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Session 1: Word List

exhaust

n. the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired

synonym: emission, fumes, (verb) deplete

(1) **exhaust** pipe, (2) **exhaust** a topic

The factory's **exhaust** fumes polluted the air and affected the health of the nearby residents.

puzzled

adj. confused or uncertain because you do not understand something

synonym: confused, perplexed, bewildered

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

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

volunteer

n. a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do

synonym: unpaid worker, draftee, enlistee

(1) seek **volunteers**, (2) my **volunteer** work

The teachers make full use of **volunteer** assistance.

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

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

of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

tide

n. the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull

synonym: ripple, surge, swell

(1) **tide** cycle, (2) ride the **tide** of change

Red **tide** is often harmful to the local ecosystem.

binge

n. a period of excessive or uncontrolled consumption, often of food or alcohol; a spree or bout of reckless behavior or indulgence

synonym: spree, overindulgence, splurge

(1) **binge** on social media, (2) alcohol **binge**

She stayed up all night **binge-watching** her favorite TV show.

experiment

n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

synonym: experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

illicit

adj. forbidden by law, rules, or custom; not approved of or socially acceptable

synonym: illegal, unlawful, prohibited

(1) **illicit** drugs, (2) **illicit** trade

He was arrested for his **illicit** activities in the black market.

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets

enough exercise and a healthy diet.

frequent

adj. happening constantly

synonym: periodic, recurring, routine

(1) **frequent** absence, (2) **frequent** use

His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

observe

v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

synonym: watch, monitor, scrutinize

(1) **observe** a tradition, (2) **observe** wildlife

It is important to **observe** safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

peer

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

synonym: fellow, associate, counterpart

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

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

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym: insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

certificate

n. an official document stating that the information contained within is true

synonym: diploma, credential, certification

(1) official score **certificate**, (2) a birth **certificate**

He received a **certificate** in computer programming from the local college.

dare

v. to have the courage to do something

synonym: challenge, risk, attempt

(1) **dare** not go, (2) **dare** to take risks

I wouldn't **dare** to speak to him like that.

grade

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

synonym : score, rate, degree

(1) boys in the twelfth **grade**, (2) students at all **grade** levels
Departments may set requirements for a higher **grade** point average.

alarming

adj. causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing

synonym : forbidding, concerning, disturbing

(1) **alarming** news, (2) **alarming** statistics

The sudden rise in crime rates in our neighborhood is quite **alarming**.

exposed

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

synonym : endangered, revealed, disclosed

(1) **exposed** to radiation, (2) an **exposed** rock

Tech companies often employ **exposed** ducts and other materials in their office interiors.

confuse

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

synonym : confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

incredibly

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

synonym : enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

(1) **incredibly** cheerful character, (2) get **incredibly** insecure

Several cities are experiencing **incredibly** high unemployment rates.

prone

adj. inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward

synonym : inclined, susceptible, liable

(1) accident- **prone**, (2) **prone** to diarrhea

He was **prone** to making rash decisions.

daring

adj. brave and taking risks

synonym : audacious, bold, venturesome

(1) **daring** escape, (2) make a **daring** face

Her choices become increasingly **daring** and creative.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym : abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

reckless

adj. marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions

synonym : impetuous, irresponsible, thoughtless

(1) **reckless** driving, (2) in a **reckless** manner

Reckless youth makes rueful age.

phase

n. any stage in a series of events, change, or development

synonym : degree, stage, step

(1) enter on the last **phase**, (2) two- **phase** structure

The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial **phase** of history.

neuroscience

n. the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

(1) the branch of **neuroscience**, (2) a theoretical concept in **neuroscience**

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

brain

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

synonym : intellect, mind, encephalon

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

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

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym : procedure, method, system

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

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

decision-maker

n. a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization

(1) policy **decision-maker**, (2) act as a **decision-maker**

A wealth of information does not always have a positive impact on **decision-makers**.

prey

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

synonym : target, quarry, chase

(1) **prey** of beast, (2) become **prey** to terrorists

The majority of snakes swallow their **prey** whole.

risky

adj. involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss

synonym : dangerous, perilous, scary

(1) change **risky** behavior, (2) a **risky** enterprise

It is extremely **risky** to sail in such a storm.

blame

v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

synonym : condemn, rebuke, find fault with

(1) **blame** circumstances for the failure, (2) **blame** the lack

of knowledge

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

vulnerable

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

synonym : susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body

Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

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.

underlying

adj. significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly

synonym : fundamental, latent, basic

(1) an **underlying** motive, (2) an **underlying** cause of an accident

The **underlying** principle of every business was identical.

unintentional

adj. not done or made on purpose; accidental

synonym : accidental, unforeseen, spontaneous

(1) avoid **unintentional** harm, (2) **unintentional** insult

The mistake was **unintentional** and made in good faith.

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.

basis

n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

synonym : foundation, base, ground

(1) on an equal **basis**, (2) **basis** for calculation

This evidence will form the **basis** for our discussion.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

habituate

v. to accustom or become accustomed to a particular situation, habit, or behavior through repeated exposure or experience; to make something a habit or regular practice

synonym : accustom, familiarize, adapt

(1) **habituate** to coffee, (2) **habituate** to exercise

It takes time to **habituate** to a new work schedule, but eventually, it becomes routine.

refer

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

synonym : cite, allude, mention

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

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

adapt

v. to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment

synonym : adjust, acclimate, accustom

(1) **adapt** fully to the environment, (2) **adapt** as needed

I advised him to **adapt** to his new surroundings.

exposure

n. the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something

harmful; the disclosure of something secret

synonym: vulnerability, disclosure, uncovering

(1) a southern **exposure**, (2) the **exposure** of a fraud

The long **exposure** to the air tarnished the antique tableware.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym: idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

determinant

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

synonym: cause, factor, element

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

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

principle

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

synonym: rule, creed, code

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

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

relentless

adj. persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks

synonym: unyielding, tireless, unremitting

(1) **relentless** attack, (2) face **relentless** pressure
The athlete's **relentless** training paid off in the end.

predict

v. to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
synonym: forecast, anticipate, foresee

(1) **predict** the future, (2) **predict** when she will arrive
It's notoriously challenging to **predict** birth rates.

blunt

adj. having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive
synonym: dull, obtuse, insensitive

(1) **blunt** criticism, (2) **blunt** force

The **blunt** knife made it difficult to cut through the tough steak.

eradicate

v. to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
synonym: destroy, eliminate, exterminate

(1) **eradicate** the deficit, (2) **eradicate** racial discrimination
We are trying to **eradicate** this disease from the world.

negative

adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
synonym: minus, adverse, pessimistic

(1) have a **negative** effect, (2) a **negative** number

The movie has received almost universally **negative** criticism.

emotion

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

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

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

associate

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

synonym : tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

guilt

n. the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong

synonym : regret, remorse, blame

(1) criminal **guilt**, (2) feeling of **guilt**

Shame and **guilt** have significant social influences.

guilty

adj. feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal

synonym : culpable, blameworthy, at fault

(1) feel a bit **guilty**, (2) **guilty** verdict

After much contemplation, the suspect decided to plead **guilty** to the theft charge.

sensitize

v. to make someone or something more responsive to a particular stimulus or condition; to increase awareness or understanding of an issue, problem, or situation

synonym : acclimate, sensibelize, alert

(1) **sensitize** the immune system, (2) **sensitize** cells to radiation

We need to **sensitize** our staff to the needs of customers with disabilities.

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym : behave, lead, carry on

(1) **conduct** a background check, (2) **conduct** research

Police will **conduct** random breath testing for drunk driving.

well-being

n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

synonym : health, welfare, happiness

(1) the **well-being** of a nation, (2) a sense of **well-being**
We are responsible for the care and **well-being** of all our employees.

obstacle

n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

synonym: hindrance, barrier, block

(1) an **obstacle** to progress, (2) **obstacle** avoidance

The **obstacle** course was challenging but fun.

investigate

v. to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth

synonym: examine, analyze, look into

(1) **investigate** the matter, (2) **investigate** a data leak

The committee **investigated** several apparent inconsistencies.

laboratory

n. a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab

synonym: lab, workshop, testing room

(1) **laboratory** accident, (2) anthropology **laboratory**

Animal protection groups call for an end to animal testing in a **laboratory**.

device

n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

synonym: gadget, instrument, tool

(1) electronic **device**, (2) tracking **device**

I always carry a backup **device** in case my phone runs out of battery.

supervise

v. to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility

synonym: oversee, manage, control

(1) **supervise** entrance test takers, (2) **supervise** team

activity

She was asked to **supervise** the construction project.

attend

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

synonym : go, be present, accompany

(1) **attend** a meeting, (2) **attend** service

We must **attend** to this matter.

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.

athletics

n. the physical activities or sports that involve physical exertion and competition, such as running, jumping, throwing, or walking

synonym : sports, physical activity, exercise

(1) high school **athletics**, (2) professional **athletics**

She excelled in **athletics** during high school and went on to compete at the collegiate level.

choir

n. a group of singers, especially one that sings in a church or cathedral

synonym : chorus, ensemble, club

(1) quintet **choir**, (2) **choir** performance

The gospel **choir** sang beautifully at the church service.

debate

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

synonym : argument, discussion, dispute

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

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

stem

n. the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in

synonym: branch, limb, (verb) come from

(1) **stem** from a belief, (2) the **stem** of a matchstick

A rose has thorns on its **stem**.

mentor

n. a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school

synonym: adviser, coach, tutor

(1) **mentor** for life, (2) fashion **mentor**

As a **mentor**, he helped me realize my career.

schooler

n. a student who attends a school

synonym: student, pupil, learner

(1) a primary **schooler**, (2) **schooler** uniform

He often traveled abroad alone when he was in high **schooler**.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

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

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

ingredient

n. one of the things used to make something, especially one of the foods used to make a particular dish

synonym: element, component

(1) secret **ingredients**, (2) compound the **ingredients**

Greed is the primary **ingredient** in the making of criminals.

chef

n. a cook, especially the chief cook in a restaurant or hotel

synonym: cook, culinary artist, gastronomer

(1) **chef** knife, (2) master **chef**

The **chef** at the restaurant was known for his creative and delicious dishes.

frustrate

v. to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

synonym: hinder, thwart, dishearten

(1) **frustrate** the advancement, (2) **frustrate** other team members

The coach explained a strategy to **frustrate** the opponent's schemes to the players.

stubborn

adj. refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change

synonym: persistent, obstinate, determined

(1) **stubborn** attitude, (2) **stubborn** stains

He was so **stubborn** about his beliefs that he refused to listen to any other points of view.

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.

struggle

v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

synonym: toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

contribute

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

synonym : donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,

(2) **contribute** to society

Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

deem

v. to consider or decide something in a particular way

synonym : believe, consider, suppose

(1) **deem** socially responsible, (2) **deem** wrong or inappropriate

Regarding earthquakes, some commercial buildings were **deemed** unsafe.

scarf

n. a piece of cloth worn around the neck or head for warmth, cleanliness, fashion, or religious reasons

synonym : shawl, wrap, kerchief

(1) knit a **scarf**, (2) dotted **scarf**

She wrapped a **scarf** around her neck to keep warm.

anomaly

n. something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand

synonym : abnormality, irregularity, deviation

(1) **anomaly** detection, (2) global temperature **anomaly**

The sudden drop in the stock market was an **anomaly** that puzzled many investors.

homogeneous

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

synonym : uniform, consistent, like

(1) **homogeneous** society, (2) **homogeneous** culture

The population in the rural area was very **homogeneous**, with everyone having the same cultural and ethnic

background.

hometown

n. the town or city where one was born or grew up
synonym: birthplace, home, native place

(1) **hometown** celebrity, (2) **hometown** memory

I always look forward to going back to my **hometown** during the holidays.

necessarily

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

synonym: inevitable, certainly, automatically

(1) not **necessarily** a problem, (2) **necessarily** true

This accident was something that happened **necessarily**.

niche

n. a specialized role or position that a species occupies within an ecosystem; a job or position particularly well suited to the person who occupies it

synonym: role, position, habitat

(1) **niche** market, (2) every **niche** of society

The species occupies a unique **niche** in the ecosystem as a top predator.

inventive

adj. able to come up with novel and unique ideas

synonym: imaginative, creative, innovative

(1) have the **inventive** talent, (2) **inventive** approach

All language around the world is consistently **inventive** but not intrusive.

overcome

v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

synonym: beat, confound, overwhelm

(1) **overcome** opponents, (2) **overcome** all difficulties

He tried to **overcome** a bad reputation and win the election.

creative

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

synonym : imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

methodology

n. a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something

synonym : procedure, approach, process

(1) **methodology** for optimizing, (2) research **methodology**

We are developing a new **methodology** for assessing marketing measures.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym : alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power

My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

unassuming

adj. not arrogant, bold, or forward

synonym : diffident, humble, modest

(1) **unassuming** appearance, (2) an **unassuming** fashion

His **unassuming** manner concealed his ambition.

lab

n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

synonym : workshop, laboratory, research chamber

(1) **lab** instrument, (2) medical **lab**

The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's **lab**.

enthusiastic

adj. having or showing great excitement, interest, or eagerness; energetic or passionate about something

synonym : ardent, fervent, crazy

(1) **enthusiastic** football fan, (2) **enthusiastic** audience

She was **enthusiastic** about starting her new job.

geography

n. a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth

synonym: landscape, terrain, topography

(1) **geography** class, (2) economic **geography**

She did well on her **geography** exam.

cheerleader

n. a person who leads cheers and chants at organized sports events, typically wearing a uniform and performing choreographed routines

(1) college **cheerleader**, (2) **cheerleader** tryouts

She was the captain of the **cheerleader** squad in high school.

paperwork

n. administrative tasks that involve writing or typing documents

synonym: documentation, filing, office work

(1) **paperwork** process, (2) bureaucratic **paperwork**

The **paperwork** for the loan application was extensive.

electroencephalography

n. (also "EEG") a diagnostic medical procedure that involves the use of electrodes placed on the scalp to measure and record the electrical activity of the brain often used to assess and diagnose various neurological conditions

synonym: brain wave test, EEG, neural scan

(1) **electroencephalography** test, (2) abnormal **electroencephalography**

She is an **electroencephalography** technician skilled in performing EEG tests on patients.

electrode

n. either of two points or ends of a conductor at which electricity enters or leaves an object, substance, or region

(1) platinum **electrodes**, (2) **electrode** corrosion

It is important to place the **electrodes** in the correct position for accurate electro-cardiogram recording.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym : affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

headset

n. a pair of headphones, typically with a microphone attached

(1) **headset** with a microphone, (2) noise reduction **headset**

Professional game players pay the latest attention to the sound quality of their **headsets**.

smartphone

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

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

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

cubicle

n. a small, partitioned area or booth intended for working or studying, often in an office or educational setting

synonym : compartment, booth, workspace

(1) **cubicle** partition, (2) camping **cubicle**

I worked in an office **cubicle** surrounded by walls and fluorescent lights.

simulate

v. to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes

synonym : pretend, imitate, mimic

(1) **simulate** climate change, (2) **simulate** a future scenario

He had painted the wood to **simulate** stone.

comparable

adj. able to link the similarities or differences with others; similar or equivalent to someone or something

synonym : equal, commensurate, similar

(1) **comparable** sales, (2) a **comparable** amount of energy

Humans and apes have **comparable** anatomical structures.

alcohol

n. a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.

synonym: booze, liquor, ethanol

(1) stop drinking **alcohol**, (2) diluted **alcohol**

There is a clear association between **alcohol** consumption and cognitive decline.

gamble

v. to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes

synonym: bet, venture, wager

(1) **gamble** \$100 on the race, (2) **gamble** away my fortune

Will you **gamble** on the result of the fight?

mimic

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

synonym: mirror, imitate, ape

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

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

panel

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

synonym: board, commission, discussion

(1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

excitement

n. a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness

synonym: thrill, exhilaration, incitement

(1) the **excitement** in the business world, (2) aesthetic **excitement**

The **excitement** of the upcoming concert was palpable

among the crowd.

frustration

n. the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something

synonym: disappointment, discouragement, dissatisfaction

(1) **frustration** level, (2) express **frustration**

He felt a deep **frustration** as he realized the project would not be completed on time.

relaxation

n. a state of being free from tension, stress, or anxiety; a condition of being relaxed, calm, and comfortable; a period of rest or leisure

synonym: rest, repose, ease

(1) **relaxation** techniques, (2) **relaxation** music

Yoga is a great way to promote **relaxation** and reduce stress.

validate

v. to check or prove that something is true; to make something officially or legally acceptable or approved

synonym: approve, certify, verify

(1) **validate** a hypothesis, (2) **validate** a passport

To **validate** your purchase, please visit the following link.

frantic

adj. marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied

synonym: wild, frenzied, manic

(1) **frantic** pace, (2) with **frantic** haste

The mother was **frantic** as she searched for her lost child.

draft

n. a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form

synonym: blueprint, outline, rough drawing

(1) a working **draft**, (2) write the first **draft**

During debates in the legislature, the **draft** of the law caused a lot of controversies.

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.

meticulously

adv. with great attention to detail; thoroughly and carefully
synonym: carefully, attentively, scrupulously

(1) **meticulously** crafted product, (2) **meticulously** executed

She **meticulously** planned every detail of her wedding.

compute

v. to make a mathematical calculation

synonym: calculate

(1) **compute** an average score, (2) **compute** the value

I tried to **compute** the efficiency of the investment.

caffeine

n. a stimulant drug that is found in coffee, tea, and other beverages and that is used to increase alertness and improve mental and physical performance

synonym: stimulant

(1) **caffeine** intake, (2) coffee with the **caffeine** removed

She experienced headaches and fatigue as symptoms of **caffeine** withdrawal after quitting coffee.

daze

n. the feeling of distress and disbelief that you have when something bad happens accidentally; (verb) to confuse or stun someone with a sudden intense light or loud noise

synonym: stupor, confusion, (verb) stun

(1) walk around in a **daze**, (2) **daze** of sleep

He was in a **daze** from the sudden news and couldn't process it properly.

normally

adv. usually; under normal conditions

synonym: commonly, generally, naturally

(1) complete **normally**, (2) not **normally** drink much
I don't **normally** take a vacation in the middle of summer.

nervous

adj. worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves

synonym : neural, anxious, uneasy

(1) development of the **nervous** system, (2) get **nervous**
He suffers from **nervous** breakdowns.

curb

v. to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk

synonym : restrain, limit, control

(1) **curb** appetite, (2) **curb** anxiety

He tried to **curb** his anger during the argument with his friend.

temptation

n. the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire

synonym : allure, attraction, enticement

(1) withstand **temptation**, (2) many **temptations**

Researchers often succumb to the **temptation** of accolades and commit research misconduct.

enforce

v. to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation

synonym : execute, implement, administer

(1) **enforce** the law, (2) **enforce** a contract

Governments make rules, and police **enforce** them.

caution

n. great care and attention that you take to avoid danger or mistakes; a warning against certain acts

synonym : carefulness, warning, notice

(1) extreme **caution**, (2) act with **caution**

He gave a stern **caution** to the naughty student.

instinct

n. an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

synonym : intuition, aptitude, feeling

(1) **instinct** for self-preservation, (2) aggressive **instinct**

When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial **instinct** was to flee.

underdeveloped

adj. not fully developed or mature; lacking in progress or advancement

synonym : unadvanced, immature, backward

(1) an **underdeveloped** child, (2) remain **underdeveloped**

Many people in **underdeveloped** countries need clean water or proper healthcare access.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym : thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

thrill

n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

synonym : exhilaration, delight, rush

(1) the **thrill** of speed, (2) incredible **thrill**

Skydiving is an overwhelming **thrill** for many people.

consequence

n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

synonym : result, impact, outcome

(1) unintended **consequences**, (2) the **consequence** of an argument

These economic activities had disastrous environmental **consequences**.

escalate

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

synonym : increase, intensify, expand

(1) **escalate** into a major international incident, (2) to **escalate**

The situation quickly **escalated** and turned violent.

willingness

n. the state of being ready or inclined to do something

synonym : readiness, eagerness, enthusiasm

(1) **willingness** to help, (2) indicate a **willingness** to change

Her **willingness** to help others earned her many friends.

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.

structural

adj. associated with the way on construction or organization of anything

synonym : architectural, basic, anatomical

(1) **structural** analyses, (2) **structural** reorganization

The earthquake resulted in significant **structural** destruction.

functional

adj. designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service

synonym : applicable, practical, usable

(1) field of **functional** medicine, (2) **functional** deafness

The mobile phone was still **functional** even after being dropped.

highlight

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

synonym : feature, emphasize, stress

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

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

physically

adv. in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

(1) **physically** and mentally, (2) stay **physically** fit

Having a **physically** healthy physique is essential for a great life.

combination

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

synonym : blend, hybrid, compounding

(1) genic **combinations**, (2) **combination** number

The **combination** to the safe was a secret.

dam

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

synonym : barricade, barrier, embankment

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

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

ignore

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

synonym : neglect, disregard, shun

(1) **ignore** her advice, (2) **ignore** a ban

Since independence, the area has been completely **ignored**.

warn

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

synonym : alert, caution, admonish

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

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

defy

v. to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.

synonym : challenge, resist, disobey

(1) **defy** gravity, (2) **defy** authority

She tried to **defy** her parents by moving to the city against their wishes.

engaging

adj. attracting, pleasant, or charming

synonym : alluring, interesting, engrossing

(1) **engaging** story, (2) an **engaging** smile

She was disbarred for her **engaging** in fraud.

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym : more and more, progressively

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

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

hurdle

n. a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome

synonym : obstacle, barrier, challenge

(1) overcome **hurdles**, (2) **hurdle** race

The company faced several **hurdles** in the development of its new product.

detectable

adj. capable of being discovered or identified

synonym : perceptible, noticeable, observable

(1) a barely **detectable** change, (2) **detectable** by the human ear

The object is **detectable** at ultraviolet wavelengths.

influence

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

synonym : power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he abdicated.

over-the-top

adj. excessive, exaggerated, or beyond the bounds of what is considered reasonable, appropriate, or acceptable; showy or flamboyant to an extreme degree

synonym : excessive, exaggerated, overblown

(1) **over-the-top** performance, (2) **over-the-top** marketing

The decorations at the party were completely **over-the-top**.

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.

environment

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

synonym : atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

insight

n. the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

synonym : wisdom, discernment, understanding

(1) a profound **insight**, (2) share my **insights**

We gained various **insights** by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

numb

adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

synonym : dazed, insensitive, emotionless

(1) **numb** with cold, (2) a **numb** mind

My left arm became **numb**.

fellow

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

synonym : buddy, mate, affiliate

(1) junior **fellow**, (2) nice **fellow**

He is the kind of **fellow** who only works for his success.

intelligence

n. the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

synonym: brains, brightness, cleverness

(1) an **intelligence** test, (2) field of artificial **intelligence**

In terms of **intelligence**, he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

engineer

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

synonym: architect, creator, builder

(1) a civil **engineer**, (2) **engineer** shortage

The **engineer** will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

culmination

n. the peak highest point or climax of something, especially happening after a long time

synonym: climax, completion, ending

(1) the **culmination** of her ambition, (2) **culmination** altitude

Their achievements stand as a **culmination** of centuries of development.

territory

n. an area under the control of a ruler or state

synonym: domain, region, realm

(1) acquire **territory**, (2) **territory** in charge

They incorporated the conquered **territory** into their nation.

showcase

n. a display or exhibition of something, typically as a way of promoting it

synonym: exhibit, display, presentation

(1) museum **showcase**, (2) **showcase** of innovation

The museum's new exhibition is a **showcase** of contemporary art.

cutting-edge

adj. being at the forefront of a particular field or development; (noun) the latest or most advanced stage in the development of a specific type of work or activity

synonym : state-of-the-art, innovative, advanced

(1) **cutting-edge** molecular biology, (2) **cutting-edge** design

The **cutting-edge** technology was revolutionary in its field.

invention

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

synonym : creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**
Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

garner

v. to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention

synonym : acquire, collect, obtain

(1) **garner** good reviews, (2) **garner** attention

He used his charm and charisma to **garner** support for his campaign.

memorable

adj. worth remembering or likely to be remembered, especially because of being very important or remarkable

synonym : extraordinary, noteworthy, unforgettable

(1) create **memorable** experiences, (2) least **memorable** song

His passionate speech makes a **memorable** impression.

boom

n. a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound

synonym : roaring, prosperity, boost

(1) **boom** in sales, (2) a sonic **boom**

The high-technology industry is enjoying a **boom**.

utter

adj. complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice

synonym : absolute, complete, total

(1) **utter** nonsense, (2) **utter** a big sigh

The **utter** chaos of the concert crowd made it seem like a wild animal was in the room.

award

n. a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement

synonym : prize, honor, accolade

(1) **award** ceremony, (2) participation **award**

He won the **award** for best actor at the film festival.

ceremony

n. a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn

synonym : ritual, rite, observance

(1) **ceremony** hall, (2) **ceremony** location

The wedding **ceremony** was a beautiful and emotional event.

disbelief

n. the feeling of not being able to believe or accept that something is true or real

synonym : doubt, mistrust, incredulity

(1) **disbelief** in the authority, (2) ask in **disbelief**

His reaction was one of complete **disbelief**.

blunder

n. mistake; the act of making a foolish error

synonym : mistake, error, goof

(1) a capital **blunder**, (2) make a **blunder** in my work

The CEO's **blunder** in the meeting cost the company millions.

needless

adj. describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences

synonym : unnecessary, pointless, superfluous

(1) **needless** argument, (2) **needless** waste

This **needless** paperwork is wasting our time and resources.

recognition

n. the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal

synonym: acknowledgement, identification, credit

(1) **recognition** award, (2) joint **recognition**

He was given **recognition** for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.

valid

adj. having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable

synonym: proper, reasonable, useful

(1) a **valid** contract, (2) a ticket **valid** for two days

Your credit card is no longer **valid**.

curiosity

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

synonym: interest, inquisitiveness, novelty

(1) boundless **curiosity**, (2) satisfy my intellectual **curiosity**

We are motivated by **curiosity** rather than necessity.

strengthen

v. to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective

synonym: reinforce, harden, boost

(1) **strengthen** the immune system, (2) **strengthen** a border patrol

Difficulties **strengthen** the mind, as labor does the body.

perseverance

n. steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success

synonym: persistence, tenacity, determination

(1) unwavering **perseverance**, (2) dogged **perseverance**

Despite facing numerous setbacks and obstacles, his **perseverance** and determination led him to success.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym: fictional, ideal, fantastical

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

ordinary

adj. not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

synonym: mundane, prosaic, average

(1) an **ordinary** school, (2) **ordinary** annual revenue

The **ordinary** session of the Diet opened.

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.

inspiration

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

synonym: motivation, drive, encouragement

(1) source of **inspiration**, (2) get **inspiration** from nature

He found **inspiration** in the works of his favorite authors.

ironic

adj. using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect

synonym: sarcastic, wry, sardonic

(1) **ironic** result, (2) an **ironic** turn of events

It was **ironic** that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.

foresee

v. to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future

synonym: predict, anticipate, forecast

(1) **foresee** the consequences, (2) **foresee** challenges

I **foresee** a problem arising if we don't address this issue now.

hazardous

adj. involving risk or danger; unsafe or unhealthy

synonym: dangerous, risky, unsafe

(1) **hazardous** material, (2) **hazardous** conditions

The **hazardous** chemicals must be handled with extreme care to avoid any accidents.

withstand

v. to resist the effect or impact of something

synonym: endure, bear, resist

(1) **withstand** pressure, (2) **withstand** temptation

The new phone is waterproof and can **withstand** being dropped in water.

unconventional

adj. not following traditional or commonly accepted beliefs, practices, or customs; not conforming to established norms or standards

synonym: nontraditional, avant-garde, bizarre

(1) in an **unconventional** manner, (2) **unconventional** ideas

Her **unconventional** approach to teaching has been a hit with the students.

circumstance

n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

synonym: condition, context, environment

(1) **circumstance** of birth, (2) **circumstance** of injury

She explained the **circumstances** surrounding the accident.

tolerance

n. the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant

synonym: acceptance, patience, forbearance

(1) religious **tolerance**, (2) **tolerance** for risk

The school's diversity program aimed to promote **tolerance** and understanding among the students.

resilient

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

synonym : robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population

She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

patience

n. the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry

synonym : forbearance, endurance, tolerance

(1) test my **patience**, (2) show **patience**

Healing a broken heart requires **patience**, as it takes time to heal.

opposition

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

synonym : resistance, hostility, antagonism

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

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

function

n. the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

synonym : purpose, mapping, job

(1) **function** properly, (2) immune **function**

The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's **function**.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. res_____le for a customer service | <i>adj.</i> answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management |
| 2. pr_____le of treatment | <i>n.</i> a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works |
| 3. st_____le against discrimination | <i>v.</i> to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction |
| 4. re_____nt by a diagram | <i>v.</i> to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute |
| 5. co_____al combination of funds | <i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use |
| 6. meet with opp_____on | <i>n.</i> the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement |
| 7. face inc_____gly complicated challenges | <i>adv.</i> more and more |
| 8. en_____e a contract | <i>v.</i> to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation |
| 9. act as a dec_____ker | <i>n.</i> a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization |
| 10. psy_____gy experiment | <i>n.</i> the scientific study of mind and behavior |

ANSWERS: 1. responsible, 2. principle, 3. struggle, 4. represent, 5. communal, 6. opposition, 7. increasingly, 8. enforce, 9. decision-maker, 10. psychology

11. ut__r nonsense *adj.* complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice
12. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
13. ho_____wn memory *n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up
14. the exc_____nt in the business world *n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
15. ha_____te to coffee *v.* to accustom or become accustomed to a particular situation, habit, or behavior through repeated exposure or experience; to make something a habit or regular practice
16. st_____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
17. feel a bit gu____y *adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
18. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
19. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
20. act with ca_____n *n.* great care and attention that you take to avoid danger or mistakes; a warning against certain acts

ANSWERS: 11. utter, 12. incredibly, 13. hometown, 14. excitement, 15. habituate, 16. struggle, 17. guilty, 18. concept, 19. crazy, 20. caution

21. ba__s for calculation *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
22. a capital bl_____r *n.* mistake; the act of making a foolish error
23. su_____se team activity *v.* to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility
24. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
25. il_____t trade *adj.* forbidden by law, rules, or custom; not approved of or socially acceptable
26. bl__e circumstances for the failure *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
27. quintet ch__r *n.* a group of singers, especially one that sings in a church or cathedral
28. ele_____phy test *n.* (also "EEG") a diagnostic medical procedure that involves the use of electrodes placed on the scalp to measure and record the electrical activity of the brain often used to assess and diagnose various neurological conditions
29. ob_____e wildlife *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

ANSWERS: 21. basis, 22. blunder, 23. supervise, 24. environment, 25. illicit, 26. blame, 27. choir, 28. electroencephalography, 29. observe

30. development of the ne_____s system *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
31. genic com_____ons *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
32. a sonic b__m *n.* a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
33. p__y of beast *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
34. d__y gravity *v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
35. two-ph__e structure *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
36. every ni__e of society *n.* a specialized role or position that a species occupies within an ecosystem; a job or position particularly well suited to the person who occupies it
37. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
38. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
39. mi__c a human voice *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh

ANSWERS: 30. nervous, 31. combination, 32. boom, 33. prey, 34. defy, 35. phase, 36. niche, 37. decide, 38. inspire, 39. mimic

40. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
41. afraid to show em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
42. fo_____e the consequences *v.* to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future
43. as_____te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
44. share my in_____ts *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
45. sh_____se of innovation *n.* a display or exhibition of something, typically as a way of promoting it
46. se_____ze cells to radiation *v.* to make someone or something more responsive to a particular stimulus or condition; to increase awareness or understanding of an issue, problem, or situation
47. com_____le sales *adj.* able to link the similarities or differences with others; similar or equivalent to someone or something
48. pa_____rk process *n.* administrative tasks that involve writing or typing documents

ANSWERS: 40. debate, 41. emotion, 42. foresee, 43. associate, 44. insight, 45. showcase, 46. sensitize, 47. comparable, 48. paperwork

49. the characters that re_____nt numbers
v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
50. as_____te alcohol with gambling
v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
51. gu____y verdict
adj. feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
52. ov_____me opponents
v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
53. re__r to a book
v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
54. pu_____d by the question
adj. confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
55. many tem_____ons
n. the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire
56. details of his pr_____al
n. a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
57. 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: 49. represent, 50. associate, 51. guilty, 52. overcome, 53. refer, 54. puzzled, 55. temptation, 56. proposal, 57. develop

58. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
59. ge_____hy class *n.* a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
60. st_____rn stains *adj.* refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change
61. professional at _____cs *n.* the physical activities or sports that involve physical exertion and competition, such as running, jumping, throwing, or walking
62. una_____ng appearance *adj.* not arrogant, bold, or forward
63. con_____te a large sum of money to the fund *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
64. secret ing_____nts *n.* one of the things used to make something, especially one of the foods used to make a particular dish
65. cut_____dge design *adj.* being at the forefront of a particular field or development; (noun) the latest or most advanced stage in the development of a specific type of work or activity
66. va_____te a passport *v.* to check or prove that something is true; to make something officially or legally acceptable or approved
67. enter on the last ph__e *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development

ANSWERS: 58. emotional, 59. geography, 60. stubborn, 61. athletics, 62. unassuming, 63. contribute, 64. ingredient, 65. cutting-edge, 66. validate, 67. phase

68. det _____le by the human ear *adj.* capable of being discovered or identified
69. d_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
70. rel _____ss attack *adj.* persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks
71. ex _____d to radiation *adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
72. cr _____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
73. the branch of neu _____nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
74. indicate a wil _____ss to change *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
75. knit a sc __f *n.* a piece of cloth worn around the neck or head for warmth, cleanliness, fashion, or religious reasons
76. complete no _____ly *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
77. ho _____wn celebrity *n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up
78. pr _____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 68. detectable, 69. dam, 70. relentless, 71. exposed, 72. creative, 73. neuroscience, 74. willingness, 75. scarf, 76. normally, 77. hometown, 78. process

79. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
80. ex_____t a topic *n.* the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired
81. field of artificial int_____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
82. ne_____ss waste *adj.* describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences
83. have the in_____ve talent *adj.* able to come up with novel and unique ideas
84. on an equal ba__s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
85. tracking de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
86. in an unc_____nal manner *adj.* not following traditional or commonly accepted beliefs, practices, or customs; not conforming to established norms or standards
87. d__m wrong or inappropriate *v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way
88. withstand tem_____on *n.* the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire

ANSWERS: 79. transform, 80. exhaust, 81. intelligence, 82. needless, 83. inventive, 84. basis, 85. device, 86. unconventional, 87. deem, 88. temptation

89. bl__t criticism *adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive
90. se_____ze the immune system *v.* to make someone or something more responsive to a particular stimulus or condition; to increase awareness or understanding of an issue, problem, or situation
91. en_____ng story *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
92. ig___e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
93. d__e not go *v.* to have the courage to do something
94. al_____ng news *adj.* causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing
95. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
96. ga___e \$100 on the race *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
97. fr_____te other team members *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
98. the s__m of a matchstick *n.* the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in

ANSWERS: 89. blunt, 90. sensitize, 91. engaging, 92. ignore, 93. dare, 94. alarming, 95. opportune, 96. gamble, 97. frustrate, 98. stem

99. wi_____nd pressure
v. to resist the effect or impact of something
100. str_____en the immune system
v. to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective
101. im_____nt communities
n. a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently
102. acquire te_____ry
n. an area under the control of a ruler or state
103. ut__r a big sigh
adj. complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice
104. basic br__n function
n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
105. la_____y accepted
adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree
106. ent_____tic audience
adj. having or showing great excitement, interest, or eagerness; energetic or passionate about something
107. college che_____er
n. a person who leads cheers and chants at organized sports events, typically wearing a uniform and performing choreographed routines
108. in_____ce the daily life
n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

ANSWERS: 99. withstand, 100. strengthen, 101. immigrant, 102. territory, 103. utter, 104. brain, 105. largely, 106. enthusiastic, 107. cheerleader, 108. influence

109. a working dr__t	<i>n.</i> a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form
110. b__m in sales	<i>n.</i> a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
111. il____t drugs	<i>adj.</i> forbidden by law, rules, or custom; not approved of or socially acceptable
112. in_____ce a child's future	<i>n.</i> the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
113. p__r review	<i>n.</i> a person who has the same age, status, or ability
114. re__r to a map	<i>v.</i> to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
115. en_____e the law	<i>v.</i> to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation
116. become p__y to terrorists	<i>n.</i> the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
117. a sense of wel_____ng	<i>n.</i> the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
118. stay phy_____ly fit	<i>adv.</i> in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
119. hom_____us society	<i>adj.</i> consisting of or composed of parts that are similar or identical in nature, kind, or character; uniform in structure or composition

ANSWERS: 109. draft, 110. boom, 111. illicit, 112. influence, 113. peer, 114. refer, 115. enforce, 116. prey, 117. well-being, 118. physically, 119. homogeneous

120. rec_____on award *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
121. accident-pr__e *adj.* inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward
122. at___d service *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
123. compound the ing_____nts *n.* one of the things used to make something, especially one of the foods used to make a particular dish
124. pr_____t when she will arrive *v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
125. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
126. cost of solar pa__ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
127. abnormal
ele_____phy *n.* (also "EEG") a diagnostic medical procedure that involves the use of electrodes placed on the scalp to measure and record the electrical activity of the brain often used to assess and diagnose various neurological conditions

ANSWERS: 120. recognition, 121. prone, 122. attend, 123. ingredient, 124. predict, 125. excite, 126. panel, 127. electroencephalography

128. my vo_____er work *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
129. cir_____nce of birth *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
130. ga___e away my fortune *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
131. fr_____nt absence *adj.* happening constantly
132. in_____ve approach *adj.* able to come up with novel and unique ideas
133. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
134. 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
135. high school at_____cs *n.* the physical activities or sports that involve physical exertion and competition, such as running, jumping, throwing, or walking
136. official score cer_____te *n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true
137. an ob_____le to progress *n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

ANSWERS: 128. volunteer, 129. circumstance, 130. gamble, 131. frequent, 132. inventive, 133. engineer, 134. develop, 135. athletics, 136. certificate, 137. obstacle

138. wi_____nd temptation *v.* to resist the effect or impact of something
139. cir_____nce of injury *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
140. die su_____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
141. a ticket va__d for two days *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
142. diluted al_____l *n.* a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.
143. co_____e an average score *v.* to make a mathematical calculation
144. with fr_____c haste *adj.* marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied
145. a ne_____ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
146. religious to_____ce *n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant
147. ir____c result *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
148. si_____te a future scenario *v.* to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes

ANSWERS: 138. withstand, 139. circumstance, 140. suddenly, 141. valid, 142. alcohol, 143. compute, 144. frantic, 145. negative, 146. tolerance, 147. ironic, 148. simulate

149. policy dec_____ker *n.* a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization
150. hu___e race *n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
151. unc_____nal ideas *adj.* not following traditional or commonly accepted beliefs, practices, or customs; not conforming to established norms or standards
152. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
153. phy_____ly and mentally *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
154. co_____t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
155. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
156. co_____t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
157. junior fe___w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
158. to_____ce for risk *n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant
159. fo_____e challenges *v.* to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future

ANSWERS: 149. decision-maker, 150. hurdle, 151. unconventional, 152. determinant, 153. physically, 154. conduct, 155. imaginary, 156. conduct, 157. fellow, 158. tolerance, 159. foresee

160. platinum el_____des *n.* either of two points or ends of a conductor at which electricity enters or leaves an object, substance, or region
161. change ri__y behavior *adj.* involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss
162. or_____ry annual revenue *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
163. alcohol bi__e *n.* a period of excessive or uncontrolled consumption, often of food or alcohol; a spree or bout of reckless behavior or indulgence
164. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
165. in a re_____ss manner *adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
166. cut_____dge molecular biology *adj.* being at the forefront of a particular field or development; (noun) the latest or most advanced stage in the development of a specific type of work or activity
167. a ri__y enterprise *adj.* involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss
168. at___d a meeting *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
169. in_____ct for self-preservation *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

ANSWERS: 160. electrode, 161. risky, 162. ordinary, 163. binge, 164. invention, 165. reckless, 166. cutting-edge, 167. risky, 168. attend, 169. instinct

170. a det_____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
171. t__e cycle *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
172. cul_____on altitude *n.* the peak highest point or climax of something, especially happening after a long time
173. uni_____nal insult *adj.* not done or made on purpose; accidental
174. write the first dr__t *n.* a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form
175. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
176. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
177. express fru_____on *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
178. va_____te a hypothesis *v.* to check or prove that something is true; to make something officially or legally acceptable or approved
179. che_____er tryouts *n.* a person who leads cheers and chants at organized sports events, typically wearing a uniform and performing choreographed routines
180. ce_____ny location *n.* a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn

ANSWERS: 170. determinant, 171. tide, 172. culmination, 173. unintentional, 174. draft, 175. responsible, 176. crazy, 177. frustration, 178. validate, 179. cheerleader, 180. ceremony

181. co_____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
182. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
183. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
184. fr_____c pace *adj.* marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied
185. l_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
186. extreme ca_____n *n.* great care and attention that you take to avoid danger or mistakes; a warning against certain acts
187. field of fun_____al medicine *adj.* designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service
188. ha_____te to exercise *v.* to accustom or become accustomed to a particular situation, habit, or behavior through repeated exposure or experience; to make something a habit or regular practice
189. a profound in_____t *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
190. rel_____on techniques *n.* a state of being free from tension, stress, or anxiety; a condition of being relaxed, calm, and comfortable; a period of rest or leisure

ANSWERS: 181. concept, 182. invention, 183. transform, 184. frantic, 185. lab, 186. caution, 187. functional, 188. habituate, 189. insight, 190. relaxation

191. bl__e the lack of knowledge *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
192. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
193. criminal gu__t *n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
194. ride the t__e of change *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
195. inc_____gly become common *adv.* more and more
196. er_____te the deficit *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
197. a com_____le amount of energy *adj.* able to link the similarities or differences with others; similar or equivalent to someone or something
198. fashion me___r *n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
199. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
200. ob_____e a tradition *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
201. es_____te into a major international incident *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

ANSWERS: 191. blame, 192. participate, 193. guilt, 194. tide, 195. increasingly, 196. eradicate, 197. comparable, 198. mentor, 199. environment, 200. observe, 201. escalate

202. stop drinking al____l *n.* a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.
203. electronic de____e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
204. vul____le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
205. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
206. ex____t pipe *n.* the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired
207. master c__f *n.* a cook, especially the chief cook in a restaurant or hotel
208. co____e the value *v.* to make a mathematical calculation
209. com____on number *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
210. ga____r attention *v.* to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention
211. nice fe____w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
212. incredible th____l *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

ANSWERS: 202. alcohol, 203. device, 204. vulnerable, 205. grade, 206. exhaust, 207. chef, 208. compute, 209. combination, 210. garner, 211. fellow, 212. thrill

213. rel_____on music *n.* a state of being free from tension, stress, or anxiety; a condition of being relaxed, calm, and comfortable; a period of rest or leisure
214. to es_____te *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
215. lab_____ry accident *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
216. de_____e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
217. hi_____ht an important difference *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
218. di_____ef in the authority *n.* the feeling of not being able to believe or accept that something is true or real
219. ha_____us conditions *adj.* involving risk or danger; unsafe or unhealthy
220. met_____gy for optimizing *n.* a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
221. an_____y detection *n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand
222. least me_____le song *adj.* worth remembering or likely to be remembered, especially because of being very important or remarkable

ANSWERS: 213. relaxation, 214. escalate, 215. laboratory, 216. debate, 217. highlight, 218. disbelief, 219. hazardous, 220. methodology, 221. anomaly, 222. memorable

223. research met_____gy *n.* a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
224. 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
225. overcome hu____es *n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
226. a va__d contract *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
227. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
228. a theoretical concept in
neu_____nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
229. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
230. face rel_____ss pressure *adj.* persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks
231. cu_____e partition *n.* a small, partitioned area or booth intended for working or studying, often in an office or educational setting
232. fun_____al deafness *adj.* designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service
233. walk around in a d__e *n.* the feeling of distress and disbelief that you have when something bad happens accidentally; (verb) to confuse or stun someone with a sudden intense light or loud noise

ANSWERS: 223. methodology, 224. policy, 225. hurdle, 226. valid, 227. participate, 228. neuroscience, 229. brain, 230. relentless, 231. cubicle, 232. functional, 233. daze

234. ne____ss argument *adj.* describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences
235. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
236. ig___e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
237. an int_____nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
238. w__n a reckless driver *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
239. an und_____ped child *adj.* not fully developed or mature; lacking in progress or advancement
240. pr_____t the future *v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
241. a barely det_____le change *adj.* capable of being discovered or identified
242. te_____ry in charge *n.* an area under the control of a ruler or state
243. feeling of gu__t *n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
244. avoid uni_____nal harm *adj.* not done or made on purpose; accidental

ANSWERS: 234. needless, 235. excite, 236. ignore, 237. intelligence, 238. warn, 239. underdeveloped, 240. predict, 241. detectable, 242. territory, 243. guilt, 244. unintentional

245. coffee with the ca_____ne removed *n.* a stimulant drug that is found in coffee, tea, and other beverages and that is used to increase alertness and improve mental and physical performance
246. er_____te racial discrimination *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
247. c__f knife *n.* a cook, especially the chief cook in a restaurant or hotel
248. unwavering per_____nce *n.* steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success
249. a n__b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
250. joint rec_____on *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
251. re_____nt population *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
252. not no_____ly drink much *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
253. an und_____ng cause of an accident *adj.* significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly
254. aw__d ceremony *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
255. el_____de corrosion *n.* either of two points or ends of a conductor at which electricity enters or leaves an object, substance, or region

ANSWERS: 245. caffeine, 246. eradicate, 247. chef, 248. perseverance, 249. numb, 250. recognition, 251. resilient, 252. normally, 253. underlying, 254. award, 255. electrode

256. psy_____gy of crowd	<i>n.</i>	the scientific study of mind and behavior
257. ask in di_____ef	<i>n.</i>	the feeling of not being able to believe or accept that something is true or real
258. a southern ex_____re	<i>n.</i>	the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
259. s__m from a belief	<i>n.</i>	the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in
260. fru_____on level	<i>n.</i>	the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
261. fr_____te the advancement	<i>v.</i>	to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
262. str_____al reorganization	<i>adj.</i>	associated with the way on construction or organization of anything
263. dotted sc__f	<i>n.</i>	a piece of cloth worn around the neck or head for warmth, cleanliness, fashion, or religious reasons
264. make a bl_____r in my work	<i>n.</i>	mistake; the act of making a foolish error
265. a primary sc_____er	<i>n.</i>	a student who attends a school

ANSWERS: 256. psychology, 257. disbelief, 258. exposure, 259. stem, 260. frustration, 261. frustrate, 262. structural, 263. scarf, 264. blunder, 265. schooler

266. dogged per_____nce *n.* steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success
267. sma_____ne app developer *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
268. camping cu_____e *n.* a small, partitioned area or booth intended for working or studying, often in an office or educational setting
269. museum sh_____se *n.* a display or exhibition of something, typically as a way of promoting it
270. pa__l discussion *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
271. boundless cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
272. d__e of sleep *n.* the feeling of distress and disbelief that you have when something bad happens accidentally; (verb) to confuse or stun someone with a sudden intense light or loud noise
273. pr__e to diarrhea *adj.* inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward
274. ad__t fully to the environment *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment

ANSWERS: 266. perseverance, 267. smartphone, 268. cubicle, 269. showcase, 270. panel, 271. curiosity, 272. daze, 273. prone, 274. adapt

275. w__ned me of the plan *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
276. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
277. fu_____on properly *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
278. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
279. satisfy my intellectual cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
280. ce_____ny hall *n.* a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn
281. bureaucratic pa_____rk *n.* administrative tasks that involve writing or typing documents
282. str_____en a border patrol *v.* to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective
283. show pa_____ce *n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry

ANSWERS: 275. warn, 276. opposition, 277. function, 278. opportune, 279. curiosity, 280. ceremony, 281. paperwork, 282. strengthen, 283. patience

284. control my em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
285. anthropology lab_____ry *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
286. si_____te climate change *v.* to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes
287. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
288. aesthetic exc_____nt *n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
289. get ne_____s *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
290. inv_____te a data leak *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
291. a birth cer_____te *n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true
292. ni__e market *n.* a specialized role or position that a species occupies within an ecosystem; a job or position particularly well suited to the person who occupies it
293. noise reduction he_____t *n.* a pair of headphones, typically with a microphone attached
294. d__y authority *v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.

ANSWERS: 284. emotion, 285. laboratory, 286. simulate, 287. emotional, 288. excitement, 289. nervous, 290. investigate, 291. certificate, 292. niche, 293. headset, 294. defy

295. con_____te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
296. n__b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
297. p__r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
298. immune fu_____on *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
299. create me_____le experiences *adj.* worth remembering or likely to be remembered, especially because of being very important or remarkable
300. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
301. bl__t force *adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive
302. 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: 295. contribute, 296. numb, 297. peer, 298. function, 299. memorable, 300. experiment, 301. blunt, 302. policy

303. co_____e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
304. d_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
305. an ir____c turn of events *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
306. su_____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
307. ch__r performance *n.* a group of singers, especially one that sings in a church or cathedral
308. pu_____d expression *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
309. an im_____nt from the country *n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently
310. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
311. sc_____er uniform *n.* a student who attends a school
312. ga____r good reviews *v.* to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention
313. an una_____ng fashion *adj.* not arrogant, bold, or forward
314. ov_____me all difficulties *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

ANSWERS: 303. confuse, 304. dam, 305. ironic, 306. suddenly, 307. choir, 308. puzzled, 309. immigrant, 310. grade, 311. schooler, 312. garner, 313. unassuming, 314. overcome

315. me___r for life *n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
316. sma_____ne addict *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
317. an or_____ry school *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
318. make a da___g face *adj.* brave and taking risks
319. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
320. the wel_____ng of a nation *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
321. mi__c numerous instruments *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
322. ent_____tic football fan *adj.* having or showing great excitement, interest, or eagerness; energetic or passionate about something
323. ob_____le avoidance *n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
324. pr_____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
325. st_____rn attitude *adj.* refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change

ANSWERS: 315. mentor, 316. smartphone, 317. ordinary, 318. daring, 319. incredibly, 320. well-being, 321. mimic, 322. enthusiastic, 323. obstacle, 324. principle, 325. stubborn

326. an ex____d rock *adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
327. participation aw__d *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
328. an innovative pr____al *n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
329. co____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
330. nec____ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
331. hi____ht a string in red *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
332. al____ng statistics *adj.* causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing
333. the cul____on of her ambition *n.* the peak highest point or climax of something, especially happening after a long time
334. bi__e on social media *n.* a period of excessive or uncontrolled consumption, often of food or alcohol; a spree or bout of reckless behavior or indulgence
335. met____sly crafted product *adv.* with great attention to detail; thoroughly and carefully
336. not nec____ly a problem *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
337. medical l_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

ANSWERS: 326. exposed, 327. award, 328. proposal, 329. communal, 330. necessarily, 331. highlight, 332. alarming, 333. culmination, 334. binge, 335. meticulously, 336. necessarily, 337. lab

338. d__e to take risks *v.* to have the courage to do something
339. met_____sly executed *adv.* with great attention to detail; thoroughly and carefully
340. aggressive in_____ct *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
341. fr_____nt use *adj.* happening constantly
342. have a ne_____ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
343. source of ins_____on *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
344. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
345. hom_____us culture *adj.* consisting of or composed of parts that are similar or identical in nature, kind, or character; uniform in structure or composition
346. an und_____ng motive *adj.* significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly
347. get ins_____on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

ANSWERS: 338. dare, 339. meticulously, 340. instinct, 341. frequent, 342. negative, 343. inspiration, 344. inspire, 345. homogeneous, 346. underlying, 347. inspiration

348. da___g escape *adj.* brave and taking risks
349. the ex____re of a fraud *n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
350. inv____te the matter *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
351. c__b appetite *v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk
352. barren of cr____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
353. unintended con____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
354. he____t with a microphone *n.* a pair of headphones, typically with a microphone attached
355. global temperature an____y *n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand
356. ha____us material *adj.* involving risk or danger; unsafe or unhealthy

ANSWERS: 348. daring, 349. exposure, 350. investigate, 351. curb, 352. creative, 353. consequence, 354. headset, 355. anomaly, 356. hazardous

357. ove_____top marketing *adj.* excessive, exaggerated, or beyond the bounds of what is considered reasonable, appropriate, or acceptable; showy or flamboyant to an extreme degree
358. series of exp_____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
359. seek vo_____ers *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
360. su_____se entrance test takers *v.* to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility
361. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
362. test my pa_____ce *n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry
363. ove_____top performance *adj.* excessive, exaggerated, or beyond the bounds of what is considered reasonable, appropriate, or acceptable; showy or flamboyant to an extreme degree

ANSWERS: 357. over-the-top, 358. experiment, 359. volunteer, 360. supervise, 361. process, 362. patience, 363. over-the-top

364. economic ge_____hy *n.* a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
365. co_____e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
366. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
367. an en_____ng smile *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
368. str_____al analyses *adj.* associated with the way on construction or organization of anything
369. ca_____ne intake *n.* a stimulant drug that is found in coffee, tea, and other beverages and that is used to increase alertness and improve mental and physical performance
370. remain und_____ped *adj.* not fully developed or mature; lacking in progress or advancement
371. c__b anxiety *v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk
372. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
373. wil_____ss to help *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
374. re_____ss driving *adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
375. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 364. geography, 365. confuse, 366. imaginary, 367. engaging, 368. structural, 369. caffeine, 370. underdeveloped, 371. curb, 372. consequence, 373. willingness, 374. reckless, 375. decide

376. a vul_____le bridge *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
377. a civil en_____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
378. a hard and re_____nt steel *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
379. la_____y mitigate the issue *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
380. the th____l of speed *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
381. ad__t as needed *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
382. d__m socially responsible *v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way

ANSWERS: 376. vulnerable, 377. engineer, 378. resilient, 379. largely, 380. thrill, 381. adapt, 382. deem

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We are trying to _____ this disease from the world.
v. to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
2. He used his charm and charisma to _____ support for his campaign.
v. to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention
3. The break in the ____ threatened the valley.
n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
4. I worked in an office _____ surrounded by walls and fluorescent lights.
n. a small, partitioned area or booth intended for working or studying, often in an office or educational setting
5. He was given _____ for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.
n. the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
6. It is important to _____ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.
v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
7. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

ANSWERS: 1. eradicate, 2. garner, 3. dam, 4. cubicle, 5. recognition, 6. observe, 7. environment

8. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.
n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
9. 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
10. The _____ principle of every business was identical.
adj. significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly
11. Many people in _____ countries need clean water or proper healthcare access.
adj. not fully developed or mature; lacking in progress or advancement
12. The _____ chemicals must be handled with extreme care to avoid any accidents.
adj. involving risk or danger; unsafe or unhealthy
13. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something
14. Yoga is a great way to promote _____ and reduce stress.
n. a state of being free from tension, stress, or anxiety; a condition of being relaxed, calm, and comfortable; a period of rest or leisure
15. He is very popular at school because he can _____ all the teachers' accents.
v. to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh

ANSWERS: 8. emotions, 9. decide, 10. underlying, 11. underdeveloped, 12. hazardous, 13. participated, 14. relaxation, 15. mimic

16. His heartaches are less _____ now.

adj. happening constantly

17. Greed is the primary _____ in the making of criminals.

n. one of the things used to make something, especially one of the foods used to make a particular dish

18. He suffers from _____ breakdowns.

adj. worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves

19. He is the kind of _____ who only works for his success.

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

20. I don't _____ take a vacation in the middle of summer.

adv. usually; under normal conditions

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

adv. more and more

22. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.

n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

23. My left arm became _____.

adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

24. Her choices become increasingly _____ and creative.

adj. brave and taking risks

ANSWERS: 16. frequent, 17. ingredient, 18. nervous, 19. fellow, 20. normally, 21. increasingly, 22. consequences, 23. numb, 24. daring

25. Tech companies often employ _____ ducts and other materials in their office interiors.
adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
26. She stayed up all night _____ her favorite TV show.
n. a period of excessive or uncontrolled consumption, often of food or alcohol; a spree or bout of reckless behavior or indulgence
27. After much contemplation, the suspect decided to plead _____ to the theft charge.
adj. feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
28. Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral _____.
n. the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
29. The factory's _____ fumes polluted the air and affected the health of the nearby residents.
n. the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired
30. The new phone is waterproof and can _____ being dropped in water.
v. to resist the effect or impact of something
31. The _____ of the upcoming concert was palpable among the crowd.
n. a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
32. Little children tend to have _____ friends.
adj. existing only in someone's mind

ANSWERS: 25. exposed, 26. binge-watching, 27. guilty, 28. neuroscience, 29. exhaust, 30. withstand, 31. excitement, 32. imaginary

33. He was so _____ about his beliefs that he refused to listen to any other points of view.

adj. refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change

34. Governments make rules, and police _____ them.

v. to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation

35. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

36. During debates in the legislature, the _____ of the law caused a lot of controversies.

n. a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form

37. The _____ at the restaurant was known for his creative and delicious dishes.

n. a cook, especially the chief cook in a restaurant or hotel

38. Among young people, _____ pressure can be pretty influential.

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

39. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

40. It is extremely _____ to sail in such a storm.

adj. involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss

ANSWERS: 33. stubborn, 34. enforce, 35. process, 36. draft, 37. chef, 38. peer, 39. inspired, 40. risky

41. He often traveled abroad alone when he was in high _____.
- n.* a student who attends a school
42. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
- n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
43. 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
44. I tried to _____ the efficiency of the investment.
- v.* to make a mathematical calculation
45. He gave a stern _____ to the naughty student.
- n.* great care and attention that you take to avoid danger or mistakes; a warning against certain acts
46. She had a master's degree in _____.
- n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
47. Will you _____ on the result of the fight?
- v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
48. The museum's new exhibition is a _____ of contemporary art.
- n.* a display or exhibition of something, typically as a way of promoting it

ANSWERS: 41. schooler, 42. determinant, 43. develop, 44. compute, 45. caution, 46. psychology, 47. gamble, 48. showcase

49. Professional game players pay the latest attention to the sound quality of their _____.
- n.* a pair of headphones, typically with a microphone attached
50. Please _____ to the instruction manual for further assistance.
- v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
51. All language around the world is consistently _____ but not intrusive.
- adj.* able to come up with novel and unique ideas
52. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.
- adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
53. The sudden drop in the stock market was an _____ that puzzled many investors.
- n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand
54. The _____ for the loan application was extensive.
- n.* administrative tasks that involve writing or typing documents
55. There is a clear association between _____ consumption and cognitive decline.
- n.* a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.
56. He was _____ to making rash decisions.
- adj.* inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward

ANSWERS: 49. headsets, 50. refer, 51. inventive, 52. incredibly, 53. anomaly, 54. paperwork, 55. alcohol, 56. prone

57. Her _____ approach to teaching has been a hit with the students.
adj. not following traditional or commonly accepted beliefs, practices, or customs; not conforming to established norms or standards
58. It's notoriously challenging to _____ birth rates.
v. to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
59. The mistake was _____ and made in good faith.
adj. not done or made on purpose; accidental
60. The _____ to the safe was a secret.
n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
61. As a _____ he helped me realize my career.
n. a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
62. He was in a _____ from the sudden news and couldn't process it properly.
n. the feeling of distress and disbelief that you have when something bad happens accidentally; (verb) to confuse or stun someone with a sudden intense light or loud noise
63. I advised him to _____ to his new surroundings.
v. to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
64. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.
n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

ANSWERS: 57. unconventional, 58. predict, 59. unintentional, 60. combination, 61. mentor, 62. daze, 63. adapt, 64. influence

65. Her _____ to help others earned her many friends.
n. the state of being ready or inclined to do something
66. Their achievements stand as a _____ of centuries of development.
n. the peak highest point or climax of something, especially happening after a long time
67. Shame and _____ have significant social influences.
n. the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
68. When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial _____ was to flee.
n. an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
69. 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
70. He won the _____ for best actor at the film festival.
n. a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
71. The mobile phone was still _____ even after being dropped.
adj. designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service
72. The situation quickly _____ and turned violent.
v. to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

ANSWERS: 65. willingness, 66. culmination, 67. guilt, 68. instinct, 69. immigrants, 70. award, 71. functional, 72. escalated

73. His _____ showed highly positive results.
n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
74. This evidence will form the _____ for our discussion.
n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
75. This _____ paperwork is wasting our time and resources.
adj. describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences
76. The school's diversity program aimed to promote _____ and understanding among the students.
n. the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant
77. The mother was _____ as she searched for her lost child.
adj. marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied
78. This accident was something that happened _____.
adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
79. The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's _____.
n. the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
80. The majority of snakes swallow their _____ whole.
n. the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating

ANSWERS: 73. experiments, 74. basis, 75. needless, 76. tolerance, 77. frantic, 78. necessarily, 79. function, 80. prey

81. The long _____ to the air tarnished the antique tableware.
n. the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
82. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.
adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
83. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.
adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
84. She is an _____ technician skilled in performing EEG tests on patients.
n. (also "EEG") a diagnostic medical procedure that involves the use of electrodes placed on the scalp to measure and record the electrical activity of the brain often used to assess and diagnose various neurological conditions
85. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
86. The _____ course was challenging but fun.
n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
87. Necessity is the mother of _____.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 81. exposure, 82. creative, 83. vulnerable, 84. electroencephalography, 85. responsible, 86. obstacle, 87. invention

88. 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

89. He had painted the wood to _____ stone.

v. to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes

90. She was the captain of the _____ squad in high school.

n. a person who leads cheers and chants at organized sports events, typically wearing a uniform and performing choreographed routines

91. It was _____ that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.

adj. using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect

92. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

93. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

adj. relating to people's feelings

94. The committee _____ several apparent inconsistencies.

v. to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth

ANSWERS: 88. represent, 89. simulate, 90. cheerleader, 91. ironic, 92. opportune, 93. emotional, 94. investigated

95. Who answers _____ knows little.

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

96. A wealth of information does not always have a positive impact on _____.

n. a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization

97. In terms of _____ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

n. the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

98. She did well on her _____ exam.

n. a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth

99. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.

n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

100. The sudden rise in crime rates in our neighborhood is quite _____.

adj. causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing

101. A rose has thorns on its _____.

n. the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in

102. Our skeleton outline of the _____ met with much opposition.

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

ANSWERS: 95. suddenly, 96. decision-makers, 97. intelligence, 98. geography, 99. device, 100. alarming, 101. stem, 102. proposal

103. Regarding earthquakes, some commercial buildings were _____ unsafe.

v. to consider or decide something in a particular way

104. The object is _____ at ultraviolet wavelengths.

adj. capable of being discovered or identified

105. Difficulties _____ the mind, as labor does the body.

v. to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective

106. Her remarks _____ the debate.

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

107. She explained the _____ surrounding the accident.

n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

108. The news of her promotion _____ her.

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

109. The _____ knife made it difficult to cut through the tough steak.

adj. having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive

110. Skydiving is an overwhelming _____ for many people.

n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

111. The wedding _____ was a beautiful and emotional event.

n. a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn

ANSWERS: 103. deemed, 104. detectable, 105. strengthen, 106. confused, 107. circumstances, 108. excited, 109. blunt, 110. thrill, 111. ceremony

112. Researchers often succumb to the _____ of accolades and commit research misconduct.
- n.* the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire
113. Healing a broken heart requires _____ as it takes time to heal.
- n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry
114. She was _____ by the strange behavior of her cat.
- adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
115. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.
- v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
116. He found _____ in the works of his favorite authors.
- n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
117. Your credit card is no longer _____.
- adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
118. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
- n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
119. It takes time to _____ to a new work schedule, but eventually, it becomes routine.
- v.* to accustom or become accustomed to a particular situation, habit, or behavior through repeated exposure or experience; to make something a habit or regular practice

ANSWERS: 112. temptation, 113. patience, 114. puzzled, 115. conduct, 116. inspiration, 117. valid, 118. engineer, 119. habituate

120. I wouldn't _____ to speak to him like that.

v. to have the courage to do something

121. Despite facing numerous setbacks and obstacles, his _____ and determination led him to success.

n. steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success

122. The CEO's _____ in the meeting cost the company millions.

n. mistake; the act of making a foolish error

123. The athlete's _____ training paid off in the end.

adj. persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks

124. The company faced several _____ in the development of its new product.

n. a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome

125. The coach explained a strategy to _____ the opponent's schemes to the players.

v. to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

126. His passionate speech makes a _____ impression.

adj. worth remembering or likely to be remembered, especially because of being very important or remarkable

127. _____ youth makes rueful age.

adj. marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions

ANSWERS: 120. dare, 121. perseverance, 122. blunder, 123. relentless, 124. hurdles, 125. frustrate, 126. memorable, 127. Reckless

128. We gained various _____ by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

n. the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

129. She was _____ about starting her new job.

adj. having or showing great excitement, interest, or eagerness; energetic or passionate about something

130. Nevada is _____ a desert state.

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

131. The population in the rural area was very _____ with everyone having the same cultural and ethnic background.

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

132. They incorporated the conquered _____ into their nation.

n. an area under the control of a ruler or state

133. She _____ planned every detail of her wedding.

adv. with great attention to detail; thoroughly and carefully

134. Since independence, the area has been completely _____.

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

135. She is a _____ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

ANSWERS: 128. insights, 129. enthusiastic, 130. largely, 131. homogeneous, 132. territory, 133. meticulously, 134. ignored, 135. resilient

136. The _____ chaos of the concert crowd made it seem like a wild animal was in the room.
- adj.* complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice
137. Humans and apes have _____ anatomical structures.
- adj.* able to link the similarities or differences with others; similar or equivalent to someone or something
138. The teachers make full use of _____ assistance.
- n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
139. A _____ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.
- n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
140. The gospel _____ sang beautifully at the church service.
- n.* a group of singers, especially one that sings in a church or cathedral
141. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.
- n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
142. We are developing a new _____ for assessing marketing measures.
- n.* a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
143. He could not _____ against temptation.
- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

ANSWERS: 136. utter, 137. comparable, 138. volunteer, 139. panel, 140. choir, 141. concept, 142. methodology, 143. struggle

144. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

145. His reaction was one of complete _____.

n. the feeling of not being able to believe or accept that something is true or real

146. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

147. We must _____ to this matter.

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

148. 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

149. The introduction _____ the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant

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

150. She wrapped a _____ around her neck to keep warm.

n. a piece of cloth worn around the neck or head for warmth, cleanliness, fashion, or religious reasons

151. Red _____ is often harmful to the local ecosystem.

n. the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull

ANSWERS: 144. crazy, 145. disbelief, 146. Communal, 147. attend, 148. policy, 149. highlighted, 150. scarf, 151. tide

152. She excelled in _____ during high school and went on to compete at the collegiate level.
- n.* the physical activities or sports that involve physical exertion and competition, such as running, jumping, throwing, or walking
153. The decorations at the party were completely _____.
- adj.* excessive, exaggerated, or beyond the bounds of what is considered reasonable, appropriate, or acceptable; showy or flamboyant to an extreme degree
154. She tried to _____ her parents by moving to the city against their wishes.
- v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
155. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.
- n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
156. The species occupies a unique _____ in the ecosystem as a top predator.
- n.* a specialized role or position that a species occupies within an ecosystem; a job or position particularly well suited to the person who occupies it
157. Having a _____ healthy physique is essential for a great life.
- adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
158. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.
- v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
159. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
- n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

ANSWERS: 152. athletics, 153. over-the-top, 154. defy, 155. brain, 156. niche, 157. physically, 158. contribute, 159. opposition

160. She was disbarred for her _____ in fraud.

adj. attracting, pleasant, or charming

161. The _____ session of the Diet opened.

adj. not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

162. We are motivated by _____ rather than necessity.

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

163. He tried to _____ a bad reputation and win the election.

v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

164. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.

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

165. It is important to place the _____ in the correct position for accurate electro-cardiogram recording.

n. either of two points or ends of a conductor at which electricity enters or leaves an object, substance, or region

166. We _____ our impeded progress on lack of money.

v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

167. The _____ technology was revolutionary in its field.

adj. being at the forefront of a particular field or development; (noun) the latest or most advanced stage in the development of a specific type of work or activity

ANSWERS: 160. engaging, 161. ordinary, 162. curiosity, 163. overcome, 164. principle, 165. electrodes, 166. blamed, 167. cutting-edge

168. He tried to _____ his anger during the argument with his friend.
v. to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk
169. The high-technology industry is enjoying a _____.
n. a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
170. I always look forward to going back to my _____ during the holidays.
n. the town or city where one was born or grew up
171. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's _____.
n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
172. I _____ a problem arising if we don't address this issue now.
v. to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future
173. She experienced headaches and fatigue as symptoms of _____ withdrawal after quitting coffee.
n. a stimulant drug that is found in coffee, tea, and other beverages and that is used to increase alertness and improve mental and physical performance
174. The movie has received almost universally _____ criticism.
adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
175. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

ANSWERS: 168. curb, 169. boom, 170. hometown, 171. lab, 172. foresee, 173. caffeine, 174. negative, 175. grade

176. The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial _____ of history.

n. any stage in a series of events, change, or development

177. My father's death _____ my life completely.

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

178. Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of _____.

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

179. The earthquake resulted in significant _____ destruction.

adj. associated with the way on construction or organization of anything

180. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

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

181. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

182. To _____ your purchase, please visit the following link.

v. to check or prove that something is true; to make something officially or legally acceptable or approved

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

n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

184. Animal protection groups call for an end to animal testing in a _____.

n. a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab

ANSWERS: 176. phase, 177. transformed, 178. smartphones, 179. structural, 180. debate, 181. associate, 182. validate, 183. well-being, 184. laboratory

185. We need to _____ our staff to the needs of customers with disabilities.

- v. to make someone or something more responsive to a particular stimulus or condition; to increase awareness or understanding of an issue, problem, or situation

186. He received a _____ in computer programming from the local college.

- n. an official document stating that the information contained within is true

187. She was asked to _____ the construction project.

- v. to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility

188. He was arrested for his _____ activities in the black market.

- adj. forbidden by law, rules, or custom; not approved of or socially acceptable

189. He felt a deep _____ as he realized the project would not be completed on time.

- n. the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something

190. His _____ manner concealed his ambition.

- adj. not arrogant, bold, or forward

191. I attempted to _____ him, but he ignored me.

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

ANSWERS: 185. sensitize, 186. certificate, 187. supervise, 188. illicit, 189. frustration, 190. unassuming, 191. warn