. defend

103. The police escorted the prisoner to the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison

104. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

105. The interviewer arrived in a \_\_\_\_\_ of time.

*n.* a small cut, notch, or indentation in a surface or an edge

106. She wrote a letter of \_\_\_\_\_ to the renter.

*n.* an act of saying or writing that you are sorry for something that has been done wrong or that causes a trouble

107. Some \_\_\_\_\_ are common across cultures and backgrounds.

*n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

108. The \_\_\_\_\_ at the hotel had a wide variety of food options.

*n.* a meal where guests serve themselves from a counter or sideboard

109. The government used \_\_\_\_\_ pictures to spread its message of national unity.

*n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology

110. The trade \_\_\_\_\_ remained adamant about its demands.

*n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

ANSWERS: 103. jail, 104. critics, 105. nick, 106. apology, 107. emotions, 108. buffet, 109. propaganda, 110. union

111. The \_\_\_\_\_ cartoon poked fun at the politicians in a clever way.

*adj.* characterized by the use of criticism that ridicules human folly, vices, or weaknesses through humor, irony, or sarcasm

112. He \_\_\_\_\_ the actions of the corrupt official.

*v.* to speak out against; to strongly criticize something or someone

113. The music just \_\_\_\_\_ out.

*v.* to fail or lose power, efficiency, or value gradually before coming to an end

114. The \_\_\_\_\_ debate in certain countries raises questions about religious freedom and women's rights.

*n.* a type of swimsuit that covers most of the body, worn by some Muslim women for modesty purposes

115. The Chinese people have accomplished several \_\_\_\_\_ feats.

*adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so

116. Your \_\_\_\_\_ reflects your thoughts.

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

117. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his rival by breaking the world record.

*v.* to do better than someone; to surpass

118. The priest \_\_\_\_\_ the couple as they knelt before him.

*v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify

119. I always \_\_\_\_\_ my hands before eating to prevent germs from spreading.

*v.* to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication

ANSWERS: 111. satirical, 112. denounced, 113. petered, 114. burkini, 115. historic, 116. conversation, 117. outdo, 118. blessed, 119. sanitize

120. After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the \_\_\_\_\_ suspect.

*adj.* main or most important; basic

121. 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

122. It is a religion \_\_\_\_\_ with the western country.

*adj.* so different as to not be able to exist or work with another thing or person

123. This intriguing \_\_\_\_\_ mystery remains unsolved.

*n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally

124. The dragon is considered a \_\_\_\_\_ of bravery.

*n.* something visible that is used to represent something else

125. The \_\_\_\_\_ king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.

*n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons

126. The \_\_\_\_ of the wedding was filled with excitement and anticipation.

*n.* (also as "Eve") the day or period of time immediately preceding a particular event; the biblical figure who was the first woman and wife of Adam, according to the Jewish and Christian faiths

127. The king sat on his \_\_\_\_\_ surveying his kingdom.

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

ANSWERS: 120. prime, 121. relevance, 122. incompatible, 123. murder, 124. symbol, 125. exiled, 126. eve, 127. throne,

128. They watched the train \_\_\_\_\_ into the distance.

*v.* to cease to exist or be visible

129. This blog offers a variety of tips for \_\_\_\_\_ everyday life.

*v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks

130. An \_\_\_\_\_ with no democratic system in a place ruled the country.

*n.* a form of government in which one person has unlimited power and authority; a system of government in which a ruler or ruling class holds absolute power and controls all aspects of society

131. The comedian's \_\_\_\_\_ on politics had the audience laughing and thinking.

*n.* a literary or artistic work that uses irony, sarcasm, humor, ridicule, or exaggeration to criticize human vices, follies, or shortcomings; a genre of literature or art that uses such techniques

132. She plans to study \_\_\_\_\_ in college and become a reporter.

*n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast

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

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

134. Various artificially induced causes are \_\_\_\_\_ our ecosystem.

*v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

135. He has the \_\_\_\_ to keep talking about this topic.

*n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

ANSWERS: 128. disappear, 129. hacking, 130. autocracy, 131. satire, 132. journalism, 133. editorial, 134. threatening, 135. wit

136. The doctors said that her recovery was a \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God

137. The newspaper editor decided to \_\_\_\_\_ the controversial headline to avoid backlash.

- n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information

138. I forgot my sign-in \_\_\_\_\_ and couldn't log in to my account.

- n.* a secret word or phrase that must be used to gain admission to a place or service

139. The crowd's \_\_\_\_\_ was palpable as they shouted and protested against the government's decision.

- n.* intense and often violent anger

140. The \_\_\_\_\_ had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

- n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

141. The \_\_\_\_\_ group planned a series of violent attacks to push its agenda.

- n.* a person who holds extreme political or religious views and who is willing to use violent or illegal methods to promote those views

142. The politician delivered his speech from the \_\_\_\_\_ to a crowd of cheering supporters.

- n.* an official in ancient Rome who represented various social groups and had the power to veto decisions made by other officials; a platform or elevated area used for speaking or addressing a public audience

ANSWERS: 136. miracle, 137. censor, 138. password, 139. fury, 140. valley, 141. extremist, 142. tribune

143. Every five years, the provincial governors are \_\_\_\_\_.

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

144. Necessity is the mother of \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

145. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

- n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

146. Full involvement means \_\_\_\_\_ and prompt responses.

- adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

147. My wife seems to be in ill \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body

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

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

ANSWERS: 143. elected, 144. invention, 145. tradition, 146. frank, 147. humor, 148. journalists