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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### exhausted

*adj.* extremely tired

*synonym* : drowsy, depleted, fatigued

(1) the **exhausted** food sources, (2) **exhausted** parents

The **exhausted** runner fell to the ground and gasped.

### 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.

### dictator

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

*synonym* : autocrat, tyrant, despot

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

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

### fist

*n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist

*synonym* : clenched hand, knuckles, mitt

(1) tight **fist**, (2) raise a **fist**

The boxer clenched his **fist** before throwing a punch.

## **huggy**

*adj.* showing a strong inclination to hug or embrace others, either for comfort or affection, often used in a playful or affectionate way

*synonym* : affectionate, cuddly, loving

(1) **huggy** teddy bear, (2) **huggy** mood

He's not a very **huggy**, so it surprised me when he reached out for a hug.

## **diaper**

*n.* a soft, absorbent piece of material worn by babies and young children around their waist and between their legs to catch urine and feces

*synonym* : napkin, nappy

(1) **diaper** bag, (2) cloth **diaper**

I need to buy a pack of **diapers** for my baby before we run out.

## **drown**

*v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater

*synonym* : douse, drench, overwhelm

(1) **drown** in a bath, (2) I was **drowned** in work

Floods have the potential to **drown** any subsurface animals easily.

## **headline**

*n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

*synonym* : title, caption

(1) **headline** article, (2) banner **headline**

The engagement of the two golf players became **headline** news.

## **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.

## consistent

*adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

*synonym* : coherent, constant, compatible

(1) do on a **consistent** basis, (2) get **consistent** results

You are not **consistent** in your behavior.

## decline

*v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

*synonym* : descend, drop, deny

(1) **decline** a job offer, (2) **decline** in quality

As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually **declines**.

## fertility

*n.* the state or quality of being able to produce babies, young animals, fruit, or new plants

*synonym* : richness, pregnancy, productivity

(1) soil **fertility**, (2) **fertility** above replacement

The sperm count is used as an indicator of male **fertility**.

## halve

*v.* to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size

*synonym* : reduce by half, cut in half, split

(1) **halve** the price, (2) **halve** the workload

I need to **halve** the recipe to make just enough for two people.

## climate

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

*synonym* : atmosphere, weather, environment

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

**Climate** and weather have an impact on every part of our

lifestyles.

## overpopulation

*n.* a situation in which the number of people or living organisms in a particular area or environment exceeds the carrying capacity or resources of that area or environment

*synonym*: population explosion, demographic burden, overcrowding

(1) **overpopulation** problem, (2) **overpopulation** crisis  
Many animal species are at risk of extinction due to human **overpopulation** and habitat destruction.

## orphan

*n.* a child whose parents are dead or have abandoned them

*synonym*: waif, stray, fatherless child

(1) **orphan** care, (2) asylum for **orphan** children  
The little girl was a war **orphan** and lived in a group home.

## ginormous

*adj.* (combination of "gigantic" and "enormous") extremely large

*synonym*: huge, gigantic, mammoth

(1) **ginormous** elephant, (2) **ginormous** skyscraper  
The construction site was filled with **ginormous** pieces of heavy machinery.

## carbon

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

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

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

## footprint

*n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

*synonym*: footmark, imprint, impression

(1) **footprints** in the snow, (2) the **footprints** of an earlier civilization

We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon **footprint**.

## destroy

*v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

*synonym* : demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

## planet

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

*synonym* : earth, world, globe

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

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

## chaos

*n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control

*synonym* : disorder, turmoil, confusion

(1) **chaos** theory, (2) midst of **chaos**

The conference room was in **chaos** as everyone tried to speak at once.

## skeptical

*adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful

*synonym* : doubtful, distrustful, suspicious

(1) a **skeptical** attitude, (2) **skeptical** scientists

His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly **skeptical**.

## defeat

*v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt

*synonym* : conquer, beat, overpower

(1) **defeat** a global power, (2) **defeat** body odor

Despite his best efforts, he was unable to **defeat** the enemy.

## husk

*n.* the dry, outer covering of a seed, grain, or fruit, such as the shell of a nut or the skin of a corn kernel

*synonym* : shell, covering, outer layer

(1) **husk** removal, (2) seed **husk**

The **husk** of the coconut was removed to reveal the fruit inside.

## odyssey

*n.* a long wandering and eventful journey; a Greek epic poem attributed to Homer, describing the journey of Odysseus after the fall of Troy

(1) go on a serious **odyssey**, (2) cross-country **odyssey**

He continued the extraordinary **odyssey** with his brother.

## convenient

*adj.* useful, helpful, or quick to do

*synonym*: timely, fortunate, suitable

(1) **convenient** way, (2) **convenient** location

The airport offers five **convenient** access routes.

## mileage

*n.* the number of miles traveled by a particular vehicle or machine; in a more general sense, the usefulness or practical value of something based on the amount of effort or resources expended

*synonym*: distance, usefulness, serviceability

(1) **mileage** reimbursement, (2) high **mileage** vehicle

The hybrid car offers better gas **mileage** than the traditional car.

## dire

*adj.* extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous

*synonym*: serious, critical, desperate

(1) suffer **dire** poverty, (2) **dire** situation

The **dire** economic straits called for immediate action.

## 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.

## acknowledge

*v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation,

thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

*synonym* : accept, agree, declare

(1) **acknowledge** the deed, (2) **acknowledge** his help  
He never **acknowledged** his fault.

## profoundly

*adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply

*synonym* : deeply, greatly, completely

(1) **profoundly** insightful, (2) sleep **profoundly**

The novel affected her **profoundly**, causing her to question her beliefs and values.

## examine

*v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them

*synonym* : study, probe, analyze

(1) **examine** the data studiously, (2) **examine** the issue  
Initially, we must **examine** all project-related expenses.

## flip

*v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion

*synonym* : throw, jump

(1) **flip** over the pork chop, (2) **flip** a coin

He **flipped** when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.

## accord

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

*synonym* : alliance, pact, agreement

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

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

## organization

*n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose

*synonym* : association, institution, community

(1) **organization** chart, (2) agricultural **organization**

She is the president of a large international **organization**.

## replace

v. to take the place of something

*synonym*: substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone  
Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

## population

n. the total number of people in a country, region, or location

*synonym*: people, inhabitants, folk

(1) **population** change, (2) labor **population**

In just four years, the **population** has doubled.

## dip

v. to put something into a liquid for a short time and take it out again

*synonym*: dunk, dive, plunge

(1) **dip** a pen in ink, (2) **dip** a chip in the sauce

Please **dip** up a bucketful of water from the well.

## domino

n. a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events

*synonym*: tile, block, ivory

(1) **domino** chain, (2) **domino** effect

We knocked over a stack of **dominoes** and watched them fall one by one.

## shrink

v. to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount

*synonym*: decrease, diminish, shy away

(1) **shrink** the tumor, (2) **shrink** with fear

This shirt will **shrink** in the wash.

## labor

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

*synonym*: toil, toil, donkeywork

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



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

## 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.

## statistics

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

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

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

## revenue

*n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business

*synonym*: earnings, payment, remuneration

(1) tax **revenue**, (2) annual **revenue**

This graph indicates the city's tourism **revenue** over five years.

## pension

*n.* a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working

*synonym*: allowance, annuity, grant

(1) a disability **pension**, (2) public **pension** funds

Because of the country's poor economic prospects, the number of **pension** defaulters has been increasing.

## intentional

*adj.* done, made or performed with purpose and intent

*synonym*: deliberate, intended, preplanned

(1) **intentional** destruction of evidence, (2) an **intentional** walk

The law distinguishes between accidental and **intentional** killing.

## discotheque

*n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance

*synonym*: nightclub, dance club, disco

(1) **discotheque** party, (2) **discotheque** scene

He couldn't wait to hit the **discotheque** and dance the night away.

## empire

*n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

*synonym*: imperium, conglomerate, kingdom

(1) **empire** building, (2) **empire** of the Maya

He has built a thriving e-commerce **empire**.

## decide

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

*synonym*: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

## implement

*v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect

*synonym*: execute, enforce, put through

(1) **implement** a corporate strategy, (2) **implement** security measures

The government promised to **implement** a new system to control the financial crisis.

## 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.

## 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.

## old-fashioned

*adj.* of or relating to a time in the past; not modern

*synonym* : antiquated, ancient, outdated

(1) an **old-fashioned** person, (2) **old-fashioned** in appearance

My father is **old-fashioned** in his thinking.

## propaganda

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

*synonym* : disinformation, misinformation, publicity

(1) **propaganda** campaign, (2) self-serving **propaganda**

The government used **propaganda** pictures to spread its message of national unity.

## fast-forward

*v.* to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording

*synonym* : advance, hasten, speed up

(1) **fast-forward** 10 seconds, (2) **fast-forward** to the good part

I like to **fast-forward** through commercials when watching TV shows.

## trend

*n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing

*synonym* : direction, movement, tendency

(1) an international **trend**, (2) the **trend** away from television

The oil price continued their downward **trend**.

## peak

*n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain

*synonym* : summit, vertex, apex

(1) at **peak** hour, (2) the **peak** current in the circuit

This measurement aims to reduce traffic at **peak** periods.

## unstoppable

*adj.* impossible to stop or prevent

*synonym* : unshakable, unyielding, relentless

(1) **unstoppable** force, (2) **unstoppable** momentum

The team's winning streak was **unstoppable**.

## government

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

*synonym* : administration, regime, state

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

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

## freak

*n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected

*synonym* : anomaly, deviation, oddity

(1) a rock **freak**, (2) **freak** weather

The **freak** accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.

## beg

*v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something

*synonym* : plead, implore, entreat

(1) **beg** the question, (2) **beg** for help

She **begged** her parents to let her go to the concert.

## hop

*v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

*synonym* : jump, bounce, skip

(1) **hop** on one foot, (2) **hop** from one place to another

The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.

## beloved

*adj.* loved very much

*synonym* : adored, cherished, dear

(1) **beloved** author, (2) **beloved** by many people

I am here to save my **beloved**.

## infant

*n.* a baby or very young child

*synonym* : baby, newborn, tot

(1) **infant** daughter, (2) **infant** food

Mozart was an **infant** prodigy.

## straight

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

*synonym* : linear, honest, consecutive

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

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

## immigrant

*n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently

*synonym* : settler, expatriate, emigrant

(1) **immigrant** communities, (2) an **immigrant** from the country

Police received a report of illegal **immigrants** in the area.

## safety-net

*n.* a precautionary measure intended to provide support or assistance to individuals or groups who are in danger of falling into poverty, hardship, or other negative outcomes

*synonym* : fallback, cushion, backup

(1) **safety-net** program, (2) **safety-net** policy

The government provides a **safety-net** for those who are struggling financially.

## introductory

*adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point

*synonym* : beginning, preliminary, initial

(1) **introductory** biology text, (2) product **introductory** sale  
The **introductory** class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.

## incentive

*n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

*synonym*: encouragement, inducement, enticement

(1) financial **incentives**, (2) an **incentive** to work hard  
They have no **incentive** to win the game.

## addition

*n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

*synonym*: accumulation, expansion, addendum

(1) chemical **addition**, (2) **addition** of vectors

In **addition**, private corporations provide healthcare services.

## traction

*n.* the action or ability to pull something along a surface without sliding

*synonym*: pulling, friction, suction

(1) increase **traction** on ice, (2) electronic **traction**

His leg was in **traction** for weeks after the accident.

## tack

*n.* a method of changing the course of a sailing vessel by turning the bow through the wind so that the wind switches from one side of the vessel to the other; a course of action or strategy, particularly in politics or business; (verb) to fasten or attach something, such as pinning or nailing an object in place

*synonym*: course, direction, approach

(1) change **tack**, (2) **tack** to the refrigerator door

I need to change the **tack** of the sailboat to avoid hitting the rocks.

## shocking

*adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust

*synonym*: startling, surprising, astounding

(1) **shocking** response, (2) **shocking** revelation

The news of the accident was **shocking** and left many in shock.

## sham

*n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

*synonym* : bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**

The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

## rousing

*adj.* exciting, stimulating, or inspiring; causing a strong emotional or physical response; arousing enthusiasm or interest

*synonym* : exciting, stirring, invigorating

(1) **rousing** music, (2) **rousing** business

The **rousing** speech by the coach pumped up the team before the big game.

## aphrodisiac

*n.* a substance that is believed to enhance sexual desire or performance

*synonym* : love potion, sex stimulant

(1) powerful **aphrodisiac**, (2) herbal **aphrodisiac**

Oysters are believed to be a natural **aphrodisiac**, encouraging sexual desire.

## continent

*n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

*synonym* : landmass, (adjective) chaste, (adjective) pure

(1) the inland of a **continent**, (2) **continent** urinary diversion

Flight across the **continent** was a daring adventure in its day.

## 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.

## pronounce

v. to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way

*synonym*: articulate, enunciate, voice

(1) **pronounce** a judgment, (2) **pronounce** a name

She struggled to **pronounce** the word in a foreign language.

## hover

v. to stay in one place in the air

*synonym*: hang, float over, drift

(1) **hover** between life and death, (2) **hover** around the table

Two birds were **hovering** overhead.

## prime

*adj.* main or most important; basic

*synonym*: excellent, exceptional, premium

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

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

## minister

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

*synonym*: bishop, official, ambassador

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

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

## propose

v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

*synonym*: suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes

I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

## incentivize

v. to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward

*synonym*: encourage, motivate

(1) **incentivize** carpooling, (2) **incentivize** the right behavior

Governments **incentivize** their citizens to buy eco-friendly products through subsidies.



## proposal

*n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one  
*synonym* : offer, suggestion, proposition

(1) an innovative **proposal**, (2) details of his **proposal**

Our skeleton outline of the **proposal** met with much opposition.

## opportune

*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

*synonym* : suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

## fridge

*n.* a piece of electrical equipment in which food can be stored at low temperatures so that it stays fresh

*synonym* : refrigerator

(1) **fridge** magnet, (2) fill the **fridge**

She left the **fridge** door open inadvertently.

## pump

*v.* to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities

*synonym* : drain, inject, send

(1) **pump** a secret out of success, (2) **pump** blood throughout the body

He was alert and could not **pump** any critical information out of him.

## brake

*n.* a device used to slow or stop a moving vehicle, typically by applying pressure to the wheels

*synonym* : damper, restraint, check

(1) apply the **brake**, (2) **brake** pedal

The results of that election put a **brake** on political reform.

## primarily

*adv.* mainly

*synonym* : largely, mainly, mostly

(1) intended **primarily** for young people, (2) **primarily** affect

adults

All peaceful cooperation is based **primarily** on mutual trust.

## tradition

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

*synonym*: custom, practice, ritual

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

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

## subtle

*adj.* not readily apparent or visible

*synonym*: slight, nuanced, exquisite

(1) **subtle** changes, (2) a **subtle** poison

A famous artist painted the room in a **subtle** pink hue.

## unfortunately

*adv.* by bad luck; unluckily

*synonym*: regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

## euro

*n.* the official currency of most European Union countries

(1) the value of the **Euro**, (2) **Euro** crises

Some countries may leave the **Euro**.

## replenish

*v.* to fill something that had previously been emptied

*synonym*: refill, reload, restock

(1) **replenish** a reserve fund, (2) **replenish** my spirit

Please **replenish** my glass with some more wine.

## immigration

*n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country

*synonym*: migration, settlement, emigration

(1) **immigration** control, (2) **immigration** application

The **immigration** policy in this country is stringent, making it difficult for many people to obtain a visa.

## demographic

*n.* a statistic characterizing that describes people or groups of people based on their age, sex, income, etc.

(1) **demographic** analyses, (2) **demographic** policy

Several **demographic** indicators correlate with care admission.

## karma

*n.* a concept that originated in Hinduism and Buddhism and referred to the idea that a person's actions in the present moment will affect their future experiences and circumstances

*synonym*: destiny, fate, providence

(1) bad **karma**, (2) **karma** yoga

Some people believe that if you do good deeds, you will accumulate positive **karma** that will benefit you in the future.

## educated

*adj.* having received a high standard of education

*synonym*: knowledgeable, erudite, enlightened

(1) **educated** adult, (2) **educated** speech

Excellent speech is a characteristic of an **educated** man.

## applaud

*v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands

*synonym*: clap, celebrate, praise

(1) **applaud** his courage, (2) **applaud** the orchestra

I enthusiastically **applaud** my rival's achievement.

## fantastic

*adj.* extremely good; excellent

*synonym*: incredible, unbelievable, marvelous

(1) a **fantastic** dress, (2) absolutely **fantastic** event

The new amusement park ride was **fantastic**, with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.

## magic

*n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes

supernatural powers

*synonym* : fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

## reproductive

*adj.* connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants

*synonym* : procreative, generative

(1) **reproductive** ability, (2) during **reproductive** period

This documentary deals with the **reproductive** biology of the buffalo.

## opt

*v.* to make a choice from a range of possibilities

*synonym* : choose, select, pick

(1) **opt** out of society, (2) **opt** for a traditional wedding

I decided to **opt** for premature retirement.

## cite

*v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened

*synonym* : quote, mention, note

(1) **cite** various authorities, (2) **cite** a fact as evidence

The devil can **cite** Scripture for his purpose.

## motherland

*n.* a term used to refer to one's country of birth or origin, especially in a patriotic or emotional context; the land where one's ancestors or family originated

*synonym* : homeland, fatherland, native land

(1) **motherland** defenders, (2) songs of **motherland**

He always spoke proudly of his **motherland** during the war.

## historic

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

*synonym* : memorable, momentous, historical

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

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

## insure

*v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage  
*synonym*: protect, guard, safeguard

(1) **insure** my house against fire, (2) **insure** domestic tranquility

I will **insure** my car before I go on a road trip.

## brand

*n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

*synonym*: trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car

There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

## congratulation

*n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

*synonym*: praise, compliment, felicitation

(1) **congratulation** on a promotion, (2) a matter for **congratulation**

The **congratulations** from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.

## industrialize

*v.* to organize the production of something into an industry  
*synonym*: motorize

(1) **industrialize** service, (2) **industrialized** textile production

The nations of South East Asia will quickly **industrialize** and catch up with the West.

## employer

*n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them

*synonym*: boss, owner, company

(1) illegal **employer**, (2) **employer** responsibility

An **employer's** attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.

## childcare

*n.* a service involving care for other people's children  
*synonym* : babysitting

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

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

## mathematics

*n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

*synonym* : arithmetic, calculation, calculus

(1) a good grounding in **mathematics**, (2) **mathematics** competition

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

## souped-up

*adj.* made more powerful or improved in some way beyond the standard or original design; exaggerated or overdone

*synonym* : pimped-out, upgraded, tricked-out

(1) **souped-up** engine, (2) **souped-up** graphics card

He was pulled over for driving a **souped-up** car with an illegal exhaust system.

## bold

*adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

*synonym* : brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

## invest

*v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

*synonym* : fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

## affordable

*adj.* not expensive and able to pay

*synonym* : cheap, reasonable, inexpensive

(1) **affordable** housing, (2) **affordable** solution

The automaker has been providing **affordable** car financing options since last year.

## natal

*adj.* relating to birth or the place of one's birth; connected with the beginning or origin of something

*synonym*: birth, nativity, born

(1) **natal** chart, (2) **natal** clinic

The mother-to-be attended **natal** classes to prepare for the birth of her first child.

## workforce

*n.* all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.

*synonym*: labor pool, manpower

(1) skilled **workforce**, (2) the **workforce** is on strike

Many companies outsource and hire consultants to keep their **workforce** flexible.

## subsidize

*v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially

*synonym*: finance, endow, sponsor

(1) **subsidize** the project, (2) **subsidize** the cost

Governments **subsidize** renewable energy generation in various ways.

## maternal

*adj.* relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child

*synonym*: motherly, maternalistic, maternal-like

(1) on the **maternal** side, (2) **maternal** care

She had a very **maternal** instinct towards her newborn baby.

## terrify

*v.* to frighten someone very much

*synonym*: unnerve, scare, horrify

(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

## scared

*adj.* afraid or frightened

*synonym* : frightened, fearful, dreading

(1) **scared** all the time, (2) **scared** dog  
I'm **scared** of insects.

## warrior

*n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past

*synonym* : fighter, soldier, combatant

(1) armored **warrior**, (2) **warrior** spirit

The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary **warrior**.

## princess

*n.* the daughter of a monarch; the wife or widow of a prince; woman or girl considered to be particularly good or admirable

*synonym* : royal, noble, queen

(1) crown **princess**, (2) a Royal **Princess**

The prince fell in love with the **princess** and asked her to marry him.

## bump

*v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident

*synonym* : collide, hit, jolt

(1) **bump** against a wall, (2) **bump** up prices

She accidentally **bumped** into him in the crowded room.

## stomach

*n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach

*synonym* : belly, abdomen, gut

(1) upset **stomach**, (2) **stomach** virus

I have a **stomach** ache after overeating junk food.

## liver

*n.* a large organ in the body, involved in many metabolic processes, such as detoxification of the organism, and the synthesis of proteins

(1) **liver** disease, (2) fatty **liver**

The patient will undergo **liver** transplant surgery tomorrow.



## cancer

*n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

*synonym*: tumor, carcinoma, malignancy

(1) **cancer** diagnosis, (2) **cancer** research

Breast **cancer** is the most common type of cancer in women.

## gasp

*v.* to inhale sharply and audibly, often in response to strong emotion or sensation; to catch one's breath suddenly, often due to shock or surprise

*synonym*: breathe, pant, heave

(1) **gasp** for air, (2) **gasp** in shock

The audience **gasped** when the magician made the rabbit disappear from the hat.

## top-down

*adj.* controlled or implemented from the highest level of authority or management

*synonym*: centralized, hierarchical

(1) **top-down** management, (2) **top-down** approach

The **top-down** management approach could have been more effective in implementing organizational changes.

## behalf

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

*synonym*: benefit, advantage, favor

(1) on **behalf** of our management, (2) on his own **behalf**

I gave witness on her **behalf**.

## decent

*adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense

*synonym*: respectable, honorable, good

(1) yearn for the **decent** living, (2) a **decent** education

He earned a **decent** salary at his job.

## conclude

*v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

*synonym*: complete, finish, decide

(1) **conclude** a meeting, (2) **conclude** that he is healthy

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

## regret

*v.* to feel sad, repentant, or disappointed over something you have done or something you have not been able to do

*synonym* : apologize, deplore, lament

(1) **regret** a decision, (2) **regret** being so careless

I **regret** to say that you did not gain admission to the university.

## decision

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

*synonym* : choice, determination, judgment

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

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

## represent

*v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

*synonym* : depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

## infinite

*adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure

*synonym* : boundless, countless, limitless

(1) **infinite** appetite, (2) **infinite** in supply

The battle had an **infinite** impact on the nation.

## possibility

*n.* a chance that something may happen or be true

*synonym* : chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically

increase.

**hell** *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place  
*synonym* : inferno, agony, misery  
(1) run like **hell**, (2) **hell** broke loose  
The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

**absurd** *adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical  
*synonym* : ridiculous, foolish, idiotic  
(1) **absurd** storyline, (2) an **absurd** amount of money  
We immediately rejected his **absurd** suggestion.

**generosity** *n.* the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely  
*synonym* : goodness, hospitality, unselfishness  
(1) act of **generosity**, (2) boundless **generosity**  
He is remembered for his **generosity** and civilization.

**decency** *n.* behavior that is appropriate or suitable in a given context, especially in terms of social norms and moral standards  
*synonym* : morality, propriety, decorum  
(1) an offense against **decency**, (2) **decency** standards  
He always tried to act with **decency**, treating others with respect and kindness.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|------------------------------------|------|--|
| 1. im_____nt a corporate strategy  | v.   | to put a decision, plan, or system into effect   |
| 2. ind_____ized textile production | v.   | to organize the production of something into an industry   |
| 3. c__e various authorities        | v.   | to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened   |
| 4. p__p a secret out of success    | v.   | to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities  |
| 5. pr__e number                    | adj. | main or most important; basic  |
| 6. con_____nt location             | adj. | useful, helpful, or quick to do  |
| 7. a cold cl_____e                 | n.   | the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period  |
| 8. an in_____ve to work hard       | n.   | something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something  |
| 9. pr_____ly affect adults         | adv. | mainly   |
| 10. in___t food                    | n.   | a baby or very young child   |
| 11. 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 |

ANSWERS: 1. implement, 2. industrialize, 3. cite, 4. pump, 5. prime, 6. convenient, 7. climate, 8. incentive, 9. primarily, 10. infant, 11. develop

12. even more unf\_\_\_\_\_ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
13. re\_\_\_t a decision *v.* to feel sad, repentant, or disappointed over something you have done or something you have not been able to do
14. chemical ad\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
15. 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
16. f\_\_p a coin *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
17. herbal aph\_\_\_\_\_ac *n.* a substance that is believed to enhance sexual desire or performance
18. turn out to be all s\_\_m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
19. de\_\_\_\_\_e a job offer *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
20. st\_\_\_\_\_ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
21. ove\_\_\_\_\_ion problem *n.* a situation in which the number of people or living organisms in a particular area or environment exceeds the carrying capacity or resources of that area or environment

ANSWERS: 12. unfortunately, 13. regret, 14. addition, 15. economy, 16. flip, 17. aphrodisiac, 18. sham, 19. decline, 20. straight, 21. overpopulation

22. create a br\_\_d logo *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
23. inc\_\_\_\_\_ze the right behavior *v.* to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward
24. sleep pro\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
25. Mi\_\_\_\_\_er for Education *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
26. t\_\_k to the refrigerator door *n.* a method of changing the course of a sailing vessel by turning the bow through the wind so that the wind switches from one side of the vessel to the other; a course of action or strategy, particularly in politics or business; (verb) to fasten or attach something, such as pinning or nailing an object in place
27. de\_\_\_e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
28. dem\_\_\_\_\_ic policy *n.* a statistic characterizing that describes people or groups of people based on their age, sex, income, etc.
29. na\_\_l chart *adj.* relating to birth or the place of one's birth; connected with the beginning or origin of something
30. de\_\_\_t a global power *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt

ANSWERS: 22. brand, 23. incentivize, 24. profoundly, 25. minister, 26. tack, 27. decide, 28. demographic, 29. natal, 30. defeat

31. ack\_\_\_\_\_ge his help      *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
32. bad ka\_\_a      *n.* a concept that originated in Hinduism and Buddhism and referred to the idea that a person's actions in the present moment will affect their future experiences and circumstances
33. increase tr\_\_\_\_\_on on ice      *n.* the action or ability to pull something along a surface without sliding
34. pr\_\_\_\_\_e the amendment      *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
35. a di\_\_\_\_\_or with enormous powers      *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
36. to\_\_\_\_\_wn approach      *adj.* controlled or implemented from the highest level of authority or management
37. rep\_\_\_\_\_ive ability      *adj.* connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants
38. run like h\_\_l      *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
39. wa\_\_\_\_\_r spirit      *n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past

ANSWERS: 31. acknowledge, 32. karma, 33. traction, 34. propose, 35. dictator, 36. top-down, 37. reproductive, 38. hell, 39. warrior

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|--------------------------------|---|
| 40. absolutely fa_____ic event | <i>adj.</i> extremely good; excellent   |
| 41. gov_____nt funding         | <i>n.</i> the group of people with authority to control a country or state  |
| 42. a su___e poison            | <i>adj.</i> not readily apparent or visible   |
| 43. deputy prime mi_____er     | <i>n.</i> a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department   |
| 44. mot_____nd defenders       | <i>n.</i> a term used to refer to one's country of birth or origin, especially in a patriotic or emotional context; the land where one's ancestors or family originated |
| 45. dem_____ic analyses        | <i>n.</i> a statistic characterizing that describes people or groups of people based on their age, sex, income, etc.  |
| 46. pro_____da campaign        | <i>n.</i> information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology  |
| 47. dis_____ue party           | <i>n.</i> a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance  |
| 48. the value of the E__o      | <i>n.</i> the official currency of most European Union countries  |
| 49. ch_____re allowance        | <i>n.</i> a service involving care for other people's children  |
| 50. la_____y accepted          | <i>adv.</i> virtually entirely; to a large degree   |
| 51. achieve the hi_____ic feat | <i>adj.</i> famous or significant in history, or potentially so   |
| 52. a fa_____ic dress          | <i>adj.</i> extremely good; excellent   |

ANSWERS: 40. fantastic, 41. government, 42. subtle, 43. minister, 44. motherland, 45. demographic, 46. propaganda, 47. discotheque, 48. euro, 49. childcare, 50. largely, 51. historic, 52. fantastic



53. hu__y mood	<i>adj.</i> showing a strong inclination to hug or embrace others, either for comfort or affection, often used in a playful or affectionate way
54. unf_____ely caught in a shower	<i>adv.</i> by bad luck; unluckily
55. skilled wo_____ce	<i>n.</i> all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.
56. old_____ned in appearance	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to a time in the past; not modern
57. a rock fr__k	<i>n.</i> an abnormality that is not typical or expected
58. de___e on a course of action	<i>v.</i> to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
59. do_____te possession	<i>v.</i> to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
60. powerful aph_____ac	<i>n.</i> a substance that is believed to enhance sexual desire or performance
61. allow ch_____re leave	<i>n.</i> a service involving care for other people's children
62. the characters that re_____nt numbers	<i>v.</i> to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
63. imm_____on application	<i>n.</i> the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
64. E__o crises	<i>n.</i> the official currency of most European Union countries
65. do_____te over the weak	<i>v.</i> to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

ANSWERS: 53. huggy, 54. unfortunately, 55. workforce, 56. old-fashioned, 57. freak, 58. decide, 59. dominate, 60. aphrodisiac, 61. childcare, 62. represent, 63. immigration, 64. euro, 65. dominate

66. sta\_\_\_\_\_cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
67. di\_\_\_r bag *n.* a soft, absorbent piece of material worn by babies and young children around their waist and between their legs to catch urine and feces
68. on the ma\_\_\_\_\_al side *adj.* relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child
69. imm\_\_\_\_\_on control *n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
70. a st\_\_\_\_\_ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
71. raise a f\_\_t *n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
72. armored wa\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
73. tax re\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
74. ack\_\_\_\_\_ge the deed *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

ANSWERS: 66. statistics, 67. diaper, 68. maternal, 69. immigration, 70. straight, 71. fist, 72. warrior, 73. revenue, 74. acknowledge

75. songs of mot\_\_\_\_\_nd *n.* a term used to refer to one's country of birth or origin, especially in a patriotic or emotional context; the land where one's ancestors or family originated
76. big, b\_\_d piano sounds *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
77. pl\_\_\_t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
78. int\_\_\_\_\_al destruction of evidence *adj.* done, made or performed with purpose and intent
79. in\_\_\_t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
80. em\_\_\_e building *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
81. the ex\_\_\_\_\_ed food sources *adj.* extremely tired
82. de\_\_\_t body odor *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
83. fill the fr\_\_\_e *n.* a piece of electrical equipment in which food can be stored at low temperatures so that it stays fresh
84. te\_\_\_\_\_y people *v.* to frighten someone very much
85. financial in\_\_\_\_\_ves *n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

ANSWERS: 75. motherland, 76. bold, 77. planet, 78. intentional, 79. invest, 80. empire, 81. exhausted, 82. defeat, 83. fridge, 84. terrify, 85. incentive

86. ad\_\_\_\_on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
87. sh\_\_\_k the tumor *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
88. binational ac\_\_\_\_d *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
89. uns\_\_\_\_\_le momentum *adj.* impossible to stop or prevent
90. a tr\_\_\_\_\_on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
91. on his own be\_\_\_f *n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
92. li\_\_r disease *n.* a large organ in the body, involved in many metabolic processes, such as detoxification of the organism, and the synthesis of proteins
93. go on a serious od\_\_\_\_y *n.* a long wandering and eventful journey; a Greek epic poem attributed to Homer, describing the journey of Odysseus after the fall of Troy
94. a b\_\_d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
95. labor pop\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
96. in\_\_\_e domestic tranquility *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage

ANSWERS: 86. addition, 87. shrink, 88. accord, 89. unstoppable, 90. tradition, 91. behalf, 92. liver, 93. odyssey, 94. bold, 95. population, 96. insure

97. co\_\_\_\_\_nt urinary diversion *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
98. ap\_\_\_\_\_d the orchestra *v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands
99. gov\_\_\_\_\_nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
100. 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
101. against tr\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
102. do on a con\_\_\_\_\_nt basis *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
103. the inland of a co\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
104. on be\_\_\_\_f of our management *n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
105. 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: 97. continent, 98. applaud, 99. government, 100. threat, 101. tradition, 102. consistent, 103. continent, 104. behalf, 105. policy

106. public pe\_\_\_\_\_n funds      *n.* a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working
107. g\_\_p in shock      *v.* to inhale sharply and audibly, often in response to strong emotion or sensation; to catch one's breath suddenly, often due to shock or surprise
108. de\_\_\_\_\_on authority      *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
109. mi\_\_\_\_\_e reimbursement      *n.* the number of miles traveled by a particular vehicle or machine; in a more general sense, the usefulness or practical value of something based on the amount of effort or resources expended
110. ro\_\_\_\_\_g business      *adj.* exciting, stimulating, or inspiring; causing a strong emotional or physical response; arousing enthusiasm or interest
111. de\_\_\_\_\_p a skill      *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
112. pos\_\_\_\_\_ty of a major earthquake      *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true

ANSWERS: 106. pension, 107. gasp, 108. decision, 109. mileage, 110. rousing, 111. develop, 112. possibility

113. b\_g the question *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
114. fr\_\_\_e magnet *n.* a piece of electrical equipment in which food can be stored at low temperatures so that it stays fresh
115. 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
116. ind\_\_\_\_\_ize service *v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
117. get con\_\_\_\_\_nt results *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
118. ho\_\_r around the table *v.* to stay in one place in the air
119. sh\_\_\_k with fear *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
120. economic 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
121. effects of cl\_\_\_\_\_e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

ANSWERS: 113. beg, 114. fridge, 115. policy, 116. industrialize, 117. consistent, 118. hover, 119. shrink, 120. threat, 121. climate

122. re\_\_\_\_\_e one word with another      *v.* to take the place of something
123. fas\_\_\_\_\_ard to the good part      *v.* to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording
124. sk\_\_\_\_\_al scientists      *adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful
125. ca\_\_\_\_n emission      *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
126. sh\_\_\_\_\_ng response      *adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust
127. at p\_\_k hour      *n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
128. d\_p a pen in ink      *v.* to put something into a liquid for a short time and take it out again
129. an offense against de\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* behavior that is appropriate or suitable in a given context, especially in terms of social norms and moral standards
130. im\_\_\_\_\_nt security measures      *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
131. yearn for the de\_\_\_\_t living      *adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense
132. c\_\_e a fact as evidence      *v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened

ANSWERS: 122. replace, 123. fast-forward, 124. skeptical, 125. carbon, 126. shocking, 127. peak, 128. dip, 129. decency, 130. implement, 131. decent, 132. cite



133. illegal em\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
134. saf\_\_\_\_\_et policy *n.* a precautionary measure intended to provide support or assistance to individuals or groups who are in danger of falling into poverty, hardship, or other negative outcomes
135. na\_\_l clinic *adj.* relating to birth or the place of one's birth; connected with the beginning or origin of something
136. h\_p from one place to another *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
137. an im\_\_\_\_\_nt from the country *n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently
138. b\_\_p against a wall *v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident
139. variety of de\_\_\_\_\_us foods *adj.* exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell
140. g\_\_p for air *v.* to inhale sharply and audibly, often in response to strong emotion or sensation; to catch one's breath suddenly, often due to shock or surprise
141. a selfish de\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

ANSWERS: 133. employer, 134. safety-net, 135. natal, 136. hop, 137. immigrant, 138. bump, 139. delicious, 140. gasp, 141. decision

142. an ab\_\_\_d amount of money      *adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical
143. ka\_\_a yoga      *n.* a concept that originated in Hinduism and Buddhism and referred to the idea that a person's actions in the present moment will affect their future experiences and circumstances
144. a Royal Pr\_\_\_\_\_ss      *n.* the daughter of a monarch; the wife or widow of a prince; woman or girl considered to be particularly good or admirable
145. in\_\_\_e my house against fire      *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
146. im\_\_\_\_\_nt communities      *n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently
147. be\_\_\_\_\_d author      *adj.* loved very much
148. de\_\_\_\_\_y the ecosystem      *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
149. tight f\_\_t      *n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
150. ha\_\_e the price      *v.* to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size
151. ab\_\_\_d storyline      *adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical

ANSWERS: 142. absurd, 143. karma, 144. princess, 145. insure, 146. immigrant, 147. beloved, 148. destroy, 149. fist, 150. halve, 151. absurd

152. fatty li\_\_r *n.* a large organ in the body, involved in many metabolic processes, such as detoxification of the organism, and the synthesis of proteins
153. em\_\_\_\_\_er responsibility *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
154. h\_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
155. re\_\_\_\_\_sh a reserve fund *v.* to fill something that had previously been emptied
156. an international tr\_\_d *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
157. seed h\_\_k *n.* the dry, outer covering of a seed, grain, or fruit, such as the shell of a nut or the skin of a corn kernel
158. de\_\_\_\_\_e in quality *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
159. f\_\_p over the pork chop *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
160. co\_\_\_\_\_de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
161. to\_\_\_\_\_wn management *adj.* controlled or implemented from the highest level of authority or management
162. save the pl\_\_\_\_t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

ANSWERS: 152. liver, 153. employer, 154. hop, 155. replenish, 156. trend, 157. husk, 158. decline, 159. flip, 160. conclude, 161. top-down, 162. planet

163. annual re\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
164. dis\_\_\_\_\_ue scene *n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance
165. ex\_\_\_\_\_e the issue *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
166. the threats te\_\_\_\_\_y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
167. mat\_\_\_\_\_cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
168. dr\_\_n in a bath *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
169. a disability pe\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working
170. electronic tr\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the action or ability to pull something along a surface without sliding
171. int\_\_\_\_\_ory biology text *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
172. soil fe\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state or quality of being able to produce babies, young animals, fruit, or new plants
173. org\_\_\_\_\_ion chart *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose

ANSWERS: 163. revenue, 164. discotheque, 165. examine, 166. terrify, 167. mathematics, 168. drown, 169. pension, 170. traction, 171. introductory, 172. fertility, 173. organization

174. uns\_\_\_\_\_le force *adj.* impossible to stop or prevent
175. saf\_\_\_\_\_et program *n.* a precautionary measure intended to provide support or assistance to individuals or groups who are in danger of falling into poverty, hardship, or other negative outcomes
176. in\_\_\_\_\_te appetite *adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
177. military di\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
178. re\_\_\_\_\_e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
179. deputy pr\_\_e minister *adj.* main or most important; basic
180. cross-country od\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* a long wandering and eventful journey; a Greek epic poem attributed to Homer, describing the journey of Odysseus after the fall of Troy
181. manual la\_\_r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
182. self-serving pro\_\_\_\_\_da *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
183. the fo\_\_\_\_\_nts of an earlier civilization *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

ANSWERS: 174. unstoppable, 175. safety-net, 176. infinite, 177. dictator, 178. replace, 179. prime, 180. odyssey, 181. labor, 182. propaganda, 183. footprint

184. ho\_\_r between life and death      *v.* to stay in one place in the air
185. she is ma\_\_c      *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
186. pr\_\_\_\_\_e changes      *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
187. fo\_\_\_\_\_nts in the snow      *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
188. an old\_\_\_\_\_ned person      *adj.* of or relating to a time in the past; not modern
189. con\_\_\_\_\_ion on a promotion      *n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another
190. la\_\_\_\_\_y mitigate the issue      *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
191. su\_\_\_e changes      *adj.* not readily apparent or visible
192. re\_\_\_t being so careless      *v.* to feel sad, repentant, or disappointed over something you have done or something you have not been able to do
193. ch\_\_s theory      *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
194. d\_p a chip in the sauce      *v.* to put something into a liquid for a short time and take it out again
195. pos\_\_\_\_\_ty for growth      *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true

ANSWERS: 184. hover, 185. magic, 186. propose, 187. footprint, 188. old-fashioned, 189. congratulation, 190. largely, 191. subtle, 192. regret, 193. chaos, 194. dip, 195. possibility

196. br\_\_e pedal *n.* a device used to slow or stop a moving vehicle, typically by applying pressure to the wheels
197. high mi\_\_\_\_\_e vehicle *n.* the number of miles traveled by a particular vehicle or machine; in a more general sense, the usefulness or practical value of something based on the amount of effort or resources expended
198. be\_\_\_\_\_d by many people *adj.* loved very much
199. fr\_\_k weather *n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
200. de\_\_\_\_\_y standards *n.* behavior that is appropriate or suitable in a given context, especially in terms of social norms and moral standards
201. pr\_\_\_\_\_ce a name *v.* to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way
202. a ma\_\_c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
203. an innovative pr\_\_\_\_\_al *n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
204. 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

ANSWERS: 196. brake, 197. mileage, 198. beloved, 199. freak, 200. decency, 201. pronounce, 202. magic, 203. proposal, 204. economy

205. aff\_\_\_\_\_le solution *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
206. pro\_\_\_\_\_ly insightful *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
207. o\_t out of society *v.* to make a choice from a range of possibilities
208. su\_\_\_\_\_ze the project *v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially
209. so\_\_\_\_\_up engine *adj.* made more powerful or improved in some way beyond the standard or original design; exaggerated or overdone
210. suffer d\_\_e poverty *adj.* extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous
211. banner he\_\_\_\_\_ne *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
212. de\_\_\_\_\_us breeze *adj.* exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell
213. details of his pr\_\_\_\_\_al *n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
214. do\_\_\_o effect *n.* a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events
215. ex\_\_\_\_\_e the data studiously *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
216. ro\_\_\_\_\_g music *adj.* exciting, stimulating, or inspiring; causing a strong emotional or physical response; arousing enthusiasm or interest

ANSWERS: 205. affordable, 206. profoundly, 207. opt, 208. subsidize, 209. souped-up, 210. dire, 211. headline, 212. delicious, 213. proposal, 214. domino, 215. examine, 216. rousing



217. ac___d with public opinion	<i>n.</i> an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
218. co_____de a meeting	<i>v.</i> to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
219. sh_____ng revelation	<i>adj.</i> extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust
220. boundless gen_____ty	<i>n.</i> the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely
221. de_____yed evidence	<i>v.</i> to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
222. in_____te in supply	<i>adj.</i> unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
223. act of gen_____ty	<i>n.</i> the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely
224. a de___t education	<i>adj.</i> satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense
225. hu__y teddy bear	<i>adj.</i> showing a strong inclination to hug or embrace others, either for comfort or affection, often used in a playful or affectionate way
226. op_____ne occasion	<i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
227. seasonal la__r	<i>n.</i> productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

ANSWERS: 217. accord, 218. conclude, 219. shocking, 220. generosity, 221. destroy, 222. infinite, 223. generosity, 224. decent, 225. huggy, 226. opportune, 227. labor

228. p\_\_p blood throughout the body      *v.* to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities
229. b\_\_p up prices      *v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident
230. inc\_\_\_\_\_\_ze carpooling      *v.* to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward
231. a s\_\_m battle      *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
232. d\_\_e situation      *adj.* extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous
233. change t\_\_k      *n.* a method of changing the course of a sailing vessel by turning the bow through the wind so that the wind switches from one side of the vessel to the other; a course of action or strategy, particularly in politics or business; (*verb*) to fasten or attach something, such as pinning or nailing an object in place
234. a good grounding in mat\_\_\_\_cs      *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
235. fas\_\_\_\_ard 10 seconds      *v.* to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording

ANSWERS: 228. pump, 229. bump, 230. incentivize, 231. sham, 232. dire, 233. tack, 234. mathematics, 235. fast-forward

236. he\_\_\_\_\_ne article *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
237. agricultural org\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
238. o\_t for a traditional wedding *v.* to make a choice from a range of possibilities
239. upset st\_\_\_\_\_h *n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach
240. ap\_\_\_\_\_d his courage *v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands
241. b\_g for help *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
242. pop\_\_\_\_\_on change *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
243. so\_\_\_\_\_up graphics card *adj.* made more powerful or improved in some way beyond the standard or original design; exaggerated or overdone
244. re\_\_\_\_\_nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
245. ed\_\_\_\_\_ed adult *adj.* having received a high standard of education
246. h\_\_k removal *n.* the dry, outer covering of a seed, grain, or fruit, such as the shell of a nut or the skin of a corn kernel

ANSWERS: 236. headline, 237. organization, 238. opt, 239. stomach, 240. applaud, 241. beg, 242. population, 243. souped-up, 244. represent, 245. educated, 246. husk

247. ed\_\_\_\_ed speech *adj.* having received a high standard of education
248. st\_\_\_\_h virus *n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach
249. ca\_\_\_\_r research *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
250. apply the br\_\_e *n.* a device used to slow or stop a moving vehicle, typically by applying pressure to the wheels
251. crown pr\_\_\_\_ss *n.* the daughter of a monarch; the wife or widow of a prince; woman or girl considered to be particularly good or admirable
252. the tr\_\_d away from television *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
253. the p\_\_k current in the circuit *n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
254. aff\_\_\_\_le housing *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
255. do\_\_\_\_o chain *n.* a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events

ANSWERS: 247. educated, 248. stomach, 249. cancer, 250. brake, 251. princess, 252. trend, 253. peak, 254. affordable, 255. domino

256. ca\_\_\_r diagnosis *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
257. intended pr\_\_\_\_\_ly for young people *adv.* mainly
258. fe\_\_\_\_\_ty above replacement *n.* the state or quality of being able to produce babies, young animals, fruit, or new plants
259. ex\_\_\_\_\_ed parents *adj.* extremely tired
260. official sta\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
261. em\_\_\_e of the Maya *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
262. a matter for con\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another
263. ma\_\_\_\_\_al care *adj.* relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child
264. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
265. sc\_\_\_d dog *adj.* afraid or frightened
266. ove\_\_\_\_\_ion crisis *n.* a situation in which the number of people or living organisms in a particular area or environment exceeds the carrying capacity or resources of that area or environment

ANSWERS: 256. cancer, 257. primarily, 258. fertility, 259. exhausted, 260. statistics, 261. empire, 262. congratulation, 263. maternal, 264. opportune, 265. scared, 266. overpopulation

267. sc\_\_\_d all the time *adj.* afraid or frightened
268. product int\_\_\_\_\_ory sale *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
269. ca\_\_\_n dioxide *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
270. an int\_\_\_\_\_al walk *adj.* done, made or performed with purpose and intent
271. su\_\_\_\_\_ze the cost *v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially
272. in\_\_\_t daughter *n.* a baby or very young child
273. or\_\_\_n care *n.* a child whose parents are dead or have abandoned them
274. during rep\_\_\_\_\_ive period *adj.* connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants
275. pr\_\_\_\_\_ce a judgment *v.* to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way
276. con\_\_\_\_\_nt way *adj.* useful, helpful, or quick to do
277. a sk\_\_\_\_\_al attitude *adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful
278. gi\_\_\_\_\_us skyscraper *adj.* (combination of "gigantic" and "enormous") extremely large
279. the wo\_\_\_\_\_ce is on strike *n.* all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.

ANSWERS: 267. scared, 268. introductory, 269. carbon, 270. intentional, 271. subsidize, 272. infant, 273. orphan, 274. reproductive, 275. pronounce, 276. convenient, 277. skeptical, 278. ginormous, 279. workforce

280. in\_\_\_t in stocks                    *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
281. ha\_\_e the workload                *v.* to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size
282. I was dr\_\_ned in work            *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
283. hi\_\_\_\_\_ic accomplishment    *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
284. asylum for or\_\_\_n children        *n.* a child whose parents are dead or have abandoned them
285. midst of ch\_\_s                    *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
286. h\_\_l broke loose                  *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
287. gi\_\_\_\_\_us elephant            *adj.* (combination of "gigantic" and "enormous") extremely large
288. cloth di\_\_\_r                      *n.* a soft, absorbent piece of material worn by babies and young children around their waist and between their legs to catch urine and feces
289. the br\_\_d of the new car          *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

ANSWERS: 280. invest, 281. halve, 282. drown, 283. historic, 284. orphan, 285. chaos, 286. hell, 287. ginormous, 288. diaper, 289. brand

290. re\_\_\_\_\_sh my spirit

v. to fill something that had previously  
been emptied

ANSWERS: 290. replenish



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The patient will undergo \_\_\_\_\_ transplant surgery tomorrow.  
*n.* a large organ in the body, involved in many metabolic processes, such as detoxification of the organism, and the synthesis of proteins
2. The building was \_\_\_\_\_ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.  
*v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
3. My father is \_\_\_\_\_ in his thinking.  
*adj.* of or relating to a time in the past; not modern
4. I \_\_\_\_\_ to say that you did not gain admission to the university.  
*v.* to feel sad, repentant, or disappointed over something you have done or something you have not been able to do
5. 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
6. The Chinese people have accomplished several \_\_\_\_\_ feats.  
*adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
7. Two birds were \_\_\_\_\_ overhead.  
*v.* to stay in one place in the air

ANSWERS: 1. liver, 2. destroyed, 3. old-fashioned, 4. regret, 5. policy, 6. historic, 7. hovering

8. I gave witness on her \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
9. Please \_\_\_\_\_ my glass with some more wine.
- v.* to fill something that had previously been emptied
10. Because of the country's poor economic prospects, the number of \_\_\_\_\_ defaulters has been increasing.
- n.* a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working
11. I have a \_\_\_\_\_ ache after overeating junk food.
- n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach
12. We \_\_\_\_\_ a cease-fire.
- v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
13. The boxer clenched his \_\_\_\_\_ before throwing a punch.
- n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
14. She struggled to \_\_\_\_\_ the word in a foreign language.
- v.* to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way
15. The \_\_\_\_\_ occasionally preaches at this church.
- n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
16. The perspective of his right brain \_\_\_\_\_ his consciousness.
- v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

ANSWERS: 8. behalf, 9. replenish, 10. pension, 11. stomach, 12. concluded, 13. fist, 14. pronounce, 15. minister, 16. dominates

17. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.

*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

18. The oil price continued their downward \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing

19. Excellent speech is a characteristic of an \_\_\_\_\_ man.

*adj.* having received a high standard of education

20. A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the \_\_\_\_\_.

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

21. Police received a report of illegal \_\_\_\_\_ in the area.

*n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently

22. As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually \_\_\_\_\_.

*v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

23. The airport offers five \_\_\_\_\_ access routes.

*adj.* useful, helpful, or quick to do

24. Some people believe that if you do good deeds, you will accumulate positive \_\_\_\_\_ that will benefit you in the future.

*n.* a concept that originated in Hinduism and Buddhism and referred to the idea that a person's actions in the present moment will affect their future experiences and circumstances

ANSWERS: 17. opportune, 18. trend, 19. educated, 20. dictator, 21. immigrants, 22. declines, 23. convenient, 24. karma

25. The government used \_\_\_\_\_ pictures to spread its message of national unity.
- n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
26. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ the recipe to make just enough for two people.
- v.* to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size
27. Despite his best efforts, he was unable to \_\_\_\_\_ the enemy.
- v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
28. In just four years, the \_\_\_\_\_ has doubled.
- n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
29. The audience \_\_\_\_\_ when the magician made the rabbit disappear from the hat.
- v.* to inhale sharply and audibly, often in response to strong emotion or sensation; to catch one's breath suddenly, often due to shock or surprise
30. The \_\_\_\_\_ policy in this country is stringent, making it difficult for many people to obtain a visa.
- n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
31. The \_\_\_\_\_ class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.
- adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
32. All peaceful cooperation is based \_\_\_\_\_ on mutual trust.
- adv.* mainly

ANSWERS: 25. propaganda, 26. halve, 27. defeat, 28. population, 29. gasped, 30. immigration, 31. introductory, 32. primarily

33. The construction site was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ pieces of heavy machinery.  
*adj.* (combination of "gigantic" and "enormous") extremely large
34. This shirt will \_\_\_\_\_ in the wash.  
*v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
35. Many companies outsource and hire consultants to keep their \_\_\_\_\_ flexible.  
*n.* all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.
36. I enthusiastically \_\_\_\_\_ my rival's achievement.  
*v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands
37. The mother-to-be attended \_\_\_\_\_ classes to prepare for the birth of her first child.  
*adj.* relating to birth or the place of one's birth; connected with the beginning or origin of something
38. He's not a very \_\_\_\_\_ so it surprised me when he reached out for a hug.  
*adj.* showing a strong inclination to hug or embrace others, either for comfort or affection, often used in a playful or affectionate way
39. The government provides a \_\_\_\_\_ for those who are struggling financially.  
*n.* a precautionary measure intended to provide support or assistance to individuals or groups who are in danger of falling into poverty, hardship, or other negative outcomes
40. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.  
*n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

ANSWERS: 33. ginormous, 34. shrink, 35. workforce, 36. applaud, 37. natal, 38. huggy, 39. safety-net, 40. tradition

41. The government should view children as national assets and actively \_\_\_\_\_ in them.
- v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
42. The new amusement park ride was \_\_\_\_\_ with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.
- adj.* extremely good; excellent
43. The government promised to \_\_\_\_\_ a new system to control the financial crisis.
- v. to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
44. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
45. Initially, we must \_\_\_\_\_ all project-related expenses.
- v. to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
46. He was alert and could not \_\_\_\_\_ any critical information out of him.
- v. to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities
47. I will \_\_\_\_\_ my car before I go on a road trip.
- v. to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage

ANSWERS: 41. invest, 42. fantastic, 43. implement, 44. statistics, 45. examine, 46. pump, 47. insure

48. Governments \_\_\_\_\_ renewable energy generation in various ways.
- v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially
49. We knocked over a stack of \_\_\_\_\_ and watched them fall one by one.
- n.* a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events
50. The organization finally signed a peace \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.;  
(verb) allow to have
51. The little girl was a war \_\_\_\_\_ and lived in a group home.
- n.* a child whose parents are dead or have abandoned them
52. Please \_\_\_\_ up a bucketful of water from the well.
- v.* to put something into a liquid for a short time and take it out again
53. You are not \_\_\_\_\_ in your behavior.
- adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
54. Mercury is the closest \_\_\_\_\_ to the sun.
- n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
55. The battlefield became \_\_\_\_\_ on earth.
- n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

ANSWERS: 48. subsidize, 49. dominoes, 50. accord, 51. orphan, 52. dip, 53. consistent, 54. planet, 55. hell

56. This documentary deals with the \_\_\_\_\_ biology of the buffalo.

*adj.* connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants

57. The effort to alleviate climate change needs \_\_\_\_\_ action.

*adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

58. She accidentally \_\_\_\_\_ into him in the crowded room.

*v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident

59. The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past

60. The results of that election put a \_\_\_\_\_ on political reform.

*n.* a device used to slow or stop a moving vehicle, typically by applying pressure to the wheels

61. Floods have the potential to \_\_\_\_\_ any subsurface animals easily.

*v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater

62. She was struggling to make a \_\_\_\_\_ between two job offers.

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

63. She couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

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

ANSWERS: 56. reproductive, 57. bold, 58. bumped, 59. warrior, 60. brake, 61. drown, 62. decision, 63. decide



64. He always spoke proudly of his \_\_\_\_\_ during the war.

*n.* a term used to refer to one's country of birth or origin, especially in a patriotic or emotional context; the land where one's ancestors or family originated

65. His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful

66. I decided to \_\_\_\_ for premature retirement.

*v.* to make a choice from a range of possibilities

67. It would be best not to \_\_\_\_\_ your associates into doing complex tasks.

*v.* to frighten someone very much

68. This measurement aims to reduce traffic at \_\_\_\_ periods.

*n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain

69. In several countries, child \_\_\_\_\_ is a serious social problem.

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

70. I like to \_\_\_\_\_ through commercials when watching TV shows.

*v.* to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording

71. A famous artist painted the room in a \_\_\_\_\_ pink hue.

*adj.* not readily apparent or visible

ANSWERS: 64. motherland, 65. skeptical, 66. opt, 67. terrify, 68. peak, 69. labor, 70. fast-forward, 71. subtle

72. Several \_\_\_\_\_ indicators correlate with care admission.
- n.* a statistic characterizing that describes people or groups of people based on their age, sex, income, etc.
73. I want to \_\_\_\_\_ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.
- v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
74. The prince fell in love with the \_\_\_\_\_ and asked her to marry him.
- n.* the daughter of a monarch; the wife or widow of a prince; woman or girl considered to be particularly good or admirable
75. Governments \_\_\_\_\_ their citizens to buy eco-friendly products through subsidies.
- v.* to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward
76. He couldn't wait to hit the \_\_\_\_\_ and dance the night away.
- n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance
77. There's a new \_\_\_\_\_ of hero in the movies now.
- n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
78. The \_\_\_\_\_ accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.
- n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
79. The automaker has been providing \_\_\_\_\_ car financing options since last year.
- adj.* not expensive and able to pay

ANSWERS: 72. demographic, 73. propose, 74. princess, 75. incentivize, 76. discotheque, 77. brand, 78. freak, 79. affordable

80. The devil can \_\_\_\_\_ Scripture for his purpose.

- v. to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened

81. He never \_\_\_\_\_ his fault.

- v. to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

82. An \_\_\_\_\_ attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.

- n. a person or organization that pays workers to work for them

83. The engagement of the two golf players became \_\_\_\_\_ news.

- n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

84. The nations of South East Asia will quickly \_\_\_\_\_ and catch up with the West.

- v. to organize the production of something into an industry

85. The \_\_\_\_\_ from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.

- n. the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

86. His leg was in \_\_\_\_\_ for weeks after the accident.

- n. the action or ability to pull something along a surface without sliding

87. In \_\_\_\_\_ private corporations provide healthcare services.

- n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

ANSWERS: 80. cite, 81. acknowledged, 82. employer's, 83. headline, 84. industrialize, 85. congratulations, 86. traction, 87. addition,

88. Mozart was an \_\_\_\_\_ prodigy.

*n.* a baby or very young child

89. Flight across the \_\_\_\_\_ was a daring adventure in its day.

*n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

90. He was pulled over for driving a \_\_\_\_\_ car with an illegal exhaust system.

*adj.* made more powerful or improved in some way beyond the standard or original design; exaggerated or overdone

91. He earned a \_\_\_\_\_ salary at his job.

*adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense

92. The team's winning streak was \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* impossible to stop or prevent

93. The law distinguishes between accidental and \_\_\_\_\_ killing.

*adj.* done, made or performed with purpose and intent

94. The hybrid car offers better gas \_\_\_\_\_ than the traditional car.

*n.* the number of miles traveled by a particular vehicle or machine; in a more general sense, the usefulness or practical value of something based on the amount of effort or resources expended

95. Our skeleton outline of the \_\_\_\_\_ met with much opposition.

*n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one

96. The rabbit \_\_\_\_\_ over the fence.

*v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

ANSWERS: 88. infant, 89. continent, 90. souped-up, 91. decent, 92. unstoppable, 93. intentional, 94. mileage, 95. proposal, 96. hopped

97. Eventually, the new design will \_\_\_\_\_ all older models.

*v.* to take the place of something

98. Our company offers a full range of \_\_\_\_\_ facilities as part of our benefits package.

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

99. The data he prepared was completely \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

100. The \_\_\_\_\_ runner fell to the ground and gasped.

*adj.* extremely tired

101. They have no \_\_\_\_\_ to win the game.

*n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

102. She left the \_\_\_\_\_ door open inadvertently.

*n.* a piece of electrical equipment in which food can be stored at low temperatures so that it stays fresh

103. Breast \_\_\_\_\_ is the most common type of cancer in women.

*n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

104. The battle had an \_\_\_\_\_ impact on the nation.

*adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure

ANSWERS: 97. replace, 98. childcare, 99. sham, 100. exhausted, 101. incentive, 102. fridge, 103. cancer, 104. infinite

105. The \_\_\_\_\_ economic straits called for immediate action.

*adj.* extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous

106. The \_\_\_\_\_ of getting the disease will drastically increase.

*n.* a chance that something may happen or be true

107. He is remembered for his \_\_\_\_\_ and civilization.

*n.* the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely

108. He \_\_\_\_\_ when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.

*v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion

109. He has built a thriving e-commerce \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

110. Trees absorb \_\_\_\_\_ dioxide and give off oxygen.

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

111. I am here to save my \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* loved very much

112. Some countries may leave the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the official currency of most European Union countries

113. He performed \_\_\_\_\_ tricks with sophisticated moves.

*n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

ANSWERS: 105. dire, 106. possibility, 107. generosity, 108. flipped, 109. empire, 110. carbon, 111. beloved, 112. Euro, 113. magic

114. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the coconut was removed to reveal the fruit inside.

*n.* the dry, outer covering of a seed, grain, or fruit, such as the shell of a nut or the skin of a corn kernel

115. The \_\_\_\_\_ speech by the coach pumped up the team before the big game.

*adj.* exciting, stimulating, or inspiring; causing a strong emotional or physical response; arousing enthusiasm or interest

116. She \_\_\_\_\_ her parents to let her go to the concert.

*v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something

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

*adj.* exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell

118. We elected him to \_\_\_\_\_ us at the international conference.

*v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

119. 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

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

*adj.* main or most important; basic

121. I'm \_\_\_\_\_ of insects.

*adj.* afraid or frightened

ANSWERS: 114. husk, 115. rousing, 116. begged, 117. delicious, 118. represent, 119. economy, 120. prime, 121. scared

122. He always tried to act with \_\_\_\_\_ treating others with respect and kindness.  
*n.* behavior that is appropriate or suitable in a given context, especially in terms of social norms and moral standards
123. Oysters are believed to be a natural \_\_\_\_\_ encouraging sexual desire.  
*n.* a substance that is believed to enhance sexual desire or performance
124. The conference room was in \_\_\_\_\_ as everyone tried to speak at once.  
*n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
125. Many animal species are at risk of extinction due to human \_\_\_\_\_ and habitat destruction.  
*n.* a situation in which the number of people or living organisms in a particular area or environment exceeds the carrying capacity or resources of that area or environment
126. She had a very \_\_\_\_\_ instinct towards her newborn baby.  
*adj.* relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child
127. She is the president of a large international \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
128. The sperm count is used as an indicator of male \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the state or quality of being able to produce babies, young animals, fruit, or new plants
129. \_\_\_\_\_ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.  
*n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

ANSWERS: 122. decency, 123. aphrodisiac, 124. chaos, 125. overpopulation, 126. maternal, 127. organization, 128. fertility, 129. Climate



130. We immediately rejected his \_\_\_\_\_ suggestion.

*adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical

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

*adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree

132. The \_\_\_\_\_ management approach could have been more effective in implementing organizational changes.

*adj.* controlled or implemented from the highest level of authority or management

133. I need to change the \_\_\_\_\_ of the sailboat to avoid hitting the rocks.

*n.* a method of changing the course of a sailing vessel by turning the bow through the wind so that the wind switches from one side of the vessel to the other; a course of action or strategy, particularly in politics or business; (verb) to fasten or attach something, such as pinning or nailing an object in place

134. He has a flair for \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

135. The novel affected her \_\_\_\_\_ causing her to question her beliefs and values.

*adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply

136. He was sick for five \_\_\_\_\_ days.

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

137. 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

ANSWERS: 130. absurd, 131. largely, 132. top-down, 133. tack, 134. mathematics, 135. profoundly, 136. straight, 137. threat

138. We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

139. He continued the extraordinary \_\_\_\_\_ with his brother.

*n.* a long wandering and eventful journey; a Greek epic poem attributed to Homer, describing the journey of Odysseus after the fall of Troy

140. 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

141. The federal \_\_\_\_\_ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

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

142. The news of the accident was \_\_\_\_\_ and left many in shock.

*adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust

143. The treatments were done but, \_\_\_\_\_ were unsuccessful.

*adv.* by bad luck; unluckily

144. This graph indicates the city's tourism \_\_\_\_\_ over five years.

*n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business

145. I need to buy a pack of \_\_\_\_\_ for my baby before we run out.

*n.* a soft, absorbent piece of material worn by babies and young children around their waist and between their legs to catch urine and feces

ANSWERS: 138. footprint, 139. odyssey, 140. develop, 141. government, 142. shocking, 143. unfortunately, 144. revenue, 145. diapers

ANSWERS: