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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### column

*n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument

*synonym*: line, pillar, cue

(1) the spinal **column**, (2) a **column** of water

The newspaper devoted several **columns** to the affair.

### wary

*adj.* cautious or distrustful, especially because of a previous bad experience

*synonym*: cautious, suspicious, leery

(1) a **wary** statesman, (2) **wary** of marriage

She was **wary** of meeting new people because of past experiences.

### inviting

*adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate

*synonym*: attractive, tempting, alluring

(1) **inviting** scent, (2) **inviting** atmosphere

The **inviting** aroma of freshly baked bread drew me into the bakery.

## faux

*adj.* not genuine; fake, or artificial; made to resemble something that it is not

*synonym*: imitation, artificial, simulated

(1) **faux** painting, (2) **faux** fur

She was embarrassed to realize her designer handbag was a **faux** leather knockoff.

## shed

*v.* to get rid of something as superfluous or unwanted; to cast off hair, skin, horn, or feathers; (noun) an outbuilding with a single story, mainly used for shelter or storage

*synonym*: discard, drop, cast off

(1) **shed** an old skin, (2) a cow **shed**

He **shed** a secret tear when he heard the news of his friend's death.

## identity

*n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

*synonym*: character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

## transgender

*adj.* relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth

*synonym*: non-binary

(1) **transgender** person, (2) **transgender** rights

Many **transgender** individuals face discrimination and marginalization in society.

## importance

*n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note

*synonym*: significance, primacy, matter

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

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

## misuse

*n.* the act of using something in an unsuitable way or for the wrong purpose

*synonym*: abuse, misemployment, mishandling

(1) the **misuse** of company money, (2) protect the database from **misuse**

Drug **misuse** is associated with mental health disorders.

## era

*n.* a period that is distinct from others, typically in history

*synonym*: epoch, age, period

(1) dawn of a new **era**, (2) the **era** of the Renaissance

Political corruption was common throughout the postwar **era**.

## pronoun

*n.* a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it"

(1) **pronoun** usage, (2) possessive **pronoun**

In English, personal **pronouns** such as "he," "she," and "they" can replace a person's name to avoid repetition.

## delicious

*adj.* exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell

*synonym*: appetizing, mouthwatering, delectable

(1) **delicious** breeze, (2) variety of **delicious** foods

We could grill the meat in a **delicious** way.

## rant

*v.* to talk or complain in a loud, angry, or intense manner, often for an extended period of time, usually about something that one feels strongly about

*synonym*: jabber, vent, grumble

(1) **rant** online, (2) **rant** about the service

I listened to my boss **rant** about the company's latest project for an hour.

## disrespect

*n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something

*synonym*: impoliteness, rudeness, insult

(1) mean no **disrespect**, (2) **disrespect** for a customer

His **disrespectful** behavior towards his elders earned him a

stern warning from his parents.

## meditation

*n.* the act of focusing one's mind on a particular object or thought; activity to train attention and achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state

*synonym* : contemplation, reflection, introspection

(1) **meditation** training, (2) religious **meditation**

The **meditation** instructor guided the group through the relaxation and breathing exercises.

## sacred

*adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

*synonym* : holy, inviolable, hallowed

(1) **sacred** music, (2) the halo of a **sacred** image

This space is a private office **sacred** to the President

## pause

*v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing

*synonym* : halt, break, intermit

(1) **pause** a moment, (2) **pause** for a reaction

The man **paused** before opening the door.

## ditto

*adv.* used to indicate that the same thing mentioned previously is true again; in the same way; (noun) a symbol that means "the same as above" or "repeat," often used in lists or tables to indicate that a previous item or value should be repeated

*synonym* : likewise, also, as well

(1) said **ditto**, (2) **ditto** on that

I loved the first book in the series, so I'm hoping the second one will be just as good - **ditto** for the third.

## parlance

*n.* the way in which a particular group or community uses language; the specific terms, expressions, and jargon used by people in a particular field, profession, or social group

*synonym* :

jargon, vernacular, dialect

(1) legal **parlance**, (2) common **parlance**

In medical **parlance**, a heart attack is a myocardial infarction.

## individual

*n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

*synonym*: person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

## moral

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

*synonym*: honest, ethical, conscientious

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

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

## strive

*v.* to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something

*synonym*: preserve, endure, persist

(1) **strive** hard to get, (2) **strive** for excellence

They **strived** to make their dream come true.

## definition

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

*synonym*: description, connotation, meaning

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

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

## commonwealth

*n.* a community of nations or people or a state in which the people hold the supreme power

*synonym*: federation, union, republic

(1) the **commonwealth** of learning, (2) **commonwealth** authority

The **Commonwealth** of Nations is an association of 54 countries, mostly former territories of the British Empire.

## obsolete

*adj.* no longer in use or helpful because something newer or better has been invented and introduced

*synonym* : ancient, bygone, outdated

(1) an **obsolete** word, (2) become **obsolete**

New technology has rendered my old smartphone **obsolete**.

## lean

*adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture

*synonym* : skinny, slender, (verb) slant

(1) a **lean** horse, (2) **lean** athletic figure

**Lean** operational improvements often lead to better environmental performance.

## modern

*adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times

*synonym* : contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre- **modern** agricultural society

Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

## equate

*v.* to consider or describe one thing as similar, equal, or analogous

*synonym* : associate, liken, relate

(1) **equate** mistakes with failure, (2) **equate** to legal responsibility

It isn't very reasonable to **equate** money with happiness.

## decorum

*n.* behavior that is in keeping with good taste and propriety; polite or appropriate conduct or behavior

*synonym* : propriety, manners, etiquette

(1) **decorum** rules, (2) **decorum** violation

The wedding reception had an air of **decorum** and elegance.

## polite

*adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior

*synonym* : courteous, civil, respectful

(1) **polite** manners, (2) **polite** tone

It's important to be **polite** even when you disagree with someone.

## **citizenship**

*n.* the status of being a member of a particular country

*synonym*: nationality, belonging, residency

(1) dual **citizenship**, (2) **citizenship** rights

Her **citizenship** application was denied due to a technical error.

## **conflate**

*v.* to blend or fuse two or more things, often with the result of creating confusion or a loss of distinction between them; to mistakenly treat two separate entities as one

*synonym*: fuse, blend, merge

(1) **conflate** ideas, (2) **conflate** data

It's important not to **conflate** two issues when analyzing a complex situation.

## **call-out**

*n.* a public challenge or dare to someone, often delivered with hostility or aggression; the act of publicly criticizing, condemning, or denouncing someone or something; a request for help or support, often in a crisis or emergency

*synonym*: protest, outcry, shout

(1) **call-out** fee, (2) fire department **call-out**

The CEO's speech was met with a **call-out** from the dissatisfied employees.

## **attempt**

*n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

*synonym*: endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**

The third **attempt** was far more successful.

## **forcibly**

*adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

*synonym*: violently, roughly, aggressively

(1) **forcibly** remove, (2) **forcibly** taken into a car  
The police officer **forcibly** removed the protesters from the public park.

## rattle

*v.* to make or cause to make short, successive, sharp, and loud sounds

*synonym*: jolt, shake, babble

(1) **rattle** along a road, (2) **rattle** and bang at the door

The vast earthquake caused the house to **rattle**.

## candidate

*n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant

*synonym*: applicant, nominee, contender

(1) **candidate** selection, (2) PhD **candidate**

The **candidate's** platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.

## 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.

## engage

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

*synonym*: confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,

(2) **engage** a new employee

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

## representative

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

*synonym*: spokesperson, agent, delegate

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

The media **representatives** had special passes.



## pathological

*adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy

*synonym* : aberrant, diseased, abnormal

(1) **pathological** liar, (2) **pathological** condition

The doctor was concerned that the patient's **pathological** fear of germs impacted their daily life.

## liberal

*adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded

*synonym* : broad, free, large-minded

(1) a **liberal** arts college, (2) under **liberal** conditions

He is **liberal** in his thoughts.

## dominate

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

*synonym* : govern, rule, prevail

(1) **dominate** possession, (2) **dominate** over the weak

The perspective of his right brain **dominates** his consciousness.

## 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.

## label

*n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

*synonym* : tag, mark, identifier

(1) a mailing **label**, (2) **label** a bag with my name

The **label** on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

## demonize

*v.* to portray or represent someone or something as evil or wicked, often to create fear or hostility towards them

*synonym* : vilify, condemn, defame

(1) **demonize** opponent, (2) **demonize** sugar

Some politicians try to **demonize** certain groups of people to gain political advantage.

## 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.

## translate

*v.* to convert or change words into another language

*synonym* : convert, transcribe, render

(1) **translate** a document into English, (2) **translate** the emotion to a movement

**Translate** the text from Italian into English.

## censure

*n.* strong criticism or disapproval; an official expression of disapproval or rebuke; (verb) to criticize or express disapproval of someone or something in a formal or official way

*synonym* : condemnation, criticism, disapproval

(1) **censure** him for his failure, (2) **censure** resolution

The athlete received a **censure** from her coaches for violating team rules.

## harass

*v.* to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention

*synonym* : pester, annoy, bother

(1) **harass** the enemy, (2) **harass** with constant criticism

She was constantly **harassed** by her ex-boyfriend and had to get a restraining order.

## administer

*v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

*synonym* : allocate, distribute, dispense

(1) **administer** justice, (2) **administer** the funds

After the accident, three governmental bodies **administer** the company.

## 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.

## nasty

*adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or offensive

*synonym* : disgusting, offensive, foul

(1) a **nasty** smell, (2) receive a **nasty** surprise

The weather turned **nasty**.

## incident

*n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

*synonym* : event, occurrence, accident

(1) traffic **incident**, (2) security **incident**

The **incident** at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

## 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.

## argue

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

*synonym* : debate, dispute, quarrel

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

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

dinner.

## din

*n.* a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket

*synonym* : noise, racket, clamor

(1) **din** of traffic, (2) mighty **din**

The **din** of the city was overwhelming.

## incivility

*n.* a lack of civility, courtesy, or politeness; rude or disrespectful behavior toward others

*synonym* : rudeness, impoliteness, disrespect

(1) **incivility** in politics, (2) online **incivility**

The **incivility** between the two politicians during the debate was disappointing.

## tear-gas

*n.* a chemical irritant that causes temporary blindness, coughing, and irritation of the eyes, nose, mouth, and respiratory system when used in crowd control or riot situations

*synonym* : lachrymator, mace

(1) **tear-gas** canister, (2) **tear-gas** grenade

The use of **tear-gas** has been controversial in recent protests and is often considered excessive force.

## separate

*v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

*synonym* : disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

## protest

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

*synonym* : objection, disapproval, challenge

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

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

## courtesy

*n.* polite behavior or remark that shows respect for other people

*synonym*: civility, politeness, respect

(1) **courtesy** call, (2) fail to show **courtesy**

Different cultures have different ways of expressing **courtesy**.

## suffrage

*n.* the right to vote in political elections; the exercise of voting rights or the process of obtaining them

*synonym*: franchise, vote, enfranchisement

(1) **suffrage** movement, (2) female **suffrage**

The **suffrage** march was a peaceful protest demanding voting rights for women.

## march

*v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

*synonym*: parade

(1) **march** against the war, (2) **march** east

The troops **marched** shoulder-to-shoulder.

## picket

*n.* a pointed wooden or metal stake driven into the ground used as a support or for marking an area or boundary; a group of people, typically strikers or protestors, stationed or moving around in front of a workplace, government building, or other location, to demonstrate opposition or to pick up supporters

*synonym*: fence, stake, lookout

(1) **picket** sign, (2) cross the **picket** line

The farmer built a **picket** fence around his garden to keep the animals out.

## chastise

*v.* to criticize or reprimand severely; to discipline or punish for wrongdoing or mistake

*synonym*: rebuke, reprimand, scold

(1) **chastise** behavior, (2) **chastise** a child

The coach **chastised** the players for not giving their best effort during the game.

## arrest

v. to take into custody

*synonym*: capture, detain, imprison

(1) **arrest** the thief, (2) **arrest** the progress

A police officer has the authority to **arrest** a criminal.

## pursue

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

*synonym*: seek, hunt, chase

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

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

## revere

v. to feel deep and profound respect or admiration for someone or something; to hold in high esteem

*synonym*: worship, venerate, admire

(1) **revere** a hero, (2) **revere** a deity

Many people **revere** their religious leaders and look up to them for guidance.

## nonviolence

n. the use of peaceful means, such as civil disobedience or passive resistance, rather than violence to achieve a goal, especially in the context of political or social change

*synonym*: pacifism, nonresistance, peacekeeping

(1) **nonviolence** movement, (2) **nonviolence** protest

Martin Luther King Jr. was a champion of **nonviolence** in the fight for civil rights.

## disobedience

n. the act of refusing or failing to follow orders or rules

*synonym*: rebelliousness, insubordination, defiance

(1) **disobedience** to authority, (2) civil **disobedience**

The **disobedience** of the soldiers resulted in a court martial.

## uncivil

*adj.* rude or impolite; lacking in courtesy or consideration for others; violating commonly accepted social norms or expectations

*synonym*: rude, impolite, discourteous

(1) **uncivil** political climate, (2) **uncivil** remark

Her **uncivil** behavior at the meeting caused much tension among the group.

## promote

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

*synonym*: boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior

The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

## racial

*adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

*synonym*: ethnic, tribal, ethnical

(1) **racial** prejudice, (2) **racial** and ethnic backgrounds

A minor **racial** conflict later led to a civil war.

## economy

n. the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

*synonym*: finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

## disagree

v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

*synonym*: discord, oppose, dissent

(1) **disagree** about a particular issue, (2) **disagree** with a plan

I **disagree** for reasons already stated above.

## absolutely

*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

*synonym*: completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the

girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

## **guru**

*n.* a spiritual teacher or leader, notably in Hindu and Sikh traditions; a person who has knowledge and expertise in a particular area

*synonym*: sage, mentor, master

(1) **guru** meditation, (2) spiritual **guru**

He was considered a **guru** in economics and consulted by many leaders.

## **executive**

*n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

*synonym*: administrator, manager, director

(1) **executive** editor at the publishing house, (2) **executive** vice president

As the **executive** director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.

## **nation**

*n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

*synonym*: country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

## **institute**

*n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

*synonym*: academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**



This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

## discourse

*n.* any form of communication in speech or writing

*synonym*: discussion, dialogue, communication

(1) hold **discourse** with him, (2) a **discourse** about art

Sweet **discourse** makes short days and nights.

## civility

*n.* polite and courteous behavior towards other people; a formalized display of politeness, often in the form of ritualized etiquette

*synonym*: politeness, courtesy, gentility

(1) **civility** in politics, (2) practice **civility**

A culture of **civility** promotes respectful discourse and constructive conflict resolution.

## appease

*v.* to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety

*synonym*: pacify, calm, soothe

(1) **appease** hunger, (2) **appease** her fears

The manager tried to **appease** the angry customer by offering them a refund.

## 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.

## engagement

*n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

*synonym*: betrothal, promise, commitment

(1) a prior **engagement**, (2) break off an **engagement**

They selected a gorgeous diamond **engagement** ring.

## boundary

*n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

*synonym*: border, frontier, limitation

(1) geographical **boundary**, (2) the **boundary** between reality and fantasy

He wandered the **boundary** between life and death by gunfire.

## instance

*n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

*synonym*: example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

## demean

*v.* to lower or damage someone's dignity, honor, or reputation; to treat someone disrespectfully, often in a way that makes them feel inferior or humiliated

*synonym*: lower, degrade, humiliate

(1) **demean** the value, (2) **demean** the reputation

You shouldn't **demean** yourself by taking on tasks beneath your skill level.

## invoke

*v.* to call upon or request help or support, especially from a higher power; to mention or use something as a reason or justification for actions or decisions

*synonym*: evoke, summon, call forth

(1) **invoke** memories, (2) **invoke** the right to remain silent

The politician **invoked** the name of the founding fathers in his speech.

## 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.

## specifically

*adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing

*synonym*: especially, particularly, notably

(1) designed **specifically** for men, (2) for **specifically** American customers

This ad campaign is aimed **specifically** at young women.

## ethnic

*adj.* relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition

*synonym*: racial, ethnical, tribal

(1) **ethnic** minority, (2) single **ethnic** group

Each **ethnic** group has its unique rituals.

## communal

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

*synonym*: collaborative, combined, collective

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

**Communal** elections were held in several European countries.

## disabled

*adj.* having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do

*synonym*: handicapped, impaired, incapacitated

(1) a **disabled** veteran, (2) a learning- **disabled** child

She was **disabled** in a car accident.

## snowflake

*n.* a small, thin, delicate piece of snow; a person, especially a young person, who is perceived as overly sensitive, easily offended, or with an inflated sense of entitlement

*synonym*: flake, crystal, ice pellet

(1) delicate **snowflake**, (2) **snowflake** pattern

The Christmas tree was beautifully decorated with delicate **snowflake** ornaments.

## violent

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

*synonym*: aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

## ford

*n.* a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across

*synonym*: crossing, traversing, passing

(1) **ford** a river, (2) across a **ford**

The river was too deep to cross, so we had to find a **ford** downstream where the water was shallower.

## accuse

*v.* to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing

*synonym*: charge, blame, criticize

(1) **accuse** his rudeness, (2) **accuse** each other

The witness **accused** the defendant of committing the robbery.

## supreme

*adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance

*synonym*: foremost, highest, greatest

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

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

## nominee

*n.* a person who is proposed as a candidate or contender for a position, award, or honor

*synonym*: candidate, contender, applicant

(1) oscar **nominee**, (2) presidential **nominee**

The **nominee** for the upcoming election vows to make positive changes in their community.

## assault

*n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will

*synonym* : assault, attack, raid

(1) **assault** aircraft, (2) victim of sexual **assault**

We got caught up in an **assault** case.

## slide

*v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

*synonym* : glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance

If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

## largely

*adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree

*synonym* : mainly, chiefly, broadly

(1) **largely** accepted, (2) **largely** mitigate the issue

Nevada is **largely** a desert state.

## redact

*v.* to remove words or information from a document for publication; (noun) a person who puts text into appropriate form for publication

*synonym* : edit, bowdlerize, alter

(1) **redact** information, (2) **redact** content

This system **redacts** personal information when the data is made public.

## 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.

## refer

*v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

*synonym* : cite, allude, mention

(1) **refer** to a book, (2) **refer** to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

## **darn**

*v.* to mend a piece of clothing by sewing over a hole or tear with small, tight stitches

*synonym*: mend, repair, patch

(1) **darn** stockings, (2) **darn** hole

I have to **darn** these socks before they become unwearable.

## **vulgar**

*adj.* not having sophistication or good taste; making explicit and offensive references to sex or bodily functions

*synonym*: crude, nasty, tasteless

(1) **vulgar** language, (2) **vulgar** content

She was offended by his **vulgar** gesture.

## **coarse**

*adj.* rough or uneven in texture; lacking refinement or sensitivity in behavior, speech, or manners

*synonym*: rough, rugged, harsh

(1) **coarse** language, (2) **coarse** texture

The kitchen knife had a **coarse** edge, making cutting through the tough steak difficult.

## **explicit**

*adj.* stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

*synonym*: clear, unambiguous, unequivocal

(1) **explicit** content, (2) **explicit** instructions

The movie had an **explicit** sex scene that some viewers might find offensive.

## **threat**

*n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

*synonym*: menace, danger, hazard

(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**

The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

- 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.
- outlet** n. a means of release or expression, often for emotions or energy; a place of business that sells goods directly to customers; a device or opening through which something can flow out  
*synonym*: opening, vent, aperture  
(1) an **outlet** for water, (2) media **outlet**  
The **outlet** in the bathroom was faulty, so I had to use a different one for my hair dryer.
- context** n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning  
*synonym*: background, setting, environment  
(1) historical **context**, (2) legal **context**  
It's important to understand the **context** of a situation before making a decision.
- grudge** n. a feeling of resentment or ill-will towards someone, often stemming from a past event or perceived wrongdoing  
*synonym*: animosity, resentment, bitterness  
(1) deep-seated **grudge**, (2) bitter **grudge**  
I still hold a **grudge** against my former boss for treating me unfairly.
- stalk** v. to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework  
*synonym*: follow, creep up on, (noun) stem

(1) **stalk** of celery, (2) **stalk** from the room

The hunter quietly **stalked** the deer for hours before taking the shot

## fluffy

*adj.* soft and light, often with a texture that resembles feathers or fur

*synonym*: soft, feathery, puffy

(1) **fluffy** clouds, (2) **fluffy** blanket

The kitten had **fluffy** fur that was soft to the touch.

## decoration

*n.* the act of adding something that is intended to make something more attractive; an award or honor that is given to someone in recognition of their achievements

*synonym*: adornment, ornament, embellishment

(1) colorful **decorations**, (2) chocolate **decorations** for cakes

The room was filled with beautiful **decorations** for the wedding reception.

## leash

*n.* a long, flexible cord or chain used to restrain or control a dog (or other animals); a figurative tool used to control or limit someone's behavior or actions

*synonym*: tether, lead, restraint

(1) dog **leash**, (2) walk on a **leash**

Make sure to put the **leash** on your dog before walking.

## rage

*n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence

*synonym*: fury, anger, outrage

(1) uncontrollable **rage**, (2) fall into a **rage**

She was filled with a burning **rage** at the injustice she had witnessed.

## slug

*n.* a common name for any terrestrial gastropod mollusk that appears to lack a shell with soft and black or brown color; a bullet, a shot of alcoholic drink

(1) lazy **slug**, (2) reduce **slug** damage



I spotted a giant **slug** in the rain garden.

**bat** *n.* a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis  
*synonym* : cane, rod, stick  
(1) **bat** cave, (2) **bat** an eye  
The cave was a habitat for **bats**.

**forestall** *v.* to prevent or obstruct something from happening; to anticipate and take action to prevent or prepare for something  
*synonym* : prevent, hinder, obstruct  
(1) **forestall** disaster, (2) **forestall** a negative outcome  
She wanted to **forestall** any potential issues by planning and taking proactive measures.

**ugly** *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at  
*synonym* : unattractive, unsightly, repulsive  
(1) an **ugly** sound, (2) **ugly** building  
The **ugly** truth was that he had been lying to her for months.

**escalate** *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious  
*synonym* : increase, intensify, expand  
(1) **escalate** into a major international incident, (2) to **escalate**  
The situation quickly **escalated** and turned violent.

**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.

## homophobia

*n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

*synonym* : prejudice, discrimination, bigotry

(1) **homophobia** awareness, (2) **homophobia** in sports  
The politician's remarks about same-sex marriage revealed his deep-seated **homophobia**.

## racist

*adj.* characterized by or showing discrimination or prejudice against people of other races; (noun) a person with a prejudiced belief that one racial group is superior to others

*synonym* : discriminatory, prejudiced, bigoted

(1) far-right **racist**, (2) **racist** attitudes  
The **racist** comments made by the politician caused widespread condemnation.

## xenophobia

*n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries

*synonym* : fear, hatred, aversion

(1) suffer from **xenophobia**, (2) linguistic **xenophobia**  
The **xenophobia** in society makes it hard for immigrants to assimilate and integrate.

## incendiary

*adj.* intended to cause fires, arson, or combustible materials; capable of causing a fire

*synonym* : flaming, explosive, blazing

(1) **incendiary** bombs, (2) **incendiary** speech  
The arsonist used an **incendiary** device to start the fire.

## opponent

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

*synonym* : adversary, competitor, enemy

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

## noteworthy

*adj.* deserving of attention, interest, or acclaim; significant or remarkable

*synonym*: remarkable, significant, notable

(1) **noteworthy** achievement, (2) **noteworthy** event

The artist's latest work received **noteworthy** critical acclaim.

## policy

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

*synonym*: strategy, plan, guideline

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

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

## offensive

*adj.* rude in a way that causes someone to feel anger, annoyance, or resentment; for the purpose of attack rather than defense

*synonym*: disrespectful, abusive, attacking

(1) assume the **offensive**, (2) an **offensive** smell

His **offensive** philosophy in business led to many hostile takeovers.

## philosophy

*n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

*synonym*: doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

## loose

*adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

*synonym*: relaxed, unconsolidated, open

(1) a **loose** tongue, (2) remove **loose** hair

The inspector discovered **loose** bolts under the fuel rods.

## bully

*n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

*synonym* : tormentor, intimidator, aggressor

(1) **bully** bystander, (2) **bully** the weak

The schoolyard **bully** terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.

## 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.

## specific

*adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

*synonym* : particular, definite, distinct

(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations

The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.

## kingdom

*n.* the country ruled by a king or queen

*synonym* : empire, realm, land

(1) establish his **kingdom**, (2) a subordinate **kingdom**

By remaining neutral, this **kingdom** continued to exist.

## divide

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

*synonym* : separate, disconnect, split

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

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

## 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.**

**breakup**

*n.* the end of a relationship between persons or nations; the separation of something into several pieces or sections

*synonym*: breakdown, divorce, separation

(1) a **breakup** hug, (2) air **breakup**

He got over the big **breakup** with his wife.

**phrase**

*n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together

*synonym*: expression, idiom, term

(1) ready-made **phrases**, (2) noun **phrase**

We bought a Spanish **phrase** book.

**frightening**

*adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming

*synonym*: scary, terrifying, alarming

(1) cast **frightening** eyes, (2) **frightening** experience

The news of the pandemic was a **frightening** reminder of the fragility of human health.

**parochial**

*adj.* related to or characteristic of a small or narrow-minded community, often referring to a geographic location or mindset; having limited or narrow knowledge or experience of the world outside one's immediate surroundings

*synonym*: narrow-minded, insular, provincial

(1) **parochial** views, (2) **parochial** community

The **parochial** attitude of the small town made it difficult for outsiders to feel welcome.

**lizard**

*n.* a reptile that has a relatively long body, two pairs of legs, and a tapering tail

(1) giant **lizard**, (2) **lizard** leather

The **lizard's** tail regenerates if severed.

**brain**

*n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

*synonym* : intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

**abbey**

*n.* a monastery or convent, especially for monks or nuns

*synonym* : monastery, convent

(1) ruined **abbey**, (2) **abbey** church

The venerable **abbey** was founded in the 12th century.

**patina**

*n.* a thin layer that forms on the surface of an object as a result of natural aging or exposure to environmental factors often valued for its aesthetic or historical significance

*synonym* : tarnish, oxidation, weathering

(1) green **patina**, (2) coat with a **patina**

The antique dealer valued the piece higher due to its rich **patina** and aged appearance.

**dowager**

*n.* a widow who holds a title or property that was inherited from her deceased husband; an older woman of high social rank

*synonym* : widow, older woman, matriarch

(1) empress **dowager**, (2) **dowager** duchess

She carried the title of **dowager** baroness with pride, honoring her late husband's legacy.

**countess**

*n.* the wife or widow of a count or a woman of noble rank that holds the title of countess in her own right

*synonym* : noblewoman, peeress, lady

(1) young **countess**, (2) **countess** of Lonsdale

The **countess's** impeccable manners and elegant dress made her the talk of the ball.

**blacksmith**

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

(1) **blacksmith** welding, (2) **blacksmith** shop  
The **blacksmith** shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.

## defeatist

*n.* a person who expects not to succeed without offering positive suggestions

*synonym* : pessimist, negativist, downbeat

(1) **defeatist** attitude, (2) **defeatist** mood

Our team has to overcome a **defeatist** mentality.

## bakery

*n.* a place where bread and other baked goods are made and sold

*synonym* : bakeshop, bakehouse

(1) run a **bakery**, (2) **bakery** industry

He worked at the **bakery** as a baker.

## amazing

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

*synonym* : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

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

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

## praise

*n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something

*synonym* : acclaim, honor, commendation

(1) attain critical **praise**, (2) universal **praise**

The drama series mainly received **praise**.

## lord

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

*synonym* : master, noble, peer

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

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

## croissant

*n.* a crescent-shaped pastry made of laminated dough and often filled with cheese, chocolate, or other ingredients; a popular breakfast pastry in France and other countries

*synonym* : crescent roll, pastry, Danish pastry

(1) butter **croissant**, (2) delicious **croissant**

I had a cup of coffee and a **croissant** for breakfast this morning.

## **cab**

*n.* a taxi or other vehicle that can be hired for transportation; the compartment from which a vehicle, such as a train or truck, is driven

*synonym* : taxi, hack, cabriolet

(1) taxi **cab**, (2) yellow **cab**

I hailed a **cab** to take me to the airport.

## **puzzled**

*adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something

*synonym* : confused, perplexed, bewildered

(1) **puzzled** expression, (2) **puzzled** by the question

She was **puzzled** by the strange behavior of her cat.

## **pastry**

*n.* a baked food made of flour, fat, water, and sometimes eggs, sugar, and other ingredients, used as a base or casing for sweet or savory dishes

*synonym* : bakery, baked goods, sweet treats

(1) **pastry** chef, (2) fruit **pastry**

The chef's specialty is a savory **pastry** with spinach and feta cheese.

## **nationality**

*n.* the legal status or right of belonging to a particular country

*synonym* : ethnicity, race, citizenship

(1) acquisition of **nationality**, (2) **nationality** certificate

Dual **nationality** is prohibited in specific nations but not in others.

## **orientation**

*n.* a person's basic attitudes, beliefs, and preferences about particular things; a course introducing a new situation or environment

*synonym* : direction, introduction, frontage



(1) sexual **orientation**, (2) the school **orientation**

There will be an **orientation** lecture for new students this afternoon.

## occupation

*n.* a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession

*synonym*: job, profession, vocation

(1) **occupation** disease, (2) **occupation** of a building

The police stopped the suspicious person and asked him to give his name, address, and **occupation**.

## develop

*v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

*synonym*: evolve, progress, advance

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

We must **develop** a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

## appall

*v.* to shock or disgust; to fill with dismay

*synonym*: shock, disgust, dismay

(1) **appall** the tourists, (2) **appall** me

The news of the massacre **appalled** the entire nation.

## forgo

*v.* to give up or abstain from something; to do without something that one might be entitled to

*synonym*: abstain, renounce, sacrifice

(1) **forgo** dessert, (2) **forgo** the luxury

We had to **forgo** our outdoor picnic because of the sudden rain.

## calorie

*n.* unit of heat defined as the quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of 1 gram of water by 1 degree Celsius at atmospheric pressure, used by nutritionists to measure how much energy food will produce

(1) **calorie** calculation, (2) reduce my **calorie** intake  
It would be best if you burned off **calories** through vigorous exercise.

## **battlefield**

*n.* a place where a battle or conflict is fought

*synonym*: warzone, front line, combat area

(1) **battlefield** casualties, (2) tactics on the **battlefield**

The general reviewed the plans for the upcoming battle on the **battlefield**.

## **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.

## **convention**

*n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example

*synonym*: meeting, conference, congress

(1) **convention** center, (2) political **convention**

They met at biennial **conventions**.

## **parameter**

*n.* a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data

*synonym*: factor, variable, characteristic

(1) **parameter** estimation, (2) **parameter** tuning

The temperature range was one of the critical **parameters** we had to consider when designing the experiment.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. pu\_\_\_\_d expression *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
2. a di\_\_\_\_\_se about art *n.* any form of communication in speech or writing
3. as\_\_\_\_\_t aircraft *n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will
4. the su\_\_\_\_\_e commander *adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
5. tra\_\_\_\_\_er person *adj.* relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth
6. justice of the su\_\_\_\_\_e court *adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
7. f\_\_x painting *adj.* not genuine; fake, or artificial; made to resemble something that it is not
8. a silent pr\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
9. co\_\_\_\_\_te ideas *v.* to blend or fuse two or more things, often with the result of creating confusion or a loss of distinction between them; to mistakenly treat two separate entities as one
10. de\_\_\_\_\_m rules *n.* behavior that is in keeping with good taste and propriety; polite or appropriate conduct or behavior

ANSWERS: 1. puzzled, 2. discourse, 3. assault, 4. supreme, 5. transgender, 6. supreme, 7. faux, 8. protest, 9. conflate, 10. decorum

11. med\_\_\_\_\_on training *n.* the act of focusing one's mind on a particular object or thought; activity to train attention and achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state
12. opp\_\_\_\_\_on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
13. religious med\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of focusing one's mind on a particular object or thought; activity to train attention and achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state
14. ce\_\_\_\_\_e him for his failure *n.* strong criticism or disapproval; an official expression of disapproval or rebuke; (verb) to criticize or express disapproval of someone or something in a formal or official way
15. fruit pa\_\_\_\_y *n.* a baked food made of flour, fat, water, and sometimes eggs, sugar, and other ingredients, used as a base or casing for sweet or savory dishes
16. across a f\_\_d *n.* a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across
17. ac\_\_\_\_e his rudeness *v.* to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing
18. e\_\_t a video *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
19. designed spe\_\_\_\_\_lly for men *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing

ANSWERS: 11. meditation, 12. opposition, 13. meditation, 14. censure, 15. pastry, 16. ford, 17. accuse, 18. edit, 19. specifically

20. pa\_\_\_\_\_al views *adj.* related to or characteristic of a small or narrow-minded community, often referring to a geographic location or mindset; having limited or narrow knowledge or experience of the world outside one's immediate surroundings
21. ar\_\_e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
22. com\_\_\_\_\_lth authority *n.* a community of nations or people or a state in which the people hold the supreme power
23. fo\_\_\_\_\_ly taken into a car *adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will
24. tr\_\_\_\_\_te a document into English *v.* to convert or change words into another language
25. a di\_\_\_\_\_ed veteran *adj.* having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do
26. fri\_\_\_\_\_ng experience *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
27. ruined ab\_\_y *n.* a monastery or convent, especially for monks or nuns
28. pr\_\_\_\_\_n usage *n.* a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it"
29. hom\_\_\_\_\_ia in sports *n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

ANSWERS: 20. parochial, 21. argue, 22. commonwealth, 23. forcibly, 24. translate, 25. disabled, 26. frightening, 27. abbey, 28. pronoun, 29. homophobia

30. the mi\_\_\_e of company money      *n.* the act of using something in an unsuitable way or for the wrong purpose
31. te\_\_\_\_as grenade      *n.* a chemical irritant that causes temporary blindness, coughing, and irritation of the eyes, nose, mouth, and respiratory system when used in crowd control or riot situations
32. con\_\_\_\_\_on center      *n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
33. historical co\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
34. permanent br\_\_n damage      *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
35. mistaken id\_\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
36. un\_\_\_\_\_l remark      *adj.* rude or impolite; lacking in courtesy or consideration for others; violating commonly accepted social norms or expectations
37. tr\_\_\_\_\_te the emotion to a movement      *v.* to convert or change words into another language
38. co\_\_\_\_\_te data      *v.* to blend or fuse two or more things, often with the result of creating confusion or a loss of distinction between them; to mistakenly treat two separate entities as one

ANSWERS: 30. misuse, 31. tear-gas, 32. convention, 33. context, 34. brain, 35. identity, 36. uncivil, 37. translate, 38. conflate

39. co\_\_\_\_al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
40. suffer from xen\_\_\_\_ia *n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
41. reduce s\_\_g damage *n.* a common name for any terrestrial gastropod mollusk that appears to lack a shell with soft and black or brown color; a bullet, a shot of alcoholic drink
42. do\_\_\_\_te possession *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
43. deep-seated gr\_\_\_\_e *n.* a feeling of resentment or ill-will towards someone, often stemming from a past event or perceived wrongdoing
44. choose tr\_\_p *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
45. ra\_\_\_\_t attitudes *adj.* characterized by or showing discrimination or prejudice against people of other races; (noun) a person with a prejudiced belief that one racial group is superior to others
46. li\_\_\_\_d leather *n.* a reptile that has a relatively long body, two pairs of legs, and a tapering tail
47. fo\_\_\_\_ll a negative outcome *v.* to prevent or obstruct something from happening; to anticipate and take action to prevent or prepare for something
48. ca\_\_\_\_ut fee *n.* a public challenge or dare to someone, often delivered with hostility or aggression; the act of publicly criticizing, condemning, or denouncing someone or something; a request for help or support, often in a crisis or emergency

ANSWERS: 39. communal, 40. xenophobia, 41. slug, 42. dominate, 43. grudge, 44. trump, 45. racist, 46. lizard, 47. forestall, 48. call-out

49. 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.
50. la\_\_\_\_\_y accepted *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
51. in\_\_\_e the right to remain silent *v.* to call upon or request help or support, especially from a higher power; to mention or use something as a reason or justification for actions or decisions
52. yellow c\_b *n.* a taxi or other vehicle that can be hired for transportation; the compartment from which a vehicle, such as a train or truck, is driven
53. l\_\_n athletic figure *adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
54. mo\_\_l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
55. la\_\_l a bag with my name *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
56. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
57. foreign po\_\_\_\_y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 49. president, 50. largely, 51. invoke, 52. cab, 53. lean, 54. moral, 55. label, 56. absolutely, 57. policy



58. de\_\_\_n the value *v.* to lower or damage someone's dignity, honor, or reputation; to treat someone disrespectfully, often in a way that makes them feel inferior or humiliated
59. am\_\_\_\_g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
60. do\_\_\_\_r duchess *n.* a widow who holds a title or property that was inherited from her deceased husband; an older woman of high social rank
61. co\_\_\_\_sy call *n.* polite behavior or remark that shows respect for other people
62. r\_\_t online *v.* to talk or complain in a loud, angry, or intense manner, often for an extended period of time, usually about something that one feels strongly about
63. dawn of a new e\_a *n.* a period that is distinct from others, typically in history
64. pat\_\_\_\_cal condition *adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy
65. di\_\_\_\_ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
66. co\_\_\_\_al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
67. pi\_\_t sign *n.* a pointed wooden or metal stake driven into the ground used as a support or for marking an area or boundary; a group of people, typically strikers or protestors, stationed or moving around in front of a workplace, government building, or other location, to demonstrate opposition or to pick up supporters

ANSWERS: 58. demean, 59. amazing, 60. dowager, 61. courtesy, 62. rant, 63. era, 64. pathological, 65. disappear, 66. communal, 67. picket

68. industry-sp\_\_\_\_ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
69. a seafaring na\_\_\_\_n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
70. di\_\_\_\_ee with a plan *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
71. butter cr\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a crescent-shaped pastry made of laminated dough and often filled with cheese, chocolate, or other ingredients; a popular breakfast pastry in France and other countries
72. fail to show co\_\_\_\_sy *n.* polite behavior or remark that shows respect for other people
73. adm\_\_\_\_er the funds *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
74. en\_\_\_\_e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
75. fl\_\_\_\_y blanket *adj.* soft and light, often with a texture that resembles feathers or fur
76. su\_\_\_\_ge movement *n.* the right to vote in political elections; the exercise of voting rights or the process of obtaining them
77. eq\_\_\_\_e to legal responsibility *v.* to consider or describe one thing as similar, equal, or analogous
78. high imp\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note

ANSWERS: 68. specific, 69. nation, 70. disagree, 71. croissant, 72. courtesy, 73. administer, 74. engage, 75. fluffy, 76. suffrage, 77. equate, 78. importance

79. common pa\_\_\_\_\_ce                      *n.*    the way in which a particular group or community uses language; the specific terms, expressions, and jargon used by people in a particular field, profession, or social group
80. re\_\_\_e a deity                              *v.*    to feel deep and profound respect or admiration for someone or something; to hold in high esteem
81. se\_\_\_\_\_te video into chapter                      *v.*    to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
82. the at\_\_\_\_\_t to rescue the hostages                      *n.*    an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
83. a l\_\_n horse                                *adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
84. hold a pr\_\_\_\_\_t                              *n.*    a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
85. the com\_\_\_\_\_lth of learning                      *n.*    a community of nations or people or a state in which the people hold the supreme power
86. geographical bo\_\_\_\_\_ry                      *n.*    a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
87. sp\_\_\_\_\_ic instructions                      *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
88. environmental th\_\_\_\_t                      *n.*    a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

ANSWERS: 79. parlance, 80. revere, 81. separate, 82. attempt, 83. lean, 84. protest, 85. commonwealth, 86. boundary, 87. specific, 88. threat

89. attain critical pr\_\_\_e *n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something
90. security in\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
91. an official rep\_\_\_\_\_ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
92. re\_\_\_t information *v.* to remove words or information from a document for publication; (noun) a person who puts text into appropriate form for publication
93. f\_\_d a river *n.* a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across
94. sn\_\_\_\_\_ke pattern *n.* a small, thin, delicate piece of snow; a person, especially a young person, who is perceived as overly sensitive, easily offended, or with an inflated sense of entitlement
95. ap\_\_\_\_\_e hunger *v.* to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety
96. the bo\_\_\_\_\_ry between reality and fantasy *n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
97. basic br\_\_n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

ANSWERS: 89. praise, 90. incident, 91. representative, 92. redact, 93. ford, 94. snowflake, 95. appease, 96. boundary, 97. brain

98. in\_\_\_\_\_te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
99. sa\_\_\_\_d music *adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god
100. occ\_\_\_\_\_on disease *n.* a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession
101. coat with a pa\_\_\_\_a *n.* a thin layer that forms on the surface of an object as a result of natural aging or exposure to environmental factors often valued for its aesthetic or historical significance
102. noun ph\_\_\_\_e *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
103. 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
104. st\_\_k from the room *v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

ANSWERS: 98. institute, 99. sacred, 100. occupation, 101. patina, 102. phrase, 103. democracy, 104. stalk

105. green pa\_\_\_a *n.* a thin layer that forms on the surface of an object as a result of natural aging or exposure to environmental factors often valued for its aesthetic or historical significance
106. a private ind\_\_\_\_\_al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
107. air br\_\_\_\_\_p *n.* the end of a relationship between persons or nations; the separation of something into several pieces or sections
108. di\_\_\_\_\_ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
109. fall into a r\_\_e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
110. pu\_\_\_e a goal *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
111. ci\_\_\_\_\_ty in politics *n.* polite and courteous behavior towards other people; a formalized display of politeness, often in the form of ritualized etiquette
112. ec\_\_\_\_\_y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
113. ex\_\_\_\_\_it instructions *adj.* stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

ANSWERS: 105. patina, 106. individual, 107. breakup, 108. disappear, 109. rage, 110. pursue, 111. civility, 112. economy, 113. explicit

114. for spe\_\_\_\_\_ly American customers
115. non\_\_\_\_\_ce protest
116. delicious cr\_\_\_\_\_nt
117. re\_\_r to a map
118. traffic in\_\_\_\_\_nt
119. bu\_\_y bystander
120. ca\_\_\_\_\_e calculation
- adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
- n.* the use of peaceful means, such as civil disobedience or passive resistance, rather than violence to achieve a goal, especially in the context of political or social change
- n.* a crescent-shaped pastry made of laminated dough and often filled with cheese, chocolate, or other ingredients; a popular breakfast pastry in France and other countries
- v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
- n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
- n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
- n.* unit of heat defined as the quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of 1 gram of water by 1 degree Celsius at atmospheric pressure, used by nutritionists to measure how much energy food will produce

ANSWERS: 114. specifically, 115. nonviolence, 116. croissant, 117. refer, 118. incident, 119. bully, 120. calorie

121. a reckless at\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
122. ra\_\_\_\_l and ethnic backgrounds *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
123. an ed\_\_\_\_\_al article *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
124. victim of a vi\_\_\_\_\_t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
125. di\_\_\_\_e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
126. st\_\_\_\_e for excellence *v.* to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something
127. spiritual g\_\_u *n.* a spiritual teacher or leader, notably in Hindu and Sikh traditions; a person who has knowledge and expertise in a particular area
128. pa\_\_\_\_y chef *n.* a baked food made of flour, fat, water, and sometimes eggs, sugar, and other ingredients, used as a base or casing for sweet or savory dishes
129. hom\_\_\_\_\_ia awareness *n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

ANSWERS: 121. attempt, 122. racial, 123. editorial, 124. violent, 125. divide, 126. strive, 127. guru, 128. pastry, 129. homophobia



130. a friendly con\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
131. western phi\_\_\_\_\_hy      *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
132. a learning-di\_\_\_\_\_ed child      *adj.* having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do
133. ra\_\_\_e and bang at the door      *v.* to make or cause to make short, successive, sharp, and loud sounds
134. pre-mo\_\_\_n agricultural society      *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
135. far-right ra\_\_\_t      *adj.* characterized by or showing discrimination or prejudice against people of other races; (noun) a person with a prejudiced belief that one racial group is superior to others
136. the halo of a sa\_\_\_d image      *adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god
137. an ob\_\_\_\_\_te word      *adj.* no longer in use or helpful because something newer or better has been invented and introduced
138. de\_\_\_\_\_us breeze      *adj.* exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell
139. 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

ANSWERS: 130. conversation, 131. philosophy, 132. disabled, 133. rattle, 134. modern, 135. racist, 136. sacred, 137. obsolete, 138. delicious, 139. intolerant

140. legal pa\_\_\_\_\_ce      *n.* the way in which a particular group or community uses language; the specific terms, expressions, and jargon used by people in a particular field, profession, or social group
141. universal pr\_\_\_\_e      *n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something
142. de\_\_\_\_\_st attitude      *n.* a person who expects not to succeed without offering positive suggestions
143. a man of imp\_\_\_\_\_ce      *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
144. empress do\_\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a widow who holds a title or property that was inherited from her deceased husband; an older woman of high social rank
145. di\_\_o on that      *adv.* used to indicate that the same thing mentioned previously is true again; in the same way; (noun) a symbol that means "the same as above" or "repeat," often used in lists or tables to indicate that a previous item or value should be repeated
146. delicate sn\_\_\_\_\_ke      *n.* a small, thin, delicate piece of snow; a person, especially a young person, who is perceived as overly sensitive, easily offended, or with an inflated sense of entitlement
147. ch\_\_\_\_\_se a child      *v.* to criticize or reprimand severely; to discipline or punish for wrongdoing or mistake

ANSWERS: 140. parlance, 141. praise, 142. defeatist, 143. importance, 144. dowager, 145. ditto, 146. snowflake, 147. chastise

148. sl\_\_e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
149. assume the of\_\_\_\_\_ve *adj.* rude in a way that causes someone to feel anger, annoyance, or resentment; for the purpose of attack rather than defense
150. female su\_\_\_\_\_ge *n.* the right to vote in political elections; the exercise of voting rights or the process of obtaining them
151. s\_\_d an old skin *v.* to get rid of something as superfluous or unwanted; to cast off hair, skin, horn, or feathers; (noun) an outbuilding with a single story, mainly used for shelter or storage
152. research in\_\_\_\_\_tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
153. sl\_\_e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
154. inc\_\_\_\_\_ty in politics *n.* a lack of civility, courtesy, or politeness; rude or disrespectful behavior toward others
155. st\_\_k of celery *v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

ANSWERS: 148. slide, 149. offensive, 150. suffrage, 151. shed, 152. institute, 153. slide, 154. incivility, 155. stalk

156. fire department ca\_\_\_\_\_ut      *n.* a public challenge or dare to someone, often delivered with hostility or aggression; the act of publicly criticizing, condemning, or denouncing someone or something; a request for help or support, often in a crisis or emergency
157. giant li\_\_\_\_d      *n.* a reptile that has a relatively long body, two pairs of legs, and a tapering tail
158. ar\_\_\_\_t the progress      *v.* to take into custody
159. colorful dec\_\_\_\_\_ons      *n.* the act of adding something that is intended to make something more attractive; an award or honor that is given to someone in recognition of their achievements
160. ex\_\_\_\_\_ve editor at the publishing house      *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
161. w\_\_y of marriage      *adj.* cautious or distrustful, especially because of a previous bad experience
162. cross the pi\_\_\_\_t line      *n.* a pointed wooden or metal stake driven into the ground used as a support or for marking an area or boundary; a group of people, typically strikers or protestors, stationed or moving around in front of a workplace, government building, or other location, to demonstrate opposition or to pick up supporters

ANSWERS: 156. call-out, 157. lizard, 158. arrest, 159. decoration, 160. executive, 161. wary, 162. picket

163. dis\_\_\_\_\_nce to authority *n.* the act of refusing or failing to follow orders or rules
164. an ou\_\_\_\_t for water *n.* a means of release or expression, often for emotions or energy; a place of business that sells goods directly to customers; a device or opening through which something can flow out
165. ce\_\_\_\_\_e resolution *n.* strong criticism or disapproval; an official expression of disapproval or rebuke; (verb) to criticize or express disapproval of someone or something in a formal or official way
166. de\_\_\_\_\_st mood *n.* a person who expects not to succeed without offering positive suggestions
167. PhD ca\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
168. de\_\_\_\_\_ze opponent *v.* to portray or represent someone or something as evil or wicked, often to create fear or hostility towards them
169. re\_\_\_\_t content *v.* to remove words or information from a document for publication; (noun) a person who puts text into appropriate form for publication
170. con\_\_\_\_\_ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
171. for in\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

ANSWERS: 163. disobedience, 164. outlet, 165. censure, 166. defeatist, 167. candidate, 168. demonize, 169. redact, 170. conversation, 171. instance

172. variety of de\_\_\_\_\_us foods *adj.* exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell
173. pu\_\_\_\_\_d by the question *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
174. remove lo\_\_e hair *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
175. severe cr\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
176. ab\_\_y church *n.* a monastery or convent, especially for monks or nuns
177. st\_\_\_e hard to get *v.* to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something
178. the spinal co\_\_\_n *n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument
179. dis\_\_\_\_\_ct for a customer *n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
180. a w\_\_y statesman *adj.* cautious or distrustful, especially because of a previous bad experience
181. art cr\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
182. ar\_\_\_t the thief *v.* to take into custody
183. the e\_a of the Renaissance *n.* a period that is distinct from others, typically in history
184. death-penalty op\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a person against whom you are playing or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc.

ANSWERS: 172. delicious, 173. puzzled, 174. loose, 175. critic, 176. abbey, 177. strive, 178. column, 179. disrespect, 180. wary, 181. critic, 182. arrest, 183. era, 184. opponent

185. an of \_\_\_\_\_ve smell *adj.* rude in a way that causes someone to feel anger, annoyance, or resentment; for the purpose of attack rather than defense
186. pat \_\_\_\_\_cal liar *adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy
187. ind \_\_\_\_\_al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
188. sales rep \_\_\_\_\_ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
189. te \_\_\_\_\_as canister *n.* a chemical irritant that causes temporary blindness, coughing, and irritation of the eyes, nose, mouth, and respiratory system when used in crowd control or riot situations
190. a precise def \_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
191. inc \_\_\_\_\_ry bombs *adj.* intended to cause fires, arson, or combustible materials; capable of causing a fire
192. es \_\_\_\_\_te into a major international incident *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
193. practice ci \_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* polite and courteous behavior towards other people; a formalized display of politeness, often in the form of ritualized etiquette

ANSWERS: 185. offensive, 186. pathological, 187. individual, 188. representative, 189. tear-gas, 190. definition, 191. incendiary, 192. escalate, 193. civility

194. in\_\_\_\_ng scent *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
195. civil dis\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* the act of refusing or failing to follow orders or rules
196. d\_\_n hole *v.* to mend a piece of clothing by sewing over a hole or tear with small, tight stitches
197. gain ed\_\_\_\_\_al help *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
198. ap\_\_\_l me *v.* to shock or disgust; to fill with dismay
199. pa\_\_\_\_\_al community *adj.* related to or characteristic of a small or narrow-minded community, often referring to a geographic location or mindset; having limited or narrow knowledge or experience of the world outside one's immediate surroundings
200. f\_\_x fur *adj.* not genuine; fake, or artificial; made to resemble something that it is not
201. occ\_\_\_\_\_on of a building *n.* a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession
202. inc\_\_\_\_\_ry speech *adj.* intended to cause fires, arson, or combustible materials; capable of causing a fire
203. mighty d\_n *n.* a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket
204. na\_\_\_n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

ANSWERS: 194. inviting, 195. disobedience, 196. darn, 197. editorial, 198. appall, 199. parochial, 200. faux, 201. occupation, 202. incendiary, 203. din, 204. nation



205. not_____hy achievement	<i>adj.</i> deserving of attention, interest, or acclaim; significant or remarkable
206. pa_____er estimation	<i>n.</i> a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data
207. nat_____ty certificate	<i>n.</i> the legal status or right of belonging to a particular country
208. ar__e passionately	<i>v.</i> to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
209. in___e memories	<i>v.</i> to call upon or request help or support, especially from a higher power; to mention or use something as a reason or justification for actions or decisions
210. et___c minority	<i>adj.</i> relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition
211. tactics on the bat_____ld	<i>n.</i> a place where a battle or conflict is fought
212. de_____p a skill	<i>v.</i> to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
213. economic th___t	<i>n.</i> a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

ANSWERS: 205. noteworthy, 206. parameter, 207. nationality, 208. argue, 209. invoke, 210. ethnic, 211. battlefield, 212. develop, 213. threat

214. la\_\_\_\_y mitigate the issue *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
215. bitter gr\_\_\_\_e *n.* a feeling of resentment or ill-will towards someone, often stemming from a past event or perceived wrongdoing
216. re\_\_r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
217. acquisition of nat\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the legal status or right of belonging to a particular country
218. mo\_\_l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
219. vu\_\_\_\_r language *adj.* not having sophistication or good taste; making explicit and offensive references to sex or bodily functions
220. vi\_\_\_\_\_t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
221. co\_\_\_\_e language *adj.* rough or uneven in texture; lacking refinement or sensitivity in behavior, speech, or manners
222. po\_\_\_\_e manners *adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior
223. vu\_\_\_\_r content *adj.* not having sophistication or good taste; making explicit and offensive references to sex or bodily functions
224. e\_\_t a history book *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it

ANSWERS: 214. largely, 215. grudge, 216. refer, 217. nationality, 218. moral, 219. vulgar, 220. violent, 221. coarse, 222. polite, 223. vulgar, 224. edit

225. receive a na\_\_y surprise *adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or offensive
226. bla\_\_\_\_\_th shop *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
227. ca\_\_\_\_\_te selection *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
228. b\_t an eye *n.* a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis
229. ac\_\_\_e each other *v.* to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing
230. said di\_\_o *adv.* used to indicate that the same thing mentioned previously is true again; in the same way; (noun) a symbol that means "the same as above" or "repeat," often used in lists or tables to indicate that a previous item or value should be repeated
231. ma\_\_h east *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
232. bu\_\_y the weak *n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
233. cit\_\_\_\_\_ip rights *n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
234. tr\_\_p card *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

ANSWERS: 225. nasty, 226. blacksmith, 227. candidate, 228. bat, 229. accuse, 230. ditto, 231. march, 232. bully, 233. citizenship, 234. trump

235. 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.
236. ap\_\_\_l the tourists *v.* to shock or disgust; to fill with dismay
237. make a fr\_\_k apology *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
238. pa\_\_e for a reaction *v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
239. fo\_\_\_\_\_ly remove *adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will
240. pu\_\_\_e freedoms *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
241. uncontrollable r\_\_e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
242. a li\_\_\_\_\_l arts college *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
243. establish his ki\_\_\_\_\_m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
244. pa\_\_\_\_\_er tuning *n.* a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data
245. se\_\_\_\_\_te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
246. dog le\_\_h *n.* a long, flexible cord or chain used to restrain or control a dog (or other animals); a figurative tool used to control or limit someone's behavior or actions

ANSWERS: 235. president, 236. appall, 237. frank, 238. pause, 239. forcibly, 240. pursue, 241. rage, 242. liberal, 243. kingdom, 244. parameter, 245. separate, 246. leash

247. de\_\_\_\_\_ze sugar *v.* to portray or represent someone or something as evil or wicked, often to create fear or hostility towards them
248. single et\_\_\_c group *adj.* relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition
249. 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
250. d\_n of traffic *n.* a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket
251. ec\_\_\_\_\_y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
252. hold di\_\_\_\_\_se with him *n.* any form of communication in speech or writing
253. protect the database from mi\_\_\_e *n.* the act of using something in an unsuitable way or for the wrong purpose
254. a co\_\_\_n of water *n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument
255. a prior eng\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

ANSWERS: 247. demonize, 248. ethnic, 249. democracy, 250. din, 251. economy, 252. discourse, 253. misuse, 254. column, 255. engagement

256. ap\_\_\_\_\_e her fears      *v.* to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety
257. chocolate dec\_\_\_\_\_ons for cakes      *n.* the act of adding something that is intended to make something more attractive; an award or honor that is given to someone in recognition of their achievements
258. a subordinate ki\_\_\_\_\_m      *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
259. bla\_\_\_\_\_th welding      *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
260. oscar no\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* a person who is proposed as a candidate or contender for a position, award, or honor
261. young co\_\_\_\_\_ss      *n.* the wife or widow of a count or a woman of noble rank that holds the title of countess in her own right
262. de\_\_\_\_\_p a strategy      *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
263. re\_\_\_\_\_e a hero      *v.* to feel deep and profound respect or admiration for someone or something; to hold in high esteem
264. an u\_\_y sound      *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
265. a br\_\_\_\_\_p hug      *n.* the end of a relationship between persons or nations; the separation of something into several pieces or sections

ANSWERS: 256. appease, 257. decoration, 258. kingdom, 259. blacksmith, 260. nominee, 261. countess, 262. develop, 263. revere, 264. ugly, 265. breakup

266. ha\_\_\_s with constant criticism      *v.* to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention
267. ra\_\_\_e along a road      *v.* to make or cause to make short, successive, sharp, and loud sounds
268. ba\_\_\_y industry      *n.* a place where bread and other baked goods are made and sold
269. legal co\_\_\_\_t      *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
270. pr\_\_\_\_e a better relationship      *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
271. a cow s\_\_d      *v.* to get rid of something as superfluous or unwanted; to cast off hair, skin, horn, or feathers; (noun) an outbuilding with a single story, mainly used for shelter or storage
272. fo\_\_o dessert      *v.* to give up or abstain from something; to do without something that one might be entitled to
273. tra\_\_\_\_er rights      *adj.* relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth
274. computer op\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a person against whom you are playing or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc.

ANSWERS: 266. harass, 267. rattle, 268. bakery, 269. context, 270. promote, 271. shed, 272. forgo, 273. transgender, 274. opponent

275. cast fri\_\_\_\_\_ng eyes *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
276. pa\_\_e a moment *v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
277. de\_\_\_n the reputation *v.* to lower or damage someone's dignity, honor, or reputation; to treat someone disrespectfully, often in a way that makes them feel inferior or humiliated
278. sexual ori\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a person's basic attitudes, beliefs, and preferences about particular things; a course introducing a new situation or environment
279. the def\_\_\_\_\_on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
280. bat\_\_\_\_\_ld casualties *n.* a place where a battle or conflict is fought
281. pr\_\_\_\_\_e bad behavior *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
282. notable in\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
283. co\_\_\_\_\_ss of Lonsdale *n.* the wife or widow of a count or a woman of noble rank that holds the title of countess in her own right
284. tr\_\_\_\_\_r inflation *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
285. u\_\_y building *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at

ANSWERS: 275. frightening, 276. pause, 277. demean, 278. orientation, 279. definition, 280. battlefield, 281. promote, 282. instance, 283. countess, 284. trigger, 285. ugly



286. run a ba\_\_\_y *n.* a place where bread and other baked goods are made and sold
287. de\_\_\_\_\_m violation *n.* behavior that is in keeping with good taste and propriety; polite or appropriate conduct or behavior
288. media ou\_\_\_t *n.* a means of release or expression, often for emotions or energy; a place of business that sells goods directly to customers; a device or opening through which something can flow out
289. ex\_\_\_\_\_it content *adj.* stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt
290. 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
291. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
292. dual cit\_\_\_\_\_ip *n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
293. l\_\_d of castle *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
294. fo\_\_o the luxury *v.* to give up or abstain from something; to do without something that one might be entitled to
295. the school ori\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a person's basic attitudes, beliefs, and preferences about particular things; a course introducing a new situation or environment

ANSWERS: 286. bakery, 287. decorum, 288. outlet, 289. explicit, 290. intolerant, 291. absolutely, 292. citizenship, 293. lord, 294. forgo, 295. orientation

296. under li\_\_\_\_l conditions *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
297. mean no dis\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
298. r\_\_t about the service *v.* to talk or complain in a loud, angry, or intense manner, often for an extended period of time, usually about something that one feels strongly about
299. fl\_\_\_y clouds *adj.* soft and light, often with a texture that resembles feathers or fur
300. break off an eng\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
301. co\_\_\_e texture *adj.* rough or uneven in texture; lacking refinement or sensitivity in behavior, speech, or manners
302. un\_\_\_\_\_l political climate *adj.* rude or impolite; lacking in courtesy or consideration for others; violating commonly accepted social norms or expectations
303. a na\_\_y smell *adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or offensive
304. a mailing la\_\_l *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
305. a lo\_\_e tongue *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

ANSWERS: 296. liberal, 297. disrespect, 298. rant, 299. fluffy, 300. engagement, 301. coarse, 302. uncivil, 303. nasty, 304. label, 305. loose

306. possessive pr_____n	<i>n.</i> a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it"
307. meet with opp_____on	<i>n.</i> the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
308. ready-made ph____es	<i>n.</i> a group of words that mean something specific when used together
309. disarm the b__b	<i>n.</i> a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
310. di____e money equally	<i>v.</i> to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
311. po____e tone	<i>adj.</i> showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior
312. di_____ee about a particular issue	<i>v.</i> to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
313. mo____n poetry	<i>adj.</i> of or belonging to the present time or recent times
314. ma__h against the war	<i>v.</i> to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
315. online inc_____ty	<i>n.</i> a lack of civility, courtesy, or politeness; rude or disrespectful behavior toward others
316. do_____te over the weak	<i>v.</i> to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
317. political con_____on	<i>n.</i> a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example

ANSWERS: 306. pronoun, 307. opposition, 308. phrase, 309. bomb, 310. divide, 311. polite, 312. disagree, 313. modern, 314. march, 315. incivility, 316. dominate, 317. convention

318. adm\_\_\_\_\_er justice      *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
319. fo\_\_\_\_\_ll disaster      *v.* to prevent or obstruct something from happening; to anticipate and take action to prevent or prepare for something
320. not\_\_\_\_\_hy event      *adj.* deserving of attention, interest, or acclaim; significant or remarkable
321. walk on a le\_\_h      *n.* a long, flexible cord or chain used to restrain or control a dog (or other animals); a figurative tool used to control or limit someone's behavior or actions
322. health po\_\_\_y      *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
323. ha\_\_\_s the enemy      *v.* to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention
324. linguistic xen\_\_\_\_\_ia      *n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
325. eq\_\_\_e mistakes with failure      *v.* to consider or describe one thing as similar, equal, or analogous
326. victim of sexual as\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will

ANSWERS: 318. administer, 319. forestall, 320. noteworthy, 321. leash, 322. policy, 323. harass, 324. xenophobia, 325. equate, 326. assault

327. in\_\_\_\_ng atmosphere *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
328. d\_\_n stockings *v.* to mend a piece of clothing by sewing over a hole or tear with small, tight stitches
329. a young l\_\_d *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
330. ex\_\_\_\_\_ve vice president *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
331. b\_t cave *n.* a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis
332. tr\_\_\_\_\_r a biochemical response *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
333. non\_\_\_\_\_ce movement *n.* the use of peaceful means, such as civil disobedience or passive resistance, rather than violence to achieve a goal, especially in the context of political or social change

ANSWERS: 327. inviting, 328. darn, 329. lord, 330. executive, 331. bat, 332. trigger, 333. nonviolence

334. ch\_\_\_\_se behavior *v.* to criticize or reprimand severely; to discipline or punish for wrongdoing or mistake
335. atomic b\_\_bs *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
336. presidential no\_\_\_\_e *n.* a person who is proposed as a candidate or contender for a position, award, or honor
337. reduce my ca\_\_\_\_e intake *n.* unit of heat defined as the quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of 1 gram of water by 1 degree Celsius at atmospheric pressure, used by nutritionists to measure how much energy food will produce
338. fr\_\_k and open discussion *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
339. the most am\_\_\_\_g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
340. id\_\_\_\_ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
341. ra\_\_\_\_l prejudice *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
342. to es\_\_\_\_te *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

ANSWERS: 334. chastise, 335. bomb, 336. nominee, 337. calorie, 338. frank, 339. amazing, 340. identity, 341. racial, 342. escalate

343. en\_\_\_e a new employee      *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
344. become ob\_\_\_\_te      *adj.* no longer in use or helpful because something newer or better has been invented and introduced
345. taxi c\_b      *n.* a taxi or other vehicle that can be hired for transportation; the compartment from which a vehicle, such as a train or truck, is driven
346. lazy s\_\_g      *n.* a common name for any terrestrial gastropod mollusk that appears to lack a shell with soft and black or brown color; a bullet, a shot of alcoholic drink
347. phi\_\_\_\_hy of education      *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
348. g\_\_u meditation      *n.* a spiritual teacher or leader, notably in Hindu and Sikh traditions; a person who has knowledge and expertise in a particular area

ANSWERS: 343. engage, 344. obsolete, 345. cab, 346. slug, 347. philosophy, 348. guru

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.  
*n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
  
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ truth was that he had been lying to her for months.  
*adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
  
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the bathroom was faulty, so I had to use a different one for my hair dryer.  
*n.* a means of release or expression, often for emotions or energy; a place of business that sells goods directly to customers; a device or opening through which something can flow out
  
4. There will be an \_\_\_\_\_ lecture for new students this afternoon.  
*n.* a person's basic attitudes, beliefs, and preferences about particular things; a course introducing a new situation or environment
  
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ pleasure of life is the conviction that we are loved.  
*adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
  
6. Please \_\_\_\_\_ to the instruction manual for further assistance.  
*v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
  
7. We must \_\_\_\_\_ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.  
*v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 1. blacksmith, 2. ugly, 3. outlet, 4. orientation, 5. supreme, 6. refer, 7. develop



8. The situation quickly \_\_\_\_\_ and turned violent.

*v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

9. This ad campaign is aimed \_\_\_\_\_ at young women.

*adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing

10. They selected a gorgeous diamond \_\_\_\_\_ ring.

*n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

11. The perspective of his right brain \_\_\_\_\_ his consciousness.

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

12. It isn't very reasonable to \_\_\_\_\_ money with happiness.

*v.* to consider or describe one thing as similar, equal, or analogous

13. The \_\_\_\_\_ at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

*n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

14. We had to \_\_\_\_\_ our outdoor picnic because of the sudden rain.

*v.* to give up or abstain from something; to do without something that one might be entitled to

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

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

16. She was \_\_\_\_\_ of meeting new people because of past experiences.

*adj.* cautious or distrustful, especially because of a previous bad experience

ANSWERS: 8. escalated, 9. specifically, 10. engagement, 11. dominates, 12. equate, 13. incident, 14. forgo, 15. frank, 16. wary

17. 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.

18. I am \_\_\_\_\_ opposed to his idea because of morality.

*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

19. 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

20. The witness \_\_\_\_\_ the defendant of committing the robbery.

*v.* to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing

21. The politician's remarks about same-sex marriage revealed his deep-seated \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

22. Many multinational companies are \_\_\_\_\_ in the reconstruction of that country.

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

23. The \_\_\_\_\_ attitude of the small town made it difficult for outsiders to feel welcome.

*adj.* related to or characteristic of a small or narrow-minded community, often referring to a geographic location or mindset; having limited or narrow knowledge or experience of the world outside one's immediate surroundings

ANSWERS: 17. president, 18. absolutely, 19. intolerant, 20. accused, 21. homophobia, 22. engaged, 23. parochial

24. Ethics deals with \_\_\_\_\_ conduct.

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

25. Her \_\_\_\_\_ application was denied due to a technical error.

*n.* the status of being a member of a particular country

26. The cave was a habitat for \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis

27. The \_\_\_\_\_ impeccable manners and elegant dress made her the talk of the ball.

*n.* the wife or widow of a count or a woman of noble rank that holds the title of countess in her own right

28. A police officer has the authority to \_\_\_\_\_ a criminal.

*v.* to take into custody

29. The farmer built a \_\_\_\_\_ fence around his garden to keep the animals out.

*n.* a pointed wooden or metal stake driven into the ground used as a support or for marking an area or boundary; a group of people, typically strikers or protestors, stationed or moving around in front of a workplace, government building, or other location, to demonstrate opposition or to pick up supporters

30. His \_\_\_\_\_ behavior towards his elders earned him a stern warning from his parents.

*n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something

31. The police stopped the suspicious person and asked him to give his name, address, and \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession

ANSWERS: 24. moral, 25. citizenship, 26. bats, 27. countess's, 28. arrest, 29. picket, 30. disrespectful, 31. occupation

32. The news of the massacre \_\_\_\_\_ the entire nation.  
*v.* to shock or disgust; to fill with dismay
33. The man \_\_\_\_\_ before opening the door.  
*v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
34. It would be best if you burned off \_\_\_\_\_ through vigorous exercise.  
*n.* unit of heat defined as the quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of 1 gram of water by 1 degree Celsius at atmospheric pressure, used by nutritionists to measure how much energy food will produce
35. Her \_\_\_\_\_ behavior at the meeting caused much tension among the group.  
*adj.* rude or impolite; lacking in courtesy or consideration for others; violating commonly accepted social norms or expectations
36. The third \_\_\_\_\_ was far more successful.  
*n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
37. We got caught up in an \_\_\_\_\_ case.  
*n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will
38. The newspaper published an \_\_\_\_\_ on the current state of the economy.  
*adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
39. The \_\_\_\_ of the city was overwhelming.  
*n.* a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket
40. The artist's latest work received \_\_\_\_\_ critical acclaim.  
*adj.* deserving of attention, interest, or acclaim; significant or remarkable

ANSWERS: 32. appalled, 33. paused, 34. calories, 35. uncivil, 36. attempt, 37. assault, 38. editorial, 39. din, 40. noteworthy

41. I had a cup of coffee and a \_\_\_\_\_ for breakfast this morning.
- n.* a crescent-shaped pastry made of laminated dough and often filled with cheese, chocolate, or other ingredients; a popular breakfast pastry in France and other countries
42. \_\_\_\_\_ 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
43. Parallel lines are, by \_\_\_\_\_ lines on the same plane that never cross.
- n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
44. The \_\_\_\_\_ march was a peaceful protest demanding voting rights for women.
- n.* the right to vote in political elections; the exercise of voting rights or the process of obtaining them
45. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
- v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
46. She was \_\_\_\_\_ by the strange behavior of her cat.
- adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
47. I hailed a \_\_\_ to take me to the airport.
- n.* a taxi or other vehicle that can be hired for transportation; the compartment from which a vehicle, such as a train or truck, is driven
48. The vast earthquake caused the house to \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to make or cause to make short, successive, sharp, and loud sounds

ANSWERS: 41. croissant, 42. Democracy, 43. definition, 44. suffrage, 45. separate, 46. puzzled, 47. cab, 48. rattle

49. Can you \_\_\_\_\_ 123321 by eleven?

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

50. A culture of \_\_\_\_\_ promotes respectful discourse and constructive conflict resolution.

*n.* polite and courteous behavior towards other people; a formalized display of politeness, often in the form of ritualized etiquette

51. The weather turned \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or offensive

52. Nevada is \_\_\_\_\_ a desert state.

*adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree

53. New technology has rendered my old smartphone \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* no longer in use or helpful because something newer or better has been invented and introduced

54. Many \_\_\_\_\_ individuals face discrimination and marginalization in society.

*adj.* relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth

55. He got over the big \_\_\_\_\_ with his wife.

*n.* the end of a relationship between persons or nations; the separation of something into several pieces or sections

56. It's important to be \_\_\_\_\_ even when you disagree with someone.

*adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior

ANSWERS: 49. divide, 50. civility, 51. nasty, 52. largely, 53. obsolete, 54. transgender, 55. breakup, 56. polite

57. She was constantly \_\_\_\_\_ by her ex-boyfriend and had to get a restraining order.
- v.* to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention
58. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
- n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
59. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
60. Each \_\_\_\_\_ group has its unique rituals.
- adj.* relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition
61. The \_\_\_\_\_ for the upcoming election vows to make positive changes in their community.
- n.* a person who is proposed as a candidate or contender for a position, award, or honor
62. The protesters became \_\_\_\_\_ when the police tried to disperse them.
- adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
63. He wandered the \_\_\_\_\_ between life and death by gunfire.
- n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

ANSWERS: 57. harassed, 58. economy, 59. brain, 60. ethnic, 61. nominee, 62. violent, 63. boundary

64. She intends to \_\_\_\_\_ a political career.

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

65. She was embarrassed to realize her designer handbag was a \_\_\_\_\_ leather knockoff.

- adj.* not genuine; fake, or artificial; made to resemble something that it is not

66. The temperature range was one of the critical \_\_\_\_\_ we had to consider when designing the experiment.

- n.* a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data

67. Your \_\_\_\_\_ reflects your thoughts.

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

68. We bought a Spanish \_\_\_\_\_ book.

- n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together

69. In medical \_\_\_\_\_ a heart attack is a myocardial infarction.

- n.* the way in which a particular group or community uses language; the specific terms, expressions, and jargon used by people in a particular field, profession, or social group

70. Sweet \_\_\_\_\_ makes short days and nights.

- n.* any form of communication in speech or writing

71. The newspaper devoted several \_\_\_\_\_ to the affair.

- n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument

ANSWERS: 64. pursue, 65. faux, 66. parameters, 67. conversation, 68. phrase, 69. parlance, 70. discourse, 71. columns



72. The room was filled with beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ for the wedding reception.  
*n.* the act of adding something that is intended to make something more attractive; an award or honor that is given to someone in recognition of their achievements
73. This system \_\_\_\_\_ personal information when the data is made public.  
*v.* to remove words or information from a document for publication; (noun) a person who puts text into appropriate form for publication
74. He left the party in \_\_\_\_\_ at its radical political stance.  
*n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
75. The arsonist used an \_\_\_\_\_ device to start the fire.  
*adj.* intended to cause fires, arson, or combustible materials; capable of causing a fire
76. The general reviewed the plans for the upcoming battle on the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a place where a battle or conflict is fought
77. She was filled with a burning \_\_\_\_\_ at the injustice she had witnessed.  
*n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
78. After the accident, three governmental bodies \_\_\_\_\_ the company.  
*v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
79. The incident \_\_\_\_\_ a political controversy.  
*v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

ANSWERS: 72. decorations, 73. redacts, 74. protest, 75. incendiary, 76. battlefield, 77. rage, 78. administer, 79. triggered

80. \_\_\_\_ operational improvements often lead to better environmental performance.  
*adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
81. Drug \_\_\_\_\_ is associated with mental health disorders.  
*n.* the act of using something in an unsuitable way or for the wrong purpose
82. Our team has to overcome a \_\_\_\_\_ mentality.  
*n.* a person who expects not to succeed without offering positive suggestions
83. I loved the first book in the series, so I'm hoping the second one will be just as good - \_\_\_\_ for the third.  
*adv.* used to indicate that the same thing mentioned previously is true again; in the same way; (noun) a symbol that means "the same as above" or "repeat," often used in lists or tables to indicate that a previous item or value should be repeated
84. The wedding reception had an air of \_\_\_\_\_ and elegance.  
*n.* behavior that is in keeping with good taste and propriety; polite or appropriate conduct or behavior
85. The coach \_\_\_\_\_ the players for not giving their best effort during the game.  
*v.* to criticize or reprimand severely; to discipline or punish for wrongdoing or mistake
86. The athlete received a \_\_\_\_\_ from her coaches for violating team rules.  
*n.* strong criticism or disapproval; an official expression of disapproval or rebuke; (verb) to criticize or express disapproval of someone or something in a formal or official way

ANSWERS: 80. Lean, 81. misuse, 82. defeatist, 83. ditto, 84. decorum, 85. chastised, 86. censure

87. The \_\_\_\_\_ tail regenerates if severed.

*n.* a reptile that has a relatively long body, two pairs of legs, and a tapering tail

88. The doctor was concerned that the patient's \_\_\_\_\_ fear of germs impacted their daily life.

*adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy

89. She was offended by his \_\_\_\_\_ gesture.

*adj.* not having sophistication or good taste; making explicit and offensive references to sex or bodily functions

90. The CEO's speech was met with a \_\_\_\_\_ from the dissatisfied employees.

*n.* a public challenge or dare to someone, often delivered with hostility or aggression; the act of publicly criticizing, condemning, or denouncing someone or something; a request for help or support, often in a crisis or emergency

91. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the soldiers resulted in a court martial.

*n.* the act of refusing or failing to follow orders or rules

92. This space is a private office \_\_\_\_\_ to the President

*adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

93. Some politicians try to \_\_\_\_\_ certain groups of people to gain political advantage.

*v.* to portray or represent someone or something as evil or wicked, often to create fear or hostility towards them

94. These articles cite five \_\_\_\_\_ of climate change.

*n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

ANSWERS: 87. lizard's, 88. pathological, 89. vulgar, 90. call-out, 91. disobedience, 92. sacred, 93. demonize, 94. instances

95. The government should do more to \_\_\_\_\_ sustainable agribusiness.
- v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
96. The Christmas tree was beautifully decorated with delicate \_\_\_\_\_ ornaments.
- n.* a small, thin, delicate piece of snow; a person, especially a young person, who is perceived as overly sensitive, easily offended, or with an inflated sense of entitlement
97. In English, personal \_\_\_\_\_ such as "he," "she," and "they" can replace a person's name to avoid repetition.
- n.* a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it"
98. The kitchen knife had a \_\_\_\_\_ edge, making cutting through the tough steak difficult.
- adj.* rough or uneven in texture; lacking refinement or sensitivity in behavior, speech, or manners
99. She was \_\_\_\_\_ in a car accident.
- adj.* having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do
100. The feudal \_\_\_\_\_ had ruled the land for many years.
- n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
101. Ethics is a branch of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

ANSWERS: 95. promote, 96. snowflake, 97. pronouns, 98. coarse, 99. disabled, 100. lord, 101. philosophy

102. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.  
*n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
103. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.  
*n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
104. Many people \_\_\_\_\_ their religious leaders and look up to them for guidance.  
*v.* to feel deep and profound respect or admiration for someone or something; to hold in high esteem
105. \_\_\_\_\_ the text from Italian into English.  
*v.* to convert or change words into another language
106. Make sure to put the \_\_\_\_\_ on your dog before walking.  
*n.* a long, flexible cord or chain used to restrain or control a dog (or other animals); a figurative tool used to control or limit someone's behavior or actions
107. The schoolyard \_\_\_\_\_ terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.  
*n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
108. The movie had an \_\_\_\_\_ sex scene that some viewers might find offensive.  
*adj.* stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt
109. 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

ANSWERS: 102. label, 103. nation, 104. revere, 105. Translate, 106. leash, 107. bully, 108. explicit, 109. trump

110. The \_\_\_\_\_ aroma of freshly baked bread drew me into the bakery.

*adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate

111. They \_\_\_\_\_ to make their dream come true.

*v.* to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something

112. He was attempting to confuse his \_\_\_\_\_.

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

113. The manager tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the angry customer by offering them a refund.

*v.* to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety

114. I have to \_\_\_\_\_ these socks before they become unwearable.

*v.* to mend a piece of clothing by sewing over a hole or tear with small, tight stitches

115. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Nations is an association of 54 countries, mostly former territories of the British Empire.

*n.* a community of nations or people or a state in which the people hold the supreme power

116. The police officer \_\_\_\_\_ removed the protesters from the public park.

*adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

117. The chef's specialty is a savory \_\_\_\_\_ with spinach and feta cheese.

*n.* a baked food made of flour, fat, water, and sometimes eggs, sugar, and other ingredients, used as a base or casing for sweet or savory dishes

ANSWERS: 110. inviting, 111. strived, 112. opponent, 113. appease, 114. darn, 115. Commonwealth, 116. forcibly, 117. pastry

118. The news of the pandemic was a \_\_\_\_\_ reminder of the fragility of human health.

*adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming

119. He worked at the \_\_\_\_\_ as a baker.

*n.* a place where bread and other baked goods are made and sold

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

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

121. Dual \_\_\_\_\_ is prohibited in specific nations but not in others.

*n.* the legal status or right of belonging to a particular country

122. Their headquarters are in a \_\_\_\_\_ skyscraper.

*adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times

123. He is \_\_\_\_\_ in his thoughts.

*adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded

124. Martin Luther King Jr. was a champion of \_\_\_\_\_ in the fight for civil rights.

*n.* the use of peaceful means, such as civil disobedience or passive resistance, rather than violence to achieve a goal, especially in the context of political or social change

125. They met at biennial \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example

ANSWERS: 118. frightening, 119. bakery, 120. representatives, 121. nationality, 122. modern, 123. liberal, 124. nonviolence, 125. conventions

126. As the \_\_\_\_\_ director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.
- n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
127. It's important not to \_\_\_\_\_ two issues when analyzing a complex situation.
- v.* to blend or fuse two or more things, often with the result of creating confusion or a loss of distinction between them; to mistakenly treat two separate entities as one
128. As an \_\_\_\_\_ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
- n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
129. The company's new \_\_\_\_\_ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.
- n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
130. His \_\_\_\_\_ philosophy in business led to many hostile takeovers.
- adj.* rude in a way that causes someone to feel anger, annoyance, or resentment; for the purpose of attack rather than defense
131. The hunter quietly \_\_\_\_\_ the deer for hours before taking the shot
- v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

ANSWERS: 126. executive, 127. conflate, 128. individual, 129. policy, 130. offensive, 131. stalked



132. If necessary, you can \_\_\_\_\_ the front seats forward.

*v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

133. The \_\_\_\_\_ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

*n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

134. The antique dealer valued the piece higher due to its rich \_\_\_\_\_ and aged appearance.

*n.* a thin layer that forms on the surface of an object as a result of natural aging or exposure to environmental factors often valued for its aesthetic or historical significance

135. A minor \_\_\_\_\_ conflict later led to a civil war.

*adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

136. The golfer recorded an \_\_\_\_\_ distance.

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

137. The inspector discovered \_\_\_\_\_ bolts under the fuel rods.

*adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

138. The \_\_\_\_\_ comments made by the politician caused widespread condemnation.

*adj.* characterized by or showing discrimination or prejudice against people of other races; (noun) a person with a prejudiced belief that one racial group is superior to others

ANSWERS: 132. slide, 133. opposition, 134. patina, 135. racial, 136. amazing, 137. loose, 138. racist

139. The scientist conducted a study that provided \_\_\_\_\_ details about the species' behavior.

*adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

140. She wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ any potential issues by planning and taking proactive measures.

*v.* to prevent or obstruct something from happening; to anticipate and take action to prevent or prepare for something

141. I still hold a \_\_\_\_\_ against my former boss for treating me unfairly.

*n.* a feeling of resentment or ill-will towards someone, often stemming from a past event or perceived wrongdoing

142. By remaining neutral, this \_\_\_\_\_ continued to exist.

*n.* the country ruled by a king or queen

143. He \_\_\_\_\_ a secret tear when he heard the news of his friend's death.

*v.* to get rid of something as superfluous or unwanted; to cast off hair, skin, horn, or feathers; (noun) an outbuilding with a single story, mainly used for shelter or storage

144. The \_\_\_\_\_ in society makes it hard for immigrants to assimilate and integrate.

*n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries

145. It's important to understand the \_\_\_\_\_ of a situation before making a decision.

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

ANSWERS: 139. specific, 140. forestall, 141. grudge, 142. kingdom, 143. shed, 144. xenophobia, 145. context

146. The terrorist's \_\_\_\_\_ remains unknown.

- n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

147. The couple began to \_\_\_\_\_ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

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

148. This region has many \_\_\_\_\_ offering higher education.

- n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

149. She carried the title of \_\_\_\_\_ baroness with pride, honoring her late husband's legacy.

- n.* a widow who holds a title or property that was inherited from her deceased husband; an older woman of high social rank

150. We could grill the meat in a \_\_\_\_\_ way.

- adj.* exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell

151. The \_\_\_\_\_ instructor guided the group through the relaxation and breathing exercises.

- n.* the act of focusing one's mind on a particular object or thought; activity to train attention and achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state

152. 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

ANSWERS: 146. identity, 147. argue, 148. institutes, 149. dowager, 150. delicious, 151. meditation, 152. bombs

153. The \_\_\_\_\_ between the two politicians during the debate was disappointing.
- n.* a lack of civility, courtesy, or politeness; rude or disrespectful behavior toward others
154. He was considered a \_\_\_\_\_ in economics and consulted by many leaders.
- n.* a spiritual teacher or leader, notably in Hindu and Sikh traditions; a person who has knowledge and expertise in a particular area
155. I listened to my boss \_\_\_\_\_ about the company's latest project for an hour.
- v.* to talk or complain in a loud, angry, or intense manner, often for an extended period of time, usually about something that one feels strongly about
156. The \_\_\_\_\_ platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.
- n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
157. The venerable \_\_\_\_\_ was founded in the 12th century.
- n.* a monastery or convent, especially for monks or nuns
158. They watched the train \_\_\_\_\_ into the distance.
- v.* to cease to exist or be visible
159. I spotted a giant \_\_\_\_\_ in the rain garden.
- n.* a common name for any terrestrial gastropod mollusk that appears to lack a shell with soft and black or brown color; a bullet, a shot of alcoholic drink
160. The kitten had \_\_\_\_\_ fur that was soft to the touch.
- adj.* soft and light, often with a texture that resembles feathers or fur

ANSWERS: 153. incivility, 154. guru, 155. rant, 156. candidate's, 157. abbey, 158. disappear, 159. slug, 160. fluffy

161. The politician \_\_\_\_\_ the name of the founding fathers in his speech.
- v.* to call upon or request help or support, especially from a higher power; to mention or use something as a reason or justification for actions or decisions
162. The use of \_\_\_\_\_ has been controversial in recent protests and is often considered excessive force.
- n.* a chemical irritant that causes temporary blindness, coughing, and irritation of the eyes, nose, mouth, and respiratory system when used in crowd control or riot situations
163. The \_\_\_\_\_ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
- n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
164. Different cultures have different ways of expressing \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* polite behavior or remark that shows respect for other people
165. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
166. The river was too deep to cross, so we had to find a \_\_\_\_\_ downstream where the water was shallower.
- n.* a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across
167. The troops \_\_\_\_\_ shoulder-to-shoulder.
- v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
168. I \_\_\_\_\_ for reasons already stated above.
- v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

ANSWERS: 161. invoked, 162. tear-gas, 163. threat, 164. courtesy, 165. critics, 166. ford, 167. marched, 168. disagree

169. \_\_\_\_\_ elections were held in several European countries.

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

170. You shouldn't \_\_\_\_\_ yourself by taking on tasks beneath your skill level.

*v.* to lower or damage someone's dignity, honor, or reputation; to treat someone disrespectfully, often in a way that makes them feel inferior or humiliated

171. Political corruption was common throughout the postwar \_\_\_\_.

*n.* a period that is distinct from others, typically in history

172. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note

173. 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

174. The drama series mainly received \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something

ANSWERS: 169. Communal, 170. demean, 171. era, 172. importance, 173. edit, 174. praise