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Session 1: Word List

pollinator

n. an animal or insect, such as bees, butterflies, birds, etc., that carries pollen from a male part of a flower to a female part of a flower, fertilizing it and allowing it to produce seeds

synonym: fertilizer, pollenizer, pollen carrier

(1) **pollinator** species, (2) beneficial **pollinator**

Bees are important **pollinators** for many crops and plants.

decline

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

synonym: descend, drop, deny

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

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

grand

adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent

synonym: impressive, great, ambitious

(1) a **grand** meal, (2) **grand** bargain

This year's **grand** gathering will be held in Canada.

modern

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

synonym: contemporary, stylish, current

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

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

honeybee

n. a type of bee that is known for producing honey and pollinating flowers

synonym: apis mellifera

(1) **honeybee** colony, (2) aggressive **honeybee**

The **honeybee** hive is organized into a caste system, with a queen, drones, and workers.

cave

n. a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground

synonym: cavern, grotto, burrow

(1) domiciliary **caves**, (2) the mouth of the **cave**

Bats reside in sheltered **caves**.

indicator

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

synonym: barometer, signal, index

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

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

beehive

n. a structure or container where bees live and store their honey

synonym: hive, apiary, honeycomb

(1) disturb a **beehive**, (2) get rid of a **beehive**

The beekeeper checked the **beehive** for any signs of disease.

statistics

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

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

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

harsh

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

synonym : brutal, severe, backbreaking

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

The prime minister faced **harsh** criticism.

untenable

adj. cannot be supported or defended against attack or criticism; indefensible

synonym : indefensible, unsustainable

(1) **untenable** situation, (2) **untenable** amount of debt

The proposal was deemed **untenable** due to financial constraints.

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.

beekeeper

n. a person who keeps bees, either for their honey or to pollinate crops

synonym : apiarist, apiculturist, honey farmer

(1) **beekeeper** hat, (2) local **beekeeper**

My neighbor is a professional **beekeeper** who sells honey at the local farmers' market.

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym : substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone

Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

rely

v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

synonym : depend, count, lean

(1) **rely** on convenience stores, (2) **rely** entirely on him

Babies heavily **rely** on others for food.

crunch

n. a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation

synonym : crushing, snapping, crisis

(1) financial **crunch**, (2) a gas **crunch**

The **crunch** of the leaves underfoot was heard as they walked through the park.

almond

n. a type of nut that comes from the almond tree widely cultivated for its edible seeds, which is enclosed in a hard, ridged outer casing called a shell, that can be eaten raw or roasted and is often used in baking and as an ingredient in various dishes

synonym : nut, kernel, seed

(1) **almond** milk, (2) **almond** butter

I love snacking on **almonds** for a healthy and delicious snack.

tart

n. a small pastry with a sweet or savory filling, typically with a shortcrust pastry base; a woman who is perceived to be sexually promiscuous; (adjective) sharp, tangy, or acidic in taste

synonym : pie, pastry, quiche

(1) **tart** flavor, (2) custard **tart**

The lemon **tart** at the bakery was simply divine.

sour

adj. having a taste that is acidic or tart; (noun) a person or situation that is unhappy or negative

synonym : acidic, tangy, tart

(1) turn **sour**, (2) a dollop of **sour** cream

The pickles had a tangy and **sour** flavor that went well with the sandwich.

cattle

n. cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals

synonym : cows, herd, oxen

(1) **cattle** barn, (2) **cattle** hide

The **cattle** are on the grassland and grazing.

hay

n. grass that has been cut and dried for use as animal feed or bedding; a stack or bale of this dried grass

synonym : straw, fodder, forage

(1) **hay** cube, (2) **hay** asthma

We sat on a **hay** bale and watched the sunset over the fields.

alfalfa

n. a plant widely used for animal feed, particularly for horses and livestock, also used in human cuisine as a salad or sandwich ingredient

synonym : lucerne

(1) **alfalfa** sprouts, (2) **alfalfa** hay

The farmer grew a field of **alfalfa** to use as feed for his animals.

economy

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

synonym : finance, trade, business

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

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

collapse

v. to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart

synonym : tumble, spill, bankruptcy

(1) the stock market **collapsed**, (2) ready to **collapse**

The roof finally **collapsed** after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.

moral

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

synonym : honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden
Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

crisis

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

synonym: concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management

The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

cape

n. a type of long, loose outer garment that covers the back, shoulders, and arms; a headland or promontory extending into the sea or other large body of water

synonym: shawl, cloak, mantle

(1) **cape** cod, (2) red **cape**

The superhero wore a flowing **cape** as part of their costume.

immunology

n. the branch of medical science that deals with the immune system of the body and its functions, including the body's response to foreign substances such as viruses and bacteria; it also involves the study of immunodeficiencies, autoimmune diseases, and immunotherapies

synonym: study of immunity, immunobiology, serology

(1) **immunology** research, (2) **immunology** laboratory

Recent advances in **immunology** have shown promise in the fight against cancer

degree

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

synonym: level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

recession

n. a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases

synonym : downturn, slump, contraction

(1) **recession** period, (2) recover from a **recession**

The country is facing a **recession**, with high unemployment and low GDP.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym : enhance, ameliorate, enrich

(1) **improve** a process, (2) **improve** the test score

We want to **improve** ties between our two countries.

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.

ripe

adj. (of fruit or crops) fully developed and ready to be eaten or harvested

synonym : mature, ready, developed

(1) a **ripe** old age, (2) **ripe** tomato

The fruit was **ripe** and ready to eat.

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

synonym : implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

introductory

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

synonym: beginning, preliminary, initial

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

abandon

v. to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

synonym: relinquish, leave behind, disregard

(1) **abandon** a friend, (2) **abandon** the practice
The castle was **abandoned** several years later.

property

n. a thing or things that belong to someone

synonym: belongings, possessions, equity

(1) a man of **property**, (2) chemical **property**
He stood to inherit a million-dollar **property**.

vaccine

n. a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)

synonym: vaccinum

(1) development of **vaccines**, (2) an oral **vaccine**

The mRNA **vaccine** was approved in less than a year because it did not contain the fragments of the target virus.

probiotic

n. a substance, typically a live bacterium, that is ingested to provide health benefits, particularly in aiding digestion or strengthening the immune system

synonym: probiotic bacteria, beneficial bacteria, microflora

(1) **probiotic** supplement, (2) **probiotic** yogurt

Probiotic-rich foods, such as kefir and sauerkraut, can improve digestive health.

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.

landlord

n. a person or organization that rents a room, a house, an office, etc.

synonym: lessor, owner, proprietor

(1) suit against the **landlord**, (2) the **landlord** of an inn

He complained about the price of tenant pays to the **landlord**.

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify

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

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

evict

v. to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law

synonym: oust, expel, eject

(1) **evict** a person from his home, (2) **evict** squatter

The landlord may **evict** tenants for violations of the lease agreement.

nonprofit

adj. not established for commercial profit

synonym: charitable

(1) a **nonprofit** organization, (2) **nonprofit** agency

Our law firm also focuses on **nonprofit** activities.

urban

adj. relating to or located in a town or city

synonym: metropolitan, civic

(1) **urban** planning, (2) **urban** property owners

Only a small number of **urban** utilities offer sanitation services.

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**.

alley

n. a narrow lane or way between buildings, often used as a passage or a shortcut; a small street that runs between two other streets

synonym: lane, passage, pathway

(1) back **alley**, (2) **alley** cat

They played basketball in the **alley** behind their house.

shock

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

synonym: amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym: transition, change, modification

(1) Doppler **shift**, (2) major paradigm **shift**

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

perspective

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

synonym: viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle

His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

deck

n. a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure

synonym: platform, veranda, patio

(1) **deck** chairs, (2) hands on **deck**

She sat on the ship's **deck**, watching the sunset over the ocean.

rooftop

n. the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes

synonym : roof, terrace, deck

(1) **rooftop** live, (2) **rooftop** deck

They held the dinner party on the **rooftop** terrace, enjoying the beautiful view of the city.

engage

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

synonym : confront, employ, amuse

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

(2) **engage** a new employee

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

accurate

adj. correct and exact in all details

synonym : exact, precise, proper

(1) provide **accurate** information, (2) **accurate** measurements

The official transcript contains **accurate** academic records.

commerce

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

synonym : trade, transaction, dealings

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

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

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.

relation

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

synonym: association, linkage, connection

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

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

sustainable

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

synonym: continuable, enduring, tolerable

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

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

jar

n. a cylindrical container, typically made of glass, metal, or pottery, with a wide mouth and a screwed or sealed lid, used for storing food, liquids, and other materials

synonym: container, vessel, pot

(1) a **jar** of jam, (2) a water **jar**

He placed the coins in a **jar** to save for a trip.

corporate

adj. of or relating to a large company

synonym: business, commercial, organizational

(1) **corporate** right, (2) **corporate** environment

The **corporate** office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

spark

v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

synonym: start, inspire, provoke

(1) **spark** his interest, (2) **spark** a chain reaction

The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate **sparked** turmoil in the stock market.

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**.

nation

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

synonym : country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

skyscraper

n. a very tall building, typically one in a city

synonym : high-rise, tower

(1) **skyscraper** apartment house, (2) steel-framed **skyscraper**

The 50-floor **skyscraper** loomed over the city, dwarfing the other buildings.

nationwide

adj. extending throughout an entire nation

synonym : countrywide, national

(1) **nationwide** strike, (2) **nationwide** network

This is a **nationwide** campaign to recruit women into trade unions.

thrive

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

synonym : bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure

Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

agriculture

n. the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock

synonym : farming, husbandry, agribusiness

(1) organic **agriculture**, (2) intensive **agriculture**
Agriculture is the foundation of our economy.

chemical

adj. relating to or connected with chemistry;
synonym: chemic, synthetic

(1) toxic **chemicals**, (2) a **chemical** compound
The firm has grown into a large **chemical** manufacturing.

pesticide

n. a substance used for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest
synonym: insecticide, herbicide, fungicide

(1) **pesticide** application, (2) **pesticide** residue
The farmer sprayed **pesticide** on his crops to protect them from insects.

herbicide

n. a substance used to kill or control the growth of unwanted plants
synonym: weedkiller, pesticide, chemical

(1) banned **herbicide**, (2) **herbicide** resistance
The farmer sprayed **herbicide** on his crops to kill weeds.

fungicide

n. a substance or chemical used to kill or inhibit the growth of fungi, typically used in agriculture, horticulture, or the treatment of fungal infections in humans or animals
synonym: antifungal, fungistat

(1) apply **fungicide**, (2) agricultural **fungicide**
The plant nursery sprayed **fungicide** on their seedlings to prevent damping-off disease.

disease

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
synonym: illness, ailment, affliction

(1) **disease** prevention, (2) **disease** control
The doctor diagnosed him with a rare **disease** that had no known cure.

identify

v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

rural

adj. of or relating to the countryside

synonym: agrarian, country, rustic

(1) **rural** accents, (2) people in **rural** areas

Many **rural** areas are still impoverished.

suburb

n. an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods

synonym: outskirts, district, quarter

(1) **suburb** development, (2) **suburb** life

He grew up in the **suburbs** but always dreamed of living in the city.

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

synonym: interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**

He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

biodiversity

n. the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment

(1) **biodiversity** conservation, (2) loss of **biodiversity**

The country was instrumental in promoting the **biodiversity** treaty.

flip

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

synonym : throw, jump

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

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

hypothesis

n. a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate

synonym : assumption, conjecture, theory

(1) test my **hypothesis**, (2) a bold **hypothesis**

This evidence supports the big-bang **hypothesis**.

typical

adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

synonym : characteristic, usual, distinctive

(1) **typical** leader, (2) fairly **typical** symptoms

This artwork is **typical** of her work.

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.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym : coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

madden

v. to make someone extremely angry or irritated, often to the point of losing control or rationality; to become irrational or frenzied with anger or frustration

synonym : infuriate, enrage, exasperate

(1) **madden** with rage, (2) **madden** the enemy

The slow internet connection **maddened** him as he tried to

stream his favorite show.

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.

genome

n. the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things

(1) sequencing of the human **genome**, (2) **genome** analyses

The human **genome** contains approximately three billion chemical base pairs.

spit

v. to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth

synonym: expectorate, saliva, spew

(1) **spit** a bullet, (2) **spit** a mouthful of saliva

She tried to **spit** out the gum that she had been chewing.

tube

n. a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape

synonym: pipe, hose, duct

(1) a capillary **tube**, (2) a glass **tube**

The **tube** train was packed with commuters during rush hour.

germ

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

synonym: bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

sumac

n. a plant or small tree with compound leaves, native to temperate and subtropical regions that produces

clusters of flowers and fruits that are dark red in color and have a sour taste used as a spice in cooking

(1) **sumac** berries, (2) fragrant **sumac**

The **sumac** spice adds a tangy and citrusy flavor to the dish.

privet

n. a type of shrub or small tree with dark green leaves, often used as a hedge or border plant, and native to Europe and Asia

(1) **privet** bushes, (2) trimming **privet**

The **privet** hedge provides a natural border between our yard and the neighbors.

hedge

n. a fence formed by a line of bushes or shrubs; (verb) limit or avoid something such as duties, issues, and questions by conditions or exceptions

synonym: border, fence, barrier

(1) snip at a **hedge**, (2) **hedge** fund firm

The best way to **hedge** financial risks is to diversify your portfolio.

trim

v. to make neat or tidy by clipping, cutting, or pruning away excess or unwanted parts; to adjust or modify to improve efficiency or performance

synonym: cut, pare, prune

(1) **trim** a dog's nails, (2) **trim** the budget

I must **trim** the bushes in my front yard before they get too overgrown.

controversial

adj. causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute

synonym: contentious, disputed, questionable

(1) **controversial** book, (2) **controversial** policy

The issue of the death penalty is highly **controversial**.

lily

n. a flowering plant with large, showy, trumpet-shaped flowers, typically symbolizing purity, innocence, and beauty

(1) **lily** perfume, (2) water **lily**

The beautiful **lily** garden in the park was a sight to behold.

heritage

n. the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations

synonym: legacy, tradition, inheritance

(1) **heritage** site, (2) historical **heritage**

The **heritage** of the city is reflected in its architecture.

laurel

n. an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment

synonym: wreath, crown, garland

(1) **laurel** wreath, (2) noble **laurel**

The athlete wore a **laurel** wreath to symbolize victory in the competition.

cinnamon

n. a sweet-spicy aromatic bark of an Asian tree, used as a spice or condiment

synonym: spice, flavoring, seasoning

(1) **cinnamon** stick, (2) **cinnamon** cake

The aroma of **cinnamon** filled the kitchen as the cookies were baked.

avocado

n. a pear-shaped fruit with a hard skin and buttery flesh, commonly eaten raw in salads, sandwiches, or as guacamole

synonym: alligator pear, butter pear, midshipman's butter

(1) **avocado** toast, (2) **avocado** smoothie

I love adding **avocado** to my salads for that extra creaminess.

flavor

n. the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth

synonym: taste, savor, essence

(1) a delicate **flavor**, (2) **flavor** enhancer

The **flavor** of the coffee was rich and full-bodied.

teaspoon

n. a small spoon used to stir or measure out small amounts of some ingredients, typically sugar, salt, or spices, in cooking or serving

(1) **teaspoon** measurement, (2) lick a **teaspoon**

You only need a **teaspoon** of salt to enhance the soup's flavor.

oak

n. a large deciduous tree that is common in northern regions and produces small nuts called acorns

(1) the wine in giant **oak** vats, (2) old **oak** trees

Large **oak** trees cast a shadow in the garden.

lawn

n. a stretch of ground covered with grass, typically attached to a house, and often used for recreation or aesthetics

synonym: yard, grass, meadow

(1) **lawn** mower, (2) lush **lawn**

The family enjoyed a picnic on the **lawn** in the park.

diversity

n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

synonym: variety, multiplicity, variousness

(1) the **diversity** policy of the university, (2) lingual **diversity**

He was impressed by the range and **diversity** of the collection.

patch

n. a small piece of material or fabric used to repair or reinforce a tear, hole, or damaged area; a small plot of land used for cultivation or a specific purpose

synonym: mend, repair, fix

(1) **patch** of grass, (2) software **patch**

I need to sew a **patch** onto my jeans that ripped.

meadow

n. a field of grass and wildflowers, especially one used for hay

synonym: pasture, field, lawn

(1) graze in the **meadow**, (2) lowland **meadow**
The lush **meadow** was covered in wildflowers.

diversify

v. to make something include more different types or things; to spread out activities or investments

synonym: branch out, expand, broaden

(1) **diversify** my portfolio, (2) **diversify** energy sources

This inclusive environment has allowed the plant species to **diversify**.

government

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

synonym: administration, regime, state

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

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

tomb

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

synonym: grave, burial site, mausoleum

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

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

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.

linden

n. a deciduous tree with heart-shaped leaves and fragrant yellow flowers; commonly planted in urban areas for shade or ornamental purposes

synonym: basswood, lime, tilia

(1) **linden** blossom, (2) **linden** leaves

The **linden** tree in the park is the perfect spot for a picnic.

amazing

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

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

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

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

president

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

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

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

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

delegate

n. a person sent or authorized to represent others, in particular, an elected representative sent to a conference; (verb) to transfer power to someone

synonym: representative, envoy, agent

(1) **delegate** a routine task, (2) send a **delegate**

The **delegate** from the small country was not allowed to speak at the meeting.

graduate

n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

synonym: alumna, alum, grad

(1) **graduate** degree program, (2) honor **graduate**

Many employers hire **graduate** trainees to train as managers.

disaster

n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

synonym: catastrophe, calamity, tragedy

(1) global **disaster**, (2) **disaster** recovery

The **disaster** response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

baseline

n. a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court

synonym : standard, criterion

(1) **baseline** budget, (2) establish a **baseline**

The products they sell are the **baseline** for performance in the industry.

destroy

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

synonym : demolish, ruin, obliterate

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

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

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.

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**.

pose

v. to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed

synonym : present, put, position

(1) **pose** a significant threat to my company, (2) **pose** a challenge

The chemicals **pose** a massive health risk.

hurricane

n. a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)

synonym : cyclone, typhoon, storm

(1) a **hurricane** of applause, (2) the ravages of a **hurricane**
The devastating **hurricane** caused widespread damage and left many people homeless.

landfall

n. the arrival or touching down of a ship, aircraft, or meteor on land after a voyage or journey; the first sighting or approach of land from the sea

synonym : shoreline, beachfront, landing place

(1) **landfall** location, (2) predicted **landfall**

The hurricane made **landfall** in the early morning hours, causing widespread damage.

quantity

n. the amount or number of something; magnitude

synonym : abundance, portion, amount

(1) half **quantity**, (2) residual **quantity**

In southward, the average annual water **quantity** increases.

triangle

n. a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts

synonym : trilateral, delta, triad

(1) **triangle** shape, (2) love **triangle**

The Pythagorean theorem is used to calculate the length of the sides of a right **triangle**.

prime

adj. main or most important; basic

synonym : excellent, exceptional, premium

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

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

erosion

n. the wearing away of rock, soil, or land by natural processes such as wind or water

synonym : corrosion, weathering, decay

(1) **erosion** control, (2) wind **erosion**

The **erosion** of the coastline has accelerated due to rising

sea levels.

violent

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

synonym: aggressive, intense, turbulent

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

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

precious

adj. uncommon and extremely valuable

synonym: adored, cherished, valued

(1) price of **precious** metals, (2) **precious** information

We cannot afford to squander **precious** time.

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.

sweep

v. to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly

synonym: clean, clear, brush off

(1) **sweep** up dead leaves, (2) **sweep** a room with a glance

The politician tried to **sweep** the embarrassing incident under the rug.

blueprint

n. a photographic print of an early plan for a building or machine

synonym: draft, prototype, sketch

(1) **blueprint** for economic reform, (2) architect's **blueprint**

A business plan is a **blueprint** for your success.

suspend

v. to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang

something freely

synonym : stop, postpone, adjourn

(1) **suspend** a decision, (2) **suspend** fruits from the ceiling

The University **suspended** the most recalcitrant demonstrators.

greenhouse

n. a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in

synonym : conservatory

(1) exotic plants in a **greenhouse**, (2) emissions of **greenhouse** gases

The **greenhouse** effect is a phenomenon that happens naturally.

mar

v. to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something

synonym : damage, deface, disfigure

(1) **mar** a proper relationship, (2) **mar** the reputation

The scratches on the car **marred** its otherwise perfect appearance.

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.

stable

adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

synonym : sturdy, unmoving, durable

(1) in **stable** condition, (2) have a **stable** job

Relations between the two countries have been relatively **stable** due to the summit meeting.

diverse

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

synonym : manifold, various, myriad

(1) **diverse** backgrounds, (2) a person of **diverse** talents
New York is a city with a **diverse** ethnic population.

barometer

n. an instrument that measures atmospheric pressure and is used to predict changes in weather; a measure of the prevailing conditions or trends within a particular situation or environment

synonym: indicator, gauge, measure

(1) economic **barometer**, (2) air pressure **barometer**

The number of patients in the hospital is a useful **barometer** of regional health trends.

Session 2: Spelling

1. 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
2. use of ha__h chemicals *adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
3. the mouth of the c__e *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
4. in_____or lamp *n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing
5. economic ba_____er *n.* an instrument that measures atmospheric pressure and is used to predict changes in weather; a measure of the prevailing conditions or trends within a particular situation or environment
6. red c__e *n.* a type of long, loose outer garment that covers the back, shoulders, and arms; a headland or promontory extending into the sea or other large body of water
7. al_____a hay *n.* a plant widely used for animal feed, particularly for horses and livestock, also used in human cuisine as a salad or sandwich ingredient
8. di_____e backgrounds *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
9. bachelor's de___e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

ANSWERS: 1. fellow, 2. harsh, 3. cave, 4. indicator, 5. barometer, 6. cape, 7. alfalfa, 8. diverse, 9. degree

10. 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
11. global di____er *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
12. l__y perfume *n.* a flowering plant with large, showy, trumpet-shaped flowers, typically symbolizing purity, innocence, and beauty
13. victim of a vi____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
14. snip at a he__e *n.* a fence formed by a line of bushes or shrubs; (verb) limit or avoid something such as duties, issues, and questions by conditions or exceptions
15. ev__t a person from his home *v.* to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
16. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
17. lowland me___w *n.* a field of grass and wildflowers, especially one used for hay
18. have a st___e job *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
19. imm_____gy research *n.* the branch of medical science that deals with the immune system of the body and its functions, including the body's response to foreign substances such as viruses and bacteria; it also involves the study of immunodeficiencies, autoimmune diseases, and immunotherapies

ANSWERS: 10. boom, 11. disaster, 12. lily, 13. violent, 14. hedge, 15. evict, 16. crazy, 17. meadow, 18. stable, 19. immunology

20. sw__p a room with a glance *v.* to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly
21. an oral va_____e *n.* a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)
22. re_____on period *n.* a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases
23. a gr__d meal *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
24. sky_____er apartment house *n.* a very tall building, typically one in a city
25. water l__y *n.* a flowering plant with large, showy, trumpet-shaped flowers, typically symbolizing purity, innocence, and beauty
26. av_____o toast *n.* a pear-shaped fruit with a hard skin and buttery flesh, commonly eaten raw in salads, sandwiches, or as guacamole
27. th___e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
28. price of pr_____us metals *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
29. al___d butter *n.* a type of nut that comes from the almond tree widely cultivated for its edible seeds, which is enclosed in a hard, ridged outer casing called a shell, that can be eaten raw or roasted and is often used in baking and as an ingredient in various dishes

ANSWERS: 20. sweep, 21. vaccine, 22. recession, 23. grand, 24. skyscraper, 25. lily, 26. avocado, 27. thrive, 28. precious, 29. almond

30. m_r a proper relationship *v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
31. test my hyp_____is *n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
32. ur__n planning *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
33. ty_____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
34. ma___n the enemy *v.* to make someone extremely angry or irritated, often to the point of losing control or rationality; to become irrational or frenzied with anger or frustration
35. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
36. predicted la_____ll *n.* the arrival or touching down of a ship, aircraft, or meteor on land after a voyage or journey; the first sighting or approach of land from the sea
37. the ravages of a hu_____ne *n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
38. ca___e hide *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
39. a g__m-free environment *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

ANSWERS: 30. mar, 31. hypothesis, 32. urban, 33. typical, 34. madden, 35. moral, 36. landfall, 37. hurricane, 38. cattle, 39. germ

40. su____d a decision *v.* to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang something freely
41. agricultural fu_____de *n.* a substance or chemical used to kill or inhibit the growth of fungi, typically used in agriculture, horticulture, or the treatment of fungal infections in humans or animals
42. a delicate fl___r *n.* the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth
43. noble la___l *n.* an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment
44. intensive agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
45. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
46. 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
47. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
48. pol_____or species *n.* an animal or insect, such as bees, butterflies, birds, etc., that carries pollen from a male part of a flower to a female part of a flower, fertilizing it and allowing it to produce seeds

ANSWERS: 40. suspend, 41. fungicide, 42. flavor, 43. laurel, 44. agriculture, 45. engage, 46. fellow, 47. colleague, 48. pollinator

49. banned he_____de *n.* a substance used to kill or control the growth of unwanted plants
50. mo__l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
51. the local chamber of co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
52. back al__y *n.* a narrow lane or way between buildings, often used as a passage or a shortcut; a small street that runs between two other streets
53. ab_____n the practice *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
54. ho_____wn celebrity *n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up
55. sequencing of the human ge____e *n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things
56. pr_____ic yogurt *n.* a substance, typically a live bacterium, that is ingested to provide health benefits, particularly in aiding digestion or strengthening the immune system
57. er_____n control *n.* the wearing away of rock, soil, or land by natural processes such as wind or water
58. exotic plants in a gre_____se *n.* a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in
59. the average life s__n *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

ANSWERS: 49. herbicide, 50. moral, 51. commerce, 52. alley, 53. abandon, 54. hometown, 55. genome, 56. probiotic, 57. erosion, 58. greenhouse, 59. span

60. di_____fy energy sources *v.* to make something include more different types or things; to spread out activities or investments
61. ab_____n a friend *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
62. ca_____e barn *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
63. su_____d fruits from the ceiling *v.* to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang something freely
64. lingual di_____ty *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
65. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
66. re_____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
67. h_y asthma *n.* grass that has been cut and dried for use as animal feed or bedding; a stack or bale of this dried grass
68. ma_____n with rage *v.* to make someone extremely angry or irritated, often to the point of losing control or rationality; to become irrational or frenzied with anger or frustration

ANSWERS: 60. diversify, 61. abandon, 62. cattle, 63. suspend, 64. diversity, 65. economy, 66. replace, 67. hay, 68. madden

69. de____y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
70. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
71. establish a ba____ne *n.* a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court
72. a bold hyp_____is *n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
73. ru__l accents *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
74. sh__k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
75. beneficial pol_____or *n.* an animal or insect, such as bees, butterflies, birds, etc., that carries pollen from a male part of a flower to a female part of a flower, fertilizing it and allowing it to produce seeds
76. la____l wreath *n.* an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment
77. pe_____de application *n.* a substance used for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest
78. pr__e number *adj.* main or most important; basic

ANSWERS: 69. destroy, 70. communal, 71. baseline, 72. hypothesis, 73. rural, 74. shock, 75. pollinator, 76. laurel, 77. pesticide, 78. prime

79. p__e a significant threat to my company
v. to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed
80. product int_____ory sale
adj. intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
81. li___n blossom
n. a deciduous tree with heart-shaped leaves and fragrant yellow flowers; commonly planted in urban areas for shade or ornamental purposes
82. lick a te_____on
n. a small spoon used to stir or measure out small amounts of some ingredients, typically sugar, salt, or spices, in cooking or serving
83. loss of bio_____ity
n. the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
84. co_____al swimming pool
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
85. b__m in sales
n. a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
86. r__y on convenience stores
v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
87. nat_____de strike
adj. extending throughout an entire nation
88. la_____ll location
n. the arrival or touching down of a ship, aircraft, or meteor on land after a voyage or journey; the first sighting or approach of land from the sea

ANSWERS: 79. pose, 80. introductory, 81. linden, 82. teaspoon, 83. biodiversity, 84. communal, 85. boom, 86. rely, 87. nationwide, 88. landfall

89. al__y cat *n.* a narrow lane or way between buildings, often used as a passage or a shortcut; a small street that runs between two other streets
90. software pa__h *n.* a small piece of material or fabric used to repair or reinforce a tear, hole, or damaged area; a small plot of land used for cultivation or a specific purpose
91. get ne____s *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
92. te____y people *v.* to frighten someone very much
93. sw__p up dead leaves *v.* to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly
94. interstate co____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
95. lab____ry accident *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
96. in st___e condition *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
97. al___d milk *n.* a type of nut that comes from the almond tree widely cultivated for its edible seeds, which is enclosed in a hard, ridged outer casing called a shell, that can be eaten raw or roasted and is often used in baking and as an ingredient in various dishes
98. gov____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

ANSWERS: 89. alley, 90. patch, 91. nervous, 92. terrify, 93. sweep, 94. commerce, 95. laboratory, 96. stable, 97. almond, 98. government

99. a j_r of jam *n.* a cylindrical container, typically made of glass, metal, or pottery, with a wide mouth and a screwed or sealed lid, used for storing food, liquids, and other materials
100. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
101. co_____te environment *adj.* of or relating to a large company
102. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
103. love tr_____le *n.* a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts
104. f__p a coin *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
105. m_r the reputation *v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
106. ho_____ee colony *n.* a type of bee that is known for producing honey and pollinating flowers
107. a man of pr_____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
108. su__c berries *n.* a plant or small tree with compound leaves, native to temperate and subtropical regions that produces clusters of flowers and fruits that are dark red in color and have a sour taste used as a spice in cooking

ANSWERS: 99. jar, 100. degree, 101. corporate, 102. identify, 103. triangle, 104. flip, 105. mar, 106. honeybee, 107. property, 108. sumac

109. antibiotic-resistant g__m *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
110. ro____p live *n.* the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes
111. id____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
112. ge___e analyses *n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things
113. ur__n property owners *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
114. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
115. domiciliary c__es *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
116. the stock market co____sed *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
117. int_____ory biology text *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
118. historical he____ge *n.* the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations
119. ba____ne budget *n.* a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court

ANSWERS: 109. germ, 110. rooftop, 111. identify, 112. genome, 113. urban, 114. environment, 115. cave, 116. collapse, 117. introductory, 118. heritage, 119. baseline

120. ac____te measurements *adj.* correct and exact in all details
121. aggressive ho____ee *n.* a type of bee that is known for producing honey and pollinating flowers
122. pr____t the future *v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
123. pe____de residue *n.* a substance used for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest
124. imm____gy laboratory *n.* the branch of medical science that deals with the immune system of the body and its functions, including the body's response to foreign substances such as viruses and bacteria; it also involves the study of immunodeficiencies, autoimmune diseases, and immunotherapies
125. the threats te____y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
126. di____e prevention *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
127. opp____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
128. im____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
129. honor gr____te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

ANSWERS: 120. accurate, 121. honeybee, 122. predict, 123. pesticide, 124. immunology, 125. terrify, 126. disease, 127. opposition, 128. improve, 129. graduate

130. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
131. performance in_____ors *n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing
132. sp__k his interest *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
133. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
134. gr_____te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
135. the s__n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
136. toxic ch_____als *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
137. he__e fund firm *n.* a fence formed by a line of bushes or shrubs; (verb) limit or avoid something such as duties, issues, and questions by conditions or exceptions
138. con_____ial policy *adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
139. get rid of a be_____e *n.* a structure or container where bees live and store their honey
140. no_____it agency *adj.* not established for commercial profit

ANSWERS: 130. perspective, 131. indicator, 132. spark, 133. opposition, 134. graduate, 135. span, 136. chemical, 137. hedge, 138. controversial, 139. beehive, 140. nonprofit

141. hands on d__k *n.* a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure
142. de____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
143. bl_____nt for economic reform *n.* a photographic print of an early plan for a building or machine
144. 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
145. re____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
146. bury in t__b *n.* a large stone structure or underground chamber in which the dead are buried
147. a person of di____e talents *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
148. a gas cr____h *n.* a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation
149. financial cr____s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
150. financial cr____h *n.* a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation

ANSWERS: 141. deck, 142. destroy, 143. blueprint, 144. develop, 145. relation, 146. tomb, 147. diverse, 148. crunch, 149. crisis, 150. crunch

151. fragrant su__c *n.* a plant or small tree with compound leaves, native to temperate and subtropical regions that produces clusters of flowers and fruits that are dark red in color and have a sour taste used as a spice in cooking
152. lush l__n *n.* a stretch of ground covered with grass, typically attached to a house, and often used for recreation or aesthetics
153. old o_k trees *n.* a large deciduous tree that is common in northern regions and produces small nuts called acorns
154. trimming pr___t *n.* a type of shrub or small tree with dark green leaves, often used as a hedge or border plant, and native to Europe and Asia
155. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
156. residual qu_____ty *n.* the amount or number of something; magnitude
157. principles of sus_____le development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
158. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

ANSWERS: 151. sumac, 152. lawn, 153. oak, 154. privet, 155. economy, 156. quantity, 157. sustainable, 158. relation

159. pa__h of grass *n.* a small piece of material or fabric used to repair or reinforce a tear, hole, or damaged area; a small plot of land used for cultivation or a specific purpose
160. l__n mower *n.* a stretch of ground covered with grass, typically attached to a house, and often used for recreation or aesthetics
161. s__t a bullet *v.* to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth
162. the wine in giant o_k vats *n.* a large deciduous tree that is common in northern regions and produces small nuts called acorns
163. ci____on cake *n.* a sweet-spicy aromatic bark of an Asian tree, used as a spice or condiment
164. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
165. li__n leaves *n.* a deciduous tree with heart-shaped leaves and fragrant yellow flowers; commonly planted in urban areas for shade or ornamental purposes
166. cr__s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
167. a dollop of s__r cream *adj.* having a taste that is acidic or tart; (noun) a person or situation that is unhappy or negative
168. a capillary t__e *n.* a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape

ANSWERS: 159. patch, 160. lawn, 161. spit, 162. oak, 163. cinnamon, 164. statistics, 165. linden, 166. crisis, 167. sour, 168. tube

169. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
170. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
171. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
172. ha__h climate *adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
173. gr__d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
174. di_____fy my portfolio *v.* to make something include more different types or things; to spread out activities or investments
175. a water j_r *n.* a cylindrical container, typically made of glass, metal, or pottery, with a wide mouth and a screwed or sealed lid, used for storing food, liquids, and other materials
176. a glass t__e *n.* a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape
177. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
178. anthropology lab_____ry *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
179. r__y entirely on him *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

ANSWERS: 169. government, 170. president, 171. amazing, 172. harsh, 173. grand, 174. diversify, 175. jar, 176. tube, 177. shift, 178. laboratory, 179. rely

180. architect's bl_____nt *n.* a photographic print of an early plan for a building or machine
181. wind er_____n *n.* the wearing away of rock, soil, or land by natural processes such as wind or water
182. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
183. ex_____t pipe *n.* the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired
184. ro_____p deck *n.* the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes
185. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
186. the la_____rd of an inn *n.* a person or organization that rents a room, a house, an office, etc.
187. send a de_____te *n.* a person sent or authorized to represent others, in particular, an elected representative sent to a conference; (verb) to transfer power to someone
188. de_____te a routine task *n.* a person sent or authorized to represent others, in particular, an elected representative sent to a conference; (verb) to transfer power to someone
189. custard t__t *n.* a small pastry with a sweet or savory filling, typically with a shortcrust pastry base; a woman who is perceived to be sexually promiscuous; (adjective) sharp, tangy, or acidic in taste

ANSWERS: 180. blueprint, 181. erosion, 182. violent, 183. exhaust, 184. rooftop, 185. involve, 186. landlord, 187. delegate, 188. delegate, 189. tart

190. nat_____de network *adj.* extending throughout an entire nation
191. organic agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
192. un_____le situation *adj.* cannot be supported or defended against attack or criticism; indefensible
193. 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
194. r__e tomato *adj.* (of fruit or crops) fully developed and ready to be eaten or harvested
195. suit against the la_____rd *n.* a person or organization that rents a room, a house, an office, etc.
196. development of va_____es *n.* a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)
197. he_____ge site *n.* the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations
198. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
199. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
200. t__m a dog's nails *v.* to make neat or tidy by clipping, cutting, or pruning away excess or unwanted parts; to adjust or modify to improve efficiency or performance

ANSWERS: 190. nationwide, 191. agriculture, 192. untenable, 193. develop, 194. ripe, 195. landlord, 196. vaccine, 197. heritage, 198. replace, 199. participate, 200. trim

201. tr____le shape	<i>n.</i>	a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts
202. un_____le amount of debt	<i>adj.</i>	cannot be supported or defended against attack or criticism; indefensible
203. half qu____ty	<i>n.</i>	the amount or number of something; magnitude
204. development of the ne____s system	<i>adj.</i>	worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
205. t__m the budget	<i>v.</i>	to make neat or tidy by clipping, cutting, or pruning away excess or unwanted parts; to adjust or modify to improve efficiency or performance
206. im_____e a process	<i>v.</i>	to make or become better
207. con_____ial book	<i>adj.</i>	causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
208. di____er recovery	<i>n.</i>	an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
209. deputy pr__e minister	<i>adj.</i>	main or most important; basic
210. th___e on pressure	<i>v.</i>	to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
211. s__t a mouthful of saliva	<i>v.</i>	to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth
212. pr_____t when she will arrive	<i>v.</i>	to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
213. fl___r enhancer	<i>n.</i>	the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth

ANSWERS: 201. triangle, 202. untenable, 203. quantity, 204. nervous, 205. trim, 206. improve, 207. controversial, 208. disaster, 209. prime, 210. thrive, 211. spit, 212. predict, 213. flavor

214. t__t flavor *n.* a small pastry with a sweet or savory filling, typically with a shortcrust pastry base; a woman who is perceived to be sexually promiscuous; (adjective) sharp, tangy, or acidic in taste
215. sp__k a chain reaction *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
216. de____e in quality *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
217. recover from a re____on *n.* a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases
218. ready to co____se *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
219. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
220. su__b development *n.* an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
221. former co____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
222. h_y cube *n.* grass that has been cut and dried for use as animal feed or bedding; a stack or bale of this dried grass
223. vice-pr____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 214. tart, 215. spark, 216. decline, 217. recession, 218. collapse, 219. shift, 220. suburb, 221. colleague, 222. hay, 223. president

224. mo___n poetry	<i>adj.</i> of or belonging to the present time or recent times
225. ev__t squatter	<i>v.</i> to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
226. c__e cod	<i>n.</i> a type of long, loose outer garment that covers the back, shoulders, and arms; a headland or promontory extending into the sea or other large body of water
227. su___b life	<i>n.</i> an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
228. steel-framed sky_____er	<i>n.</i> a very tall building, typically one in a city
229. cr__y about cars and racing	<i>adj.</i> stupid or not sensible; very angry
230. emissions of gre_____se gases	<i>n.</i> a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in
231. par_____te fully in conversation	<i>v.</i> to take part in something
232. pr_____ic supplement	<i>n.</i> a substance, typically a live bacterium, that is ingested to provide health benefits, particularly in aiding digestion or strengthening the immune system
233. de_____e a job offer	<i>v.</i> to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
234. the per_____ve of the battle	<i>n.</i> a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
235. provide ac_____te information	<i>adj.</i> correct and exact in all details

ANSWERS: 224. modern, 225. evict, 226. cape, 227. suburb, 228. skyscraper, 229. crazy, 230. greenhouse, 231. participate, 232. probiotic, 233. decline, 234. perspective, 235. accurate

236. di_____e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
237. ex_____t a topic *n.* the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired
238. pr____t bushes *n.* a type of shrub or small tree with dark green leaves, often used as a hedge or border plant, and native to Europe and Asia
239. turn s__r *adj.* having a taste that is acidic or tart; (noun) a person or situation that is unhappy or negative
240. p__e a challenge *v.* to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed
241. d__k chairs *n.* a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure
242. the ancient t__b *n.* a large stone structure or underground chamber in which the dead are buried
243. air pressure ba_____er *n.* an instrument that measures atmospheric pressure and is used to predict changes in weather; a measure of the prevailing conditions or trends within a particular situation or environment
244. local be_____er *n.* a person who keeps bees, either for their honey or to pollinate crops

ANSWERS: 236. disease, 237. exhaust, 238. privet, 239. sour, 240. pose, 241. deck, 242. tomb, 243. barometer, 244. beekeeper

245. chemical pr____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
246. death from sh__k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
247. people in ru__l areas *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
248. pre-mo____n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
249. bio____ity conservation *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
250. ho____wn memory *n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up
251. sus____le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
252. he____de resistance *n.* a substance used to kill or control the growth of unwanted plants
253. en____e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
254. disturb a be____e *n.* a structure or container where bees live and store their honey
255. ci____on stick *n.* a sweet-spicy aromatic bark of an Asian tree, used as a spice or condiment
256. a no____it organization *adj.* not established for commercial profit
257. chaotic env____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

ANSWERS: 245. property, 246. shock, 247. rural, 248. modern, 249. biodiversity, 250. hometown, 251. sustainable, 252. herbicide, 253. engage, 254. beehive, 255. cinnamon, 256. nonprofit, 257. environment

258. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
259. apply fu_____de *n.* a substance or chemical used to kill or inhibit the growth of fungi, typically used in agriculture, horticulture, or the treatment of fungal infections in humans or animals
260. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
261. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
262. be_____er hat *n.* a person who keeps bees, either for their honey or to pollinate crops
263. av_____o smoothie *n.* a pear-shaped fruit with a hard skin and buttery flesh, commonly eaten raw in salads, sandwiches, or as guacamole
264. a ch_____al compound *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
265. fairly ty_____l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
266. te_____on measurement *n.* a small spoon used to stir or measure out small amounts of some ingredients, typically sugar, salt, or spices, in cooking or serving
267. f__p over the pork chop *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion

ANSWERS: 258. involve, 259. fungicide, 260. statistics, 261. nation, 262. beekeeper, 263. avocado, 264. chemical, 265. typical, 266. teaspoon, 267. flip

268. pr____us information *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
269. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
270. co____te right *adj.* of or relating to a large company
271. al____a sprouts *n.* a plant widely used for animal feed, particularly for horses and livestock, also used in human cuisine as a salad or sandwich ingredient
272. a r__e old age *adj.* (of fruit or crops) fully developed and ready to be eaten or harvested
273. a hu____ne of applause *n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
274. the di____ty policy of the university *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
275. graze in the me____w *n.* a field of grass and wildflowers, especially one used for hay
276. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 268. precious, 269. nation, 270. corporate, 271. alfalfa, 272. ripe, 273. hurricane, 274. diversity, 275. meadow, 276. amazing

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He slightly modified the _____ of training because it was just before a match.
n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

2. The farmer sprayed _____ on his crops to protect them from insects.
n. a substance used for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest

3. The politician tried to _____ the embarrassing incident under the rug.
v. to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly

4. _____ foods, such as kefir and sauerkraut, can improve digestive health.
n. a substance, typically a live bacterium, that is ingested to provide health benefits, particularly in aiding digestion or strengthening the immune system

5. The lemon _____ at the bakery was simply divine.
n. a small pastry with a sweet or savory filling, typically with a shortcrust pastry base; a woman who is perceived to be sexually promiscuous; (adjective) sharp, tangy, or acidic in taste

6. This artwork is _____ of her work.
adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

7. 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: 1. span, 2. pesticide, 3. sweep, 4. Probiotic-rich, 5. tart, 6. typical, 7. laboratory

8. The hurricane made _____ in the early morning hours, causing widespread damage.
- n.* the arrival or touching down of a ship, aircraft, or meteor on land after a voyage or journey; the first sighting or approach of land from the sea
9. The _____ class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.
- adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
10. It's notoriously challenging to _____ birth rates.
- v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
11. The issue of the death penalty is highly _____.
- adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
12. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
13. 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
14. The _____ train was packed with commuters during rush hour.
- n.* a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape
15. They played basketball in the _____ behind their house.
- n.* a narrow lane or way between buildings, often used as a passage or a shortcut; a small street that runs between two other streets

ANSWERS: 8. landfall, 9. introductory, 10. predict, 11. controversial, 12. crisis, 13. boom, 14. tube, 15. alley

16. The fruit was _____ and ready to eat.

adj. (of fruit or crops) fully developed and ready to be eaten or harvested

17. Bats reside in sheltered _____.

n. a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground

18. 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

19. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

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

20. This year's _____ gathering will be held in Canada.

adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent

21. My neighbor is a professional _____ who sells honey at the local farmers' market.

n. a person who keeps bees, either for their honey or to pollinate crops

22. I love adding _____ to my salads for that extra creaminess.

n. a pear-shaped fruit with a hard skin and buttery flesh, commonly eaten raw in salads, sandwiches, or as guacamole

23. He got an electric _____ at work.

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

ANSWERS: 16. ripe, 17. caves, 18. develop, 19. statistics, 20. grand, 21. beekeeper, 22. avocado, 23. shock

24. They held the dinner party on the _____ terrace, enjoying the beautiful view of the city.

n. the upper surface or cover of a building's roof, often used for recreational or other purposes

25. I always look forward to going back to my _____ during the holidays.

n. the town or city where one was born or grew up

26. 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

27. The superhero wore a flowing _____ as part of their costume.

n. a type of long, loose outer garment that covers the back, shoulders, and arms; a headland or promontory extending into the sea or other large body of water

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

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

29. Babies heavily _____ on others for food.

v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

30. Relations between the two countries have been relatively _____ due to the summit meeting.

adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

31. The landlord may _____ tenants for violations of the lease agreement.

v. to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law

ANSWERS: 24. rooftop, 25. hometown, 26. fellow, 27. cape, 28. tomb, 29. rely, 30. stable, 31. evict

32. The country is facing a _____ with high unemployment and low GDP.
n. a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases
33. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.
n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
34. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something
35. This company has invested heavily in Internet _____.
n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
36. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
37. The chemicals _____ a massive health risk.
v. to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed
38. The _____ hedge provides a natural border between our yard and the neighbors.
n. a type of shrub or small tree with dark green leaves, often used as a hedge or border plant, and native to Europe and Asia
39. The proposal was deemed _____ due to financial constraints.
adj. cannot be supported or defended against attack or criticism; indefensible

ANSWERS: 32. recession, 33. degree, 34. participated, 35. commerce, 36. opposition, 37. pose, 38. privet, 39. untenable

40. _____ is the foundation of our economy.
n. the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
41. The plant nursery sprayed _____ on their seedlings to prevent damping-off disease.
n. a substance or chemical used to kill or inhibit the growth of fungi, typically used in agriculture, horticulture, or the treatment of fungal infections in humans or animals
42. Without investment, a business cannot _____.
v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
43. The pickles had a tangy and _____ flavor that went well with the sandwich.
adj. having a taste that is acidic or tart; (noun) a person or situation that is unhappy or negative
44. The rain and thunder are _____ today.
adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry
45. 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
46. He suffers from _____ breakdowns.
adj. worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
47. The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate _____ turmoil in the stock market.
v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

ANSWERS: 40. Agriculture, 41. fungicide, 42. thrive, 43. sour, 44. crazy, 45. environment, 46. nervous, 47. sparked

48. The lush _____ was covered in wildflowers.

n. a field of grass and wildflowers, especially one used for hay

49. Recent advances in _____ have shown promise in the fight against cancer

n. the branch of medical science that deals with the immune system of the body and its functions, including the body's response to foreign substances such as viruses and bacteria; it also involves the study of immunodeficiencies, autoimmune diseases, and immunotherapies

50. The prime minister faced _____ criticism.

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

51. The farmer sprayed _____ on his crops to kill weeds.

n. a substance used to kill or control the growth of unwanted plants

52. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

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

53. The scratches on the car _____ its otherwise perfect appearance.

v. to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something

54. He was impressed by the range and _____ of the collection.

n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

55. The _____ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

ANSWERS: 48. meadow, 49. immunology, 50. harsh, 51. herbicide, 52. nation, 53. marred, 54. diversity, 55. germ

56. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

57. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.

v. to take the place of something

58. The _____ spice adds a tangy and citrusy flavor to the dish.

n. a plant or small tree with compound leaves, native to temperate and subtropical regions that produces clusters of flowers and fruits that are dark red in color and have a sour taste used as a spice in cooking

59. The number of patients in the hospital is a useful _____ of regional health trends.

n. an instrument that measures atmospheric pressure and is used to predict changes in weather; a measure of the prevailing conditions or trends within a particular situation or environment

60. The slow internet connection _____ him as he tried to stream his favorite show.

v. to make someone extremely angry or irritated, often to the point of losing control or rationality; to become irrational or frenzied with anger or frustration

61. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

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

62. The University _____ the most recalcitrant demonstrators.

v. to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang something freely

63. The beautiful _____ garden in the park was a sight to behold.

n. a flowering plant with large, showy, trumpet-shaped flowers, typically symbolizing purity, innocence, and beauty

ANSWERS: 56. Communal, 57. replace, 58. sumac, 59. barometer, 60. maddened, 61. destroyed, 62. suspended, 63. lily

64. The castle was _____ several years later.

- v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

65. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.

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

66. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.

- v.* to make or become better

67. The official transcript contains _____ academic records.

- adj.* correct and exact in all details

68. The _____ of the coffee was rich and full-bodied.

- n.* the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth

69. The aroma of _____ filled the kitchen as the cookies were baked.

- n.* a sweet-spicy aromatic bark of an Asian tree, used as a spice or condiment

70. The mRNA _____ was approved in less than a year because it did not contain the fragments of the target virus.

- n.* a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)

71. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

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

ANSWERS: 64. abandoned, 65. modern, 66. improve, 67. accurate, 68. flavor, 69. cinnamon, 70. vaccine, 71. economy

72. The 50-floor _____ loomed over the city, dwarfing the other buildings.
n. a very tall building, typically one in a city
73. This evidence supports the big-bang _____.
n. a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
74. I must _____ the bushes in my front yard before they get too overgrown.
v. to make neat or tidy by clipping, cutting, or pruning away excess or unwanted parts; to adjust or modify to improve efficiency or performance
75. The best way to _____ financial risks is to diversify your portfolio.
n. a fence formed by a line of bushes or shrubs; (verb) limit or avoid something such as duties, issues, and questions by conditions or exceptions
76. The athlete wore a _____ wreath to symbolize victory in the competition.
n. an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment
77. Could you help me _____ some furniture?
n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
78. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.
v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
79. The firm has grown into a large _____ manufacturing.
adj. relating to or connected with chemistry;

ANSWERS: 72. skyscraper, 73. hypothesis, 74. trim, 75. hedge, 76. laurel, 77. shift, 78. involves, 79. chemical

80. This is a _____ campaign to recruit women into trade unions.
adj. extending throughout an entire nation
81. In southward, the average annual water _____ increases.
n. the amount or number of something; magnitude
82. A business plan is a _____ for your success.
n. a photographic print of an early plan for a building or machine
83. I need to sew a _____ onto my jeans that ripped.
n. a small piece of material or fabric used to repair or reinforce a tear, hole, or damaged area; a small plot of land used for cultivation or a specific purpose
84. Bees are important _____ for many crops and plants.
n. an animal or insect, such as bees, butterflies, birds, etc., that carries pollen from a male part of a flower to a female part of a flower, fertilizing it and allowing it to produce seeds
85. We cannot afford to squander _____ time.
adj. uncommon and extremely valuable
86. The _____ of the coastline has accelerated due to rising sea levels.
n. the wearing away of rock, soil, or land by natural processes such as wind or water
87. The _____ from the small country was not allowed to speak at the meeting.
n. a person sent or authorized to represent others, in particular, an elected representative sent to a conference; (verb) to transfer power to someone

ANSWERS: 80. nationwide, 81. quantity, 82. blueprint, 83. patch, 84. pollinators, 85. precious, 86. erosion, 87. delegate

88. The _____ of the city is reflected in its architecture.

n. the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations

89. He complained about the price of tenant pays to the _____.

n. a person or organization that rents a room, a house, an office, etc.

90. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

91. After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the _____ suspect.

adj. main or most important; basic

92. The roof finally _____ after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.

v. to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart

93. The products they sell are the _____ for performance in the industry.

n. a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court

94. Many _____ areas are still impoverished.

adj. of or relating to the countryside

95. 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

96. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

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

ANSWERS: 88. heritage, 89. landlord, 90. amazing, 91. prime, 92. collapsed, 93. baseline, 94. rural, 95. exhaust, 96. government

97. The human _____ contains approximately three billion chemical base pairs.
- n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things
98. The devastating _____ caused widespread damage and left many people homeless.
- n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
99. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
- v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
100. The _____ tree in the park is the perfect spot for a picnic.
- n.* a deciduous tree with heart-shaped leaves and fragrant yellow flowers; commonly planted in urban areas for shade or ornamental purposes
101. Our law firm also focuses on _____ activities.
- adj.* not established for commercial profit
102. He grew up in the _____ but always dreamed of living in the city.
- n.* an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
103. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.
- n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
104. This inclusive environment has allowed the plant species to _____.
- v.* to make something include more different types or things; to spread out activities or investments

ANSWERS: 97. genome, 98. hurricane, 99. engaged, 100. linden, 101. nonprofit, 102. suburbs, 103. perspective, 104. diversify

105. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
106. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.
n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
107. I love snacking on _____ for a healthy and delicious snack.
n. a type of nut that comes from the almond tree widely cultivated for its edible seeds, which is enclosed in a hard, ridged outer casing called a shell, that can be eaten raw or roasted and is often used in baking and as an ingredient in various dishes
108. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.
adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
109. The farmer grew a field of _____ to use as feed for his animals.
n. a plant widely used for animal feed, particularly for horses and livestock, also used in human cuisine as a salad or sandwich ingredient
110. The Pythagorean theorem is used to calculate the length of the sides of a right _____.
n. a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts
111. The _____ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.
adj. of or relating to a large company
112. She sat on the ship's _____ watching the sunset over the ocean.
n. a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure

ANSWERS: 105. relations, 106. colleague, 107. almonds, 108. moral, 109. alfalfa, 110. triangle, 111. corporate, 112. deck,

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

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

114. As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually _____.

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

115. The doctor diagnosed him with a rare _____ that had no known cure.

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

116. The _____ effect is a phenomenon that happens naturally.

n. a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in

117. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.

v. to frighten someone very much

118. The _____ are on the grassland and grazing.

n. cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals

119. The beekeeper checked the _____ for any signs of disease.

n. a structure or container where bees live and store their honey

120. He _____ when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.

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

121. She tried to _____ out the gum that she had been chewing.

v. to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth

ANSWERS: 113. indicator, 114. declines, 115. disease, 116. greenhouse, 117. terrify, 118. cattle, 119. beehive, 120. flipped, 121. spit

122. The _____ hive is organized into a caste system, with a queen, drones, and workers.
n. a type of bee that is known for producing honey and pollinating flowers
123. The _____ of the leaves underfoot was heard as they walked through the park.
n. a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation
124. New York is a city with a _____ ethnic population.
adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
125. The club _____ does not have absolute power.
n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
126. You only need a _____ of salt to enhance the soup's flavor.
n. a small spoon used to stir or measure out small amounts of some ingredients, typically sugar, salt, or spices, in cooking or serving
127. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.
adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
128. Only a small number of _____ utilities offer sanitation services.
adj. relating to or located in a town or city
129. The family enjoyed a picnic on the _____ in the park.
n. a stretch of ground covered with grass, typically attached to a house, and often used for recreation or aesthetics

ANSWERS: 122. honeybee, 123. crunch, 124. diverse, 125. president, 126. teaspoon, 127. violent, 128. urban, 129. lawn

130. We sat on a ___ bale and watched the sunset over the fields.

- n.* grass that has been cut and dried for use as animal feed or bedding; a stack or bale of this dried grass

131. He stood to inherit a million-dollar _____.

- n.* a thing or things that belong to someone

132. The government should do more to support environmentally _____ agriculture.

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

133. The country was instrumental in promoting the _____ treaty.

- n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment

134. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.

- v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

135. Many employers hire _____ trainees to train as managers.

- n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

136. He placed the coins in a ___ to save for a trip.

- n.* a cylindrical container, typically made of glass, metal, or pottery, with a wide mouth and a screwed or sealed lid, used for storing food, liquids, and other materials

137. The _____ response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

- n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

ANSWERS: 130. hay, 131. property, 132. sustainable, 133. biodiversity, 134. identify, 135. graduate, 136. jar, 137. disaster

138. Large ____ trees cast a shadow in the garden.

- n.* a large deciduous tree that is common in northern regions and produces small nuts called acorns

ANSWERS: 138. oak