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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### mathematics

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

*synonym*: arithmetic, calculation, calculus

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

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

### exhilarating

*adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

*synonym*: thrilling, exciting, stimulating

(1) an **exhilarating** drink, (2) **exhilarating** view

Bungee jumping was an **exhilarating** experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.

### discovery

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

*synonym*: finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

## descent

*n.* the act or process of moving downward; a person's family origins

*synonym*: fall, drop, family

(1) **descent** from nobility, (2) **descent** of family

The **descent** from the mountain was steep and rocky.

## frustration

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

*synonym*: disappointment, discouragement, dissatisfaction

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

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

## despair

*n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

*synonym*: dismay, anguish, misery

(1) **despair** at the future, (2) untold **despair**

His friend's death drove him to **despair**.

## practically

*adv.* almost or nearly

*synonym*: almost, nearly, virtually

(1) **practically** constant, (2) **practically** impossible to find a parking spot

The store is **practically** empty.

## repetition

*n.* the act of doing or saying something many times

*synonym*: duplication, iteration, recurrence

(1) **repetition** of the word, (2) habitual **repetition**

**Repetition** is the mother of all learning.

## memorize

*v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly

*synonym*: learn, remember, remind

(1) **memorize** musical scores, (2) try hard to **memorize** the lines

Lawyers need to **memorize** even the most minor provisions

of the law.

## disjointed

*adj.* lacking coherence or connectivity; not flowing smoothly or logically; disconnected or fragmented

*synonym* : disconnected, disordered, incoherent

(1) **disjointed** speech, (2) **disjointed** narrative

The **disjointed** plot of the movie left many viewers needing clarification and satisfaction.

## motivate

*v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort

*synonym* : boost, encourage, inspire

(1) **motivate** the students, (2) all ability to **motivate**

The ability to **motivate** people is a priceless asset.

## dislike

*v.* to not like someone or something

*synonym* : disapprove, disfavor, deprecate

(1) **dislike** speaking in public, (2) **dislike** this kind of food

He seems to **dislike** all forms of exercise.

## committed

*adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

*synonym* : devoted, faithful, attached

(1) in a **committed** relationship, (2) strong and **committed** sales staff

Our company is strongly **committed** to meeting customers' needs.

## opportune

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

*synonym* : suitable, timely, practical

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

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

## shrink

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

*synonym* : decrease, diminish, shy away

(1) **shrink** the tumor, (2) **shrink** with fear  
This shirt will **shrink** in the wash.

## prey

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

*synonym*: target, quarry, chase

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

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

## creditor

*n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

## payday

*n.* the day on which an employee receives wages or a salary for work performed; a specific time period, usually two weeks or a month, during which wages or salaries are earned and paid out

*synonym*: salary, wages, remuneration

(1) **payday** loan, (2) **payday** check

I look forward to **payday** every two weeks.

## lottery

*n.* a game of chance in which a large number of people buy tickets or chances to win a prize, with the winner(s) determined by a random drawing

*synonym*: raffle, sweepstakes, drawing

(1) national **lottery**, (2) scratch-off **lottery**

The odds of winning the **lottery** are extremely low, but millions still buy tickets hoping to hit the jackpot.

## dazzle

*v.* to cause someone to lose clear vision temporarily, especially from bright light; to amaze or bewilder somebody with your brilliant wit, intellect, beauty, skill, etc.

*synonym*: sparkle, flash, astonish

(1) **dazzle** his eyes, (2) **dazzle** all who see it

The audience was **dazzled** by her realistic acting.

## 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.

## insert

*v.* to put something inside something else

*synonym*: introduce, add, embed

(1) **insert** coin, (2) **insert** a graphic

She **inserted** a new chapter into her manuscript.

## assert

*v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true

*synonym*: maintain, state, declare

(1) **assert** a free society, (2) **assert** a claim for unjust enrichment

She **asserted** that she was innocent, despite the evidence against her.

## fabric

*n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

*synonym*: cloth, material, goods

(1) a hand-loomed **fabric**, (2) **fabric** of creation

These synthetic **fabrics** are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

## alienation

*n.* the state of being isolated or detached from one's social, emotional, or political environment

*synonym*: estrangement, separation, detachment

(1) human **alienation**, (2) international **alienation**

His feelings of **alienation** from society led to depression.

## squander

*v.* to spend or use something wastefully; to waste by spending or using too freely

*synonym*: waste, fritter away, dissipate

(1) **squander** money, (2) **squander** a chance

He **squandered** his inheritance on frivolous purchases.

## workshop

*n.* a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group

*synonym* : studio, laboratory, atelier

(1) **workshop** attendee, (2) carpentry **workshop**

The artist held a **workshop** to teach students how to paint with watercolors.

## topic

*n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about

*synonym* : subject, theme, issue

(1) a serious **topic**, (2) the **topic** of the book

The **topic** of the discussion was the current state of the economy.

## quotation

*n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

*synonym* : excerpt, passage, quote

(1) double **quotation** marks, (2) take a **quotation**

He included a **quotation** from the book in his essay.

## examine

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

*synonym* : study, probe, analyze

(1) **examine** the data studiously, (2) **examine** the issue

Initially, we must **examine** all project-related expenses.

## philosophy

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

*synonym* : doctrine, attitude, creed

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

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

## proclaim

*v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully

*synonym* : announce, declare, trumpet

(1) **proclaim** victory, (2) **proclaim** law

The leader **proclaimed** a state of emergency in the country.

## doubt

*n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

*synonym*: distrust, suspect, mistrust

(1) dispel **doubts**, (2) no **doubt** about the news

**Doubt** is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

## conceive

*v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant

*synonym*: imagine, envision, concoct

(1) **conceive** of an idea, (2) **conceive** a child

I can't **conceive** he'd want to harm us.

## affirm

*v.* to assert that something is true or real; to state positively

*synonym*: declare, avow, assert

(1) **affirm** old traditions, (2) **affirm** strong identity

I **affirm** that I will always stand by my beliefs.

## deny

*v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

*synonym*: refute, reject, repudiate

(1) adamantly **deny** killing, (2) **deny** the allegations

He is still **denying** stealing the money from the cash register.

## refuse

*v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

*synonym*: turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

## perceive

*v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

*synonym*: sense, discern, feel

(1) **perceive** a threat, (2) **perceive** light

Australia is widely **perceived** as having low levels of

corruption.

## stake

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

*synonym*: share, interest, post

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

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

## principle

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

*synonym*: rule, creed, code

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

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

## invite

*v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

*synonym*: ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism

We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

## ordinary

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

*synonym*: mundane, prosaic, average

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

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

## multiply

*v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity

*synonym*: boost, amplify, reproduce

(1) **multiply** 5 and 6, (2) **multiply** about hundredfold

**Multiply** a number by itself twice.

## divide

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

*synonym*: separate, disconnect, split



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

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

**lurk** v. to wait somewhere secretly, especially because you are about to attack someone or do something bad or illegal  
*synonym*: hide, creep, stalk

(1) **lurked** behind the words, (2) **lurk** in the darkness

In the city, the risk of traffic accidents **lurks** at every corner.

**plain** *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

*synonym*: basic, straight, bare

(1) **plain** answer, (2) delta **plain**

The lowest lowland region is mostly flat **plain**.

**sight** *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen  
*synonym*: vision, spectacle, view

(1) an unexpected **sight**, (2) dull **sight**

Many famous **sights** are within walking distance.

**intuitive** *adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof  
*synonym*: involuntary, instinctive, innate

(1) **intuitive** eating, (2) **intuitive** judgment

I had an **intuitive** feeling that I might be pregnant.

**extend** v. to broaden in scope, range, or area  
*synonym*: prolong, lengthen, advance

(1) **extend** the warranty, (2) **extend** a line

Her visit will **extend** from Monday to Friday.

**mystery** *n.* something difficult to understand or explain; a secret or enigmatic quality that adds to the fascination or interest of something; a genre of fiction that involves the solution of a crime or a puzzle

*synonym*: enigma, puzzle, secret

(1) **mystery** novel, (2) unsolved **mystery**

The **mystery** surrounding the disappearance of the traveler has yet to be solved by authorities.

## authentic

*adj.* known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy

*synonym*: genuine, bona fide, original

(1) an **authentic** signature, (2) the sets were meticulously **authentic**

The stages of the play were meticulously **authentic**

## compelling

*adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration

*synonym*: tempting, captivating, influential

(1) tell a **compelling** story, (2) new and **compelling** evidence

His **compelling** presentation deeply moved everyone.

## profoundly

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

*synonym*: deeply, greatly, completely

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

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

## satisfy

*v.* to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need

*synonym*: please, amuse, meet

(1) **satisfy** a desire, (2) **satisfy** a user's needs

Did this response **satisfy** your request?

## struggle

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

*synonym*: toil, strive, compete

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

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

## uncommon

*adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare

*synonym* : rare, scarce, unusual

(1) **uncommon** occurrence, (2) **uncommon** talents

It was **uncommon** for the store to have such a big sale.

## 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.

## courageous

*adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

*synonym* : brave, valiant, fearless

(1) make a **courageous** decision, (2) **courageous** rescue attempt

He was a **courageous** soldier who had served his country with honor.

## persevere

*v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement

*synonym* : persist, endure, continue

(1) **persevere** through hardships, (2) **persevere** in my goals

Even when faced with challenges, it's important to **persevere** and never give up.

## difficulty

*n.* a condition or state that causes problems

*synonym* : hardship, complication, problem

(1) the degree of **difficulty**, (2) **difficulty** in breathing

He has **difficulty** exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.

## perseverance

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

*synonym*: persistence, tenacity, determination

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

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

## grapple

*v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons

*synonym*: brawl, scuffle, wrestle

(1) **grapple** with problem, (2) **grapple** with each other

He needed to **grapple** with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.

## observation

*n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone

*synonym*: watching, notice, reflection

(1) class **observation** day, (2) **observation** instrument

In the hospital, she will remain under constant **observation**.

## column

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

*synonym*: line, pillar, cue

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

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

## doe

*n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

*synonym*: rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

## spot

*n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

*synonym* : dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

## diagonally

*adv.* in an oblique or slanted direction or manner; at an angle between horizontal and vertical

*synonym* : obliquely, slantwise, askew

(1) **diagonally** opposite, (2) cut **diagonally**

I walked **diagonally** across the field to reach the other side faster.

## segment

*n.* a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole

*synonym* : section, part, division

(1) **segment** analysis, (2) market **segment**

The report divided the data into **segments** based on age, gender, and income level.

## odd

*adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two

*synonym* : strange, bizarre, abnormal

(1) in an **odd** way, (2) **odd** behavior

His grandfather was an **odd** man.

## genuine

*adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

*synonym* : actual, honest, unpretending

(1) a **genuine** article, (2) show **genuine** regret

Is this painting **genuine** or forged?

## curiosity

*n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something

*synonym* : interest, inquisitiveness, novelty

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

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

## 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.

## claim

*v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (*noun*) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

*synonym*: assert, declare, maintain

(1) **claim** responsibility, (2) false **claim**

He wants to **claim** ownership of the abandoned property.

## scary

*adj.* causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating

*synonym*: terrifying, frightening, alarming

(1) **scary** dream, (2) **scary** story

The horror movie was so **scary** that I couldn't watch it alone.

## threat

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

*synonym*: menace, danger, hazard

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

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

## stud

*n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (*verb*) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

*synonym*: beam, scantling, framing

(1) horse **stud**, (2) wall **stud**

He bought a new **stud** to attach the strap to his watch.

## **inquisitive**

*adj.* curious and interested in learning or finding out about things; questioning or prying into matters that are not one's concern; curious or nosy

*synonym*: curious, inquiring, nosy

(1) **inquisitive** mind, (2) **inquisitive** researcher

The **inquisitive** child asked endless questions about the world around her.

## **adventure**

*n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous

*synonym*: experience, happening, incident

(1) gastronomic **adventures**, (2) **adventure** film

He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his **adventures**.

## **convince**

*v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

*synonym*: persuade, win over, convert

(1) **convince** her to go with us, (2) **convince** an opponent

I am considering what I should do to **convince** him.

## **argue**

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

*synonym*: debate, dispute, quarrel

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

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

## **determinant**

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

*synonym*: cause, factor, element

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

yields

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

## conversation

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

*synonym*: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

## debate

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

*synonym*: argument, discussion, dispute

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

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

## disagree

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

*synonym*: discord, oppose, dissent

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

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

## 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.

## dismiss

*v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

*synonym*: decline, disband, dissolve



(1) **dismiss** a person from the office, (2) **dismiss** a matter with a laugh

The committee has decided to **dismiss** the president from the post.

### disempower

*v.* to deprive of power, authority, or influence, to make someone or something less powerful or effective

*synonym*: disenfranchise, weaken, undermine

(1) **disempower** the employees, (2) **disempower** the opposition

The politician's efforts to **disempower** marginalized communities were met with widespread criticism.

### disprove

*v.* to show that something is not true or correct

*synonym*: refute, discredit, invalidate

(1) **disprove** global warming, (2) **disprove** the conjecture

The researchers were unable to **disprove** the theory.

### convincing

*adj.* able to make someone believe that something is true

*synonym*: clear, compelling, believable

(1) a **convincing** victory, (2) **convincing** biochemical explanation

I found her assertion pretty **convincing**.

### peer

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

*synonym*: fellow, associate, counterpart

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

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

### infinite

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

*synonym*: boundless, countless, limitless

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

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

### stack

*n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion

gases and smoke can be evacuated

*synonym* : accumulation, heap, pile

(1) high **stack**, (2) a large **stack** of paper

The earthquake caused a **stack** of lumber to crumble noisily.

## invention

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

*synonym* : creation, design, innovation

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

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

## fancy

*v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy

*synonym* : imagine, visualize, (noun) fantasy

(1) **fancy** a cup of coffee, (2) a flight of **fancy**

I don't **fancy** acting in such an important role.

## modular

*adj.* consisting of distinct or separable parts or units that can be joined together and form a complete whole

*synonym* : interchangeable, standard, transposable

(1) build a **modular** system, (2) **modular** furniture

Computers have a **modular** structure, making it easy to upgrade essential functions.

## arithmetic

*n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division

*synonym* : computation, calculation, math

(1) decimal **arithmetic**, (2) mental **arithmetic**

The abacus is an ancient counting device that was used for **arithmetic** calculations.

## ridiculous

*adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at

*synonym* : absurd, fatuous, foolish

(1) a **ridiculous** amount of money, (2) a **ridiculous** suggestion

Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as **ridiculous** but was later proven correct.

## cryptography

*n.* the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers

*synonym*: coding, steganography, encryption

(1) asymmetric **cryptography**, (2) digital **cryptography**

The software engineers developed a new **cryptography** algorithm to protect users' data.

## exaggeration

*n.* an overstatement of facts or description; the act of making something seem larger, more important, or more significant than it is

*synonym*: hyperbole, overstatement, embellishment

(1) sensational **exaggeration**, (2) minimal **exaggeration**

His story was filled with obvious **exaggerations**.

## courage

*n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

*synonym*: bravery, valor, fearlessness

(1) mental **courage**, (2) inspire **courage**

It takes a lot of **courage** to stand up for what you believe is right.

## consequence

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

*synonym*: result, impact, outcome

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

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

## 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**.

## 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.

## negative

*adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

*synonym* : minus, adverse, pessimistic

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

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

## infinity

*n.* the state or quality of having no end or limit; (mathematics) a number greater than any natural number

*synonym* : endlessness, boundlessness, continuity

(1) the **infinity** of the universe, (2) negative **infinity**

That investor saw an **infinity** of possibilities in this company.

## breakthrough

*n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem

*synonym* : advance, progress, innovation

(1) **breakthrough** in the negotiations, (2) **breakthrough** discovery

A technique called deep learning has led to **breakthroughs** in AI.

## willingness

*n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something  
*synonym*: readiness, eagerness, enthusiasm

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

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

## clue

*n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery

*synonym*: hint, indication, inkling

(1) a **clue** about the crime, (2) a **clue** to the diagnosis

The police couldn't find a **clue** to her whereabouts.

## belong

*v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

*synonym*: fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group

All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

## par

*n.* a state of being equal to someone or something

*synonym*: equality, standard, balance

(1) above **par** performance, (2) not up to **par**

Shares in the company finally fell below their **par** value.

## nurture

*v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

*synonym*: boost, cultivate, enable

(1) **nurture** love, (2) **nurture** his talents

Schools should **nurture** children's mutual interest spirit.

## instinct

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

*synonym*: intuition, aptitude, feeling

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

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

## puzzle

*n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand

*synonym*: plight, maze, (verb) perplex

(1) crossword **puzzle**, (2) mathematical **puzzle**

This jigsaw **puzzle** is challenging because there are no pictures.

## flourish

*v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully

*synonym*: boom, advance, succeed

(1) **flourish** economically, (2) **flourish** worldwide

The Ottoman Empire **flourished** for over five centuries.

## afford

*v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

(1) **afford** to buy a new car, (2) **afford** a high travel cost

He cannot **afford** a holiday.

## misuse

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

*synonym*: abuse, misemployment, mishandling

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

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

## asset

*n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property

*synonym*: aid, resource, equity

(1) frozen **assets**, (2) liquid **assets** of the company

A sense of humor is an invaluable **asset** in this job.

## creative

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

*synonym* : imaginative, innovative, inventive

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

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

## Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. the con_____ce of an argument         | <i>n.</i> the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual  |
| 2. gr_____e with each other              | <i>v.</i> to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons  |
| 3. as____t a claim for unjust enrichment | <i>v.</i> to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true  |
| 4. st_____le against discrimination      | <i>v.</i> to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction |
| 5. gr_____te degree program              | <i>n.</i> 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                          |
| 6. bre_____ugh in the negotiations       | <i>n.</i> a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem                                     |
| 7. con_____ng biochemical explanation    | <i>adj.</i> able to make someone believe that something is true  |
| 8. in_____te in supply                   | <i>adj.</i> unlimited or very great; impossible to measure   |

ANSWERS: 1. consequence, 2. grapple, 3. assert, 4. struggle, 5. graduate, 6. breakthrough, 7. convincing, 8. infinite



9. d\_\_y the allegations      *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
10. dis\_\_\_\_\_er the opposition      *v.* to deprive of power, authority, or influence, to make someone or something less powerful or effective
11. l\_\_k in the darkness      *v.* to wait somewhere secretly, especially because you are about to attack someone or do something bad or illegal
12. the sets were meticulously  
au\_\_\_\_\_ic      *adj.* known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy
13. di\_\_\_\_\_s a matter with a laugh      *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
14. national lo\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* a game of chance in which a large number of people buy tickets or chances to win a prize, with the winner(s) determined by a random drawing
15. par\_\_\_\_\_te in the program      *v.* to take part in something
16. nu\_\_\_\_\_e his talents      *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
17. pe\_\_\_\_\_ve light      *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
18. 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: 9. deny, 10. disempower, 11. lurk, 12. authentic, 13. dismiss, 14. lottery, 15. participate, 16. nurture, 17. perceive, 18. degree

19. frozen as\_\_ts *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
20. take a qu\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
21. cr\_\_\_\_\_ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
22. rep\_\_\_\_\_on of the word *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
23. in\_\_\_\_\_ve eating *adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof
24. gr\_\_\_\_\_e with problem *v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
25. cut dia\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* in an oblique or slanted direction or manner; at an angle between horizontal and vertical
26. mo\_\_\_\_\_r furniture *adj.* consisting of distinct or separable parts or units that can be joined together and form a complete whole
27. build a mo\_\_\_\_\_r system *adj.* consisting of distinct or separable parts or units that can be joined together and form a complete whole
28. ar\_\_e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

ANSWERS: 19. asset, 20. quotation, 21. creative, 22. repetition, 23. intuitive, 24. grapple, 25. diagonally, 26. modular, 27. modular, 28. argue

29. untold de\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
30. nu\_\_\_\_\_e love *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
31. the in\_\_\_\_\_ty of the universe *n.* the state or quality of having no end or limit; (mathematics) a number greater than any natural number
32. a serious to\_\_c *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
33. in\_\_\_\_\_ct for self-preservation *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
34. in\_\_\_\_\_ve judgment *adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof
35. sc\_\_y dream *adj.* causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
36. op\_\_\_\_\_ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
37. a c\_\_e about the crime *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
38. in a co\_\_\_\_\_ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

ANSWERS: 29. despair, 30. nurture, 31. infinity, 32. topic, 33. instinct, 34. intuitive, 35. scary, 36. opportune, 37. clue, 38. committed

39. digital cry\_\_\_\_\_phy *n.* the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers
40. fa\_\_\_c of creation *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
41. I\_\_ked behind the words *v.* to wait somewhere secretly, especially because you are about to attack someone or do something bad or illegal
42. asymmetric cry\_\_\_\_\_phy *n.* the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers
43. new and com\_\_\_\_\_ng evidence *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
44. di\_\_\_\_\_ve global warming *v.* to show that something is not true or correct
45. pro\_\_\_\_\_ly insightful *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
46. sq\_\_\_\_\_er money *v.* to spend or use something wastefully; to waste by spending or using too freely
47. fa\_\_y a cup of coffee *v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
48. un\_\_\_\_\_on talents *adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare

ANSWERS: 39. cryptography, 40. fabric, 41. lurk, 42. cryptography, 43. compelling, 44. disprove, 45. profoundly, 46. squander, 47. fancy, 48. uncommon

49. the mi\_\_\_e of company money      *n.* the act of using something in an unsuitable way or for the wrong purpose
50. make a cou\_\_\_\_\_us decision      *adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
51. exh\_\_\_\_\_ing view      *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
52. de\_\_\_\_\_r at the future      *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
53. pra\_\_\_\_\_ly constant      *adv.* almost or nearly
54. di\_\_\_e the cake into two pieces      *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
55. ex\_\_\_d the warranty      *v.* to broaden in scope, range, or area
56. strong and co\_\_\_\_\_ed sales staff      *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
57. pl\_\_\_n answer      *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
58. sleep pro\_\_\_\_\_ly      *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
59. decimal ari\_\_\_\_\_ic      *n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division
60. barren of cr\_\_\_\_\_ve spirit      *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

ANSWERS: 49. misuse, 50. courageous, 51. exhilarating, 52. despair, 53. practically, 54. divide, 55. extend, 56. committed, 57. plain, 58. profoundly, 59. arithmetic, 60. creative

61. pe\_\_\_\_ve a threat      *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
62. de\_\_\_\_t from nobility      *n.* the act or process of moving downward; a person's family origins
63. wil\_\_\_\_\_ss to help      *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
64. a con\_\_\_\_\_ng victory      *adj.* able to make someone believe that something is true
65. crossword pu\_\_\_e      *n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand
66. double qu\_\_\_\_\_on marks      *n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
67. indicate a wil\_\_\_\_\_ss to change      *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
68. delta pl\_\_n      *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
69. pr\_\_\_\_\_le of treatment      *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
70. sh\_\_\_k the tumor      *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
71. an exh\_\_\_\_\_ing drink      *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

ANSWERS: 61. perceive, 62. descent, 63. willingness, 64. convincing, 65. puzzle, 66. quotation, 67. willingness, 68. plain, 69. principle, 70. shrink, 71. exhilarating

72. try hard to me\_\_\_\_\_ze the lines      *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
73. negative in\_\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* the state or quality of having no end or limit; (mathematics) a number greater than any natural number
74. co\_\_\_\_\_ce an opponent      *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
75. par\_\_\_\_\_te fully in conversation      *v.* to take part in something
76. be\_\_\_\_\_g to a group      *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
77. sta\_\_\_\_\_cs for cancer      *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
78. af\_\_\_\_\_d to buy a new car      *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
79. liquid as\_\_ts of the company      *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
80. or\_\_\_\_\_ry annual revenue      *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
81. d\_e rabbit      *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
82. express fru\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something

ANSWERS: 72. memorize, 73. infinity, 74. convince, 75. participate, 76. belong, 77. statistics, 78. afford, 79. asset, 80. ordinary, 81. doe, 82. frustration

83. se\_\_\_\_t analysis *n.* a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole
84. 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
85. inspire co\_\_\_\_e *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
86. a scientific di\_\_\_\_ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
87. fl\_\_\_\_sh economically *v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
88. beauty s\_\_t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
89. wall s\_\_d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
90. a ge\_\_\_\_e article *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
91. human ali\_\_\_\_on *n.* the state of being isolated or detached from one's social, emotional, or political environment

ANSWERS: 83. segment, 84. graduate, 85. courage, 86. discovery, 87. flourish, 88. spot, 89. stud, 90. genuine, 91. alienation



92. my\_\_\_\_y novel *n.* something difficult to understand or explain; a secret or enigmatic quality that adds to the fascination or interest of something; a genre of fiction that involves the solution of a crime or a puzzle
93. have a ne\_\_\_\_ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
94. as\_\_\_\_t a free society *v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true
95. dull si\_\_t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
96. ex\_\_\_\_e the issue *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
97. scratch-off lo\_\_\_\_y *n.* a game of chance in which a large number of people buy tickets or chances to win a prize, with the winner(s) determined by a random drawing
98. false cl\_\_m *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
99. the to\_\_c of the book *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about

ANSWERS: 92. mystery, 93. negative, 94. assert, 95. sight, 96. examine, 97. lottery, 98. claim, 99. topic

100. a co\_\_\_n of water *n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument
101. high st\_\_k *n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
102. in\_\_\_e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
103. horse s\_\_d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
104. 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
105. an au\_\_\_\_\_ic signature *adj.* known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy
106. co\_\_\_\_\_ce her to go with us *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
107. dogged per\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success

ANSWERS: 100. column, 101. stack, 102. invite, 103. stud, 104. degree, 105. authentic, 106. convince, 107. perseverance

108. sensational exa\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* an overstatement of facts or description; the act of making something seem larger, more important, or more significant than it is
109. mental co\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
110. mu\_\_\_\_\_ly 5 and 6      *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
111. the great di\_\_\_\_\_ry of the century      *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
112. the cr\_\_\_\_\_or's claims      *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
113. a rid\_\_\_\_\_us amount of money      *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
114. dispel do\_\_ts      *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
115. a hand-loomed fa\_\_\_\_c      *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
116. pra\_\_\_\_\_ly impossible to find a parking spot      *adv.* almost or nearly
117. di\_\_\_\_\_ee with a plan      *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

ANSWERS: 108. exaggeration, 109. courage, 110. multiply, 111. discovery, 112. creditor, 113. ridiculous, 114. doubt, 115. fabric, 116. practically, 117. disagree

118. boundless cu\_\_\_\_\_ty                    *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
119. common in\_\_\_\_\_on                    *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
120. ar\_\_e passionately                    *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
121. p\_\_y of beast                    *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
122. no do\_\_t about the news                    *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
123. a large st\_\_k of paper                    *n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
124. official sta\_\_\_\_\_cs                    *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
125. re\_\_\_e the company                    *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
126. an unexpected si\_\_t                    *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
127. unsolved my\_\_\_\_\_y                    *n.* something difficult to understand or explain; a secret or enigmatic quality that adds to the fascination or interest of something; a genre of fiction that involves the solution of a crime or a puzzle

ANSWERS: 118. curiosity, 119. invention, 120. argue, 121. prey, 122. doubt, 123. stack, 124. statistics, 125. refuse, 126. sight, 127. mystery

128. be\_\_\_g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
129. economic th\_\_\_t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
130. fl\_\_\_\_sh worldwide *v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
131. an or\_\_\_\_ry school *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
132. a s\_\_t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
133. di\_\_\_\_ee about a particular issue *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
134. gastronomic ad\_\_\_\_res *n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
135. mu\_\_\_\_ly about hundredfold *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
136. western phi\_\_\_\_hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

ANSWERS: 128. belong, 129. threat, 130. flourish, 131. ordinary, 132. spot, 133. disagree, 134. adventure, 135. multiply, 136. philosophy

137. in\_\_\_e guests      *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
138. da\_\_\_e all who see it      *v.* to cause someone to lose clear vision temporarily, especially from bright light; to amaze or bewilder somebody with your brilliant wit, intellect, beauty, skill, etc.
139. ex\_\_\_d a line      *v.* to broaden in scope, range, or area
140. buy the company's st\_\_\_e      *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
141. st\_\_\_\_\_le to get the job      *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
142. fru\_\_\_\_\_on level      *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
143. af\_\_\_m old traditions      *v.* to assert that something is true or real; to state positively
144. in\_\_\_t coin      *v.* to put something inside something else
145. de\_\_\_\_\_p a strategy      *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 137. invite, 138. dazzle, 139. extend, 140. stake, 141. struggle, 142. frustration, 143. affirm, 144. insert, 145. develop

146. dis\_\_\_\_\_ed speech *adj.* lacking coherence or connectivity; not flowing smoothly or logically; disconnected or fragmented
147. obs\_\_\_\_\_on instrument *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
148. not up to p\_r *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
149. bre\_\_\_\_\_ugh discovery *n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem
150. in\_\_\_\_\_te appetite *adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
151. de\_\_\_e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
152. di\_\_\_\_\_e speaking in public *v.* to not like someone or something
153. unwavering per\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success
154. di\_\_\_\_\_s a person from the office *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
155. dia\_\_\_\_\_ly opposite *adv.* in an oblique or slanted direction or manner; at an angle between horizontal and vertical

ANSWERS: 146. disjointed, 147. observation, 148. par, 149. breakthrough, 150. infinite, 151. debate, 152. dislike, 153. perseverance, 154. dismiss, 155. diagonally

156. sq\_\_\_\_\_er a chance *v.* to spend or use something wastefully; to waste by spending or using too freely
157. pe\_\_\_\_\_re through hardships *v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement
158. become p\_\_y to terrorists *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
159. a det\_\_\_\_\_nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
160. show ge\_\_\_\_\_e regret *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
161. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
162. minimal exa\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* an overstatement of facts or description; the act of making something seem larger, more important, or more significant than it is
163. ad\_\_\_\_\_re film *n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
164. dis\_\_\_\_\_er the employees *v.* to deprive of power, authority, or influence, to make someone or something less powerful or effective
165. pe\_\_\_\_\_re in my goals *v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement

ANSWERS: 156. squander, 157. persevere, 158. prey, 159. determinant, 160. genuine, 161. opportune, 162. exaggeration, 163. adventure, 164. disempower, 165. persevere



166. af\_\_\_m strong identity      *v.* to assert that something is true or real; to state positively
167. sa\_\_\_\_y a desire      *v.* to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need
168. unintended con\_\_\_\_\_ces      *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
169. 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
170. adamantly d\_\_y killing      *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
171. inq\_\_\_\_\_ve researcher      *adj.* curious and interested in learning or finding out about things; questioning or prying into matters that are not one's concern; curious or nosy
172. habitual rep\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
173. di\_\_\_\_ve the conjecture      *v.* to show that something is not true or correct
174. a rid\_\_\_\_\_us suggestion      *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
175. wo\_\_\_\_op attendee      *n.* a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group

ANSWERS: 166. affirm, 167. satisfy, 168. consequence, 169. develop, 170. deny, 171. inquisitive, 172. repetition, 173. disprove, 174. ridiculous, 175. workshop

176. a friendly con\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
177. satisfy my intellectual cu\_\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
178. love tr\_\_\_\_\_le      *n.* a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts
179. carpentry wo\_\_\_\_\_op      *n.* a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group
180. sc\_\_\_y story      *adj.* causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
181. dis\_\_\_\_\_ed narrative      *adj.* lacking coherence or connectivity; not flowing smoothly or logically; disconnected or fragmented
182. di\_\_\_e money equally      *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
183. re\_\_\_e a request      *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
184. cl\_\_\_m responsibility      *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
185. mathematical pu\_\_\_e      *n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand

ANSWERS: 176. conversation, 177. curiosity, 178. triangle, 179. workshop, 180. scary, 181. disjointed, 182. divide, 183. refuse, 184. claim, 185. puzzle

186. af\_\_\_d a high travel cost      *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
187. de\_\_\_e competition      *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
188. pr\_\_\_\_\_le in business      *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
189. mat\_\_\_\_\_cs competition      *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
190. co\_\_\_\_\_ve a child      *v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant
191. pa\_\_\_y check      *n.* the day on which an employee receives wages or a salary for work performed; a specific time period, usually two weeks or a month, during which wages or salaries are earned and paid out
192. in an o\_d way      *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
193. co\_\_\_\_\_ve of an idea      *v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant
194. tr\_\_\_\_\_le shape      *n.* a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts
195. protect the database from mi\_\_\_e      *n.* the act of using something in an unsuitable way or for the wrong purpose

ANSWERS: 186. afford, 187. debate, 188. principle, 189. mathematics, 190. conceive, 191. payday, 192. odd, 193. conceive, 194. triangle, 195. misuse

196. the spinal co\_\_\_n *n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument
197. international ali\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the state of being isolated or detached from one's social, emotional, or political environment
198. a c\_\_e to the diagnosis *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
199. inq\_\_\_\_\_ve mind *adj.* curious and interested in learning or finding out about things; questioning or prying into matters that are not one's concern; curious or nosy
200. sa\_\_\_\_\_y a user's needs *v.* to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need
201. in\_\_\_t a graphic *v.* to put something inside something else
202. execution by burning at a st\_\_e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
203. the in\_\_\_\_\_on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
204. mental ari\_\_\_\_\_ic *n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division

ANSWERS: 196. column, 197. alienation, 198. clue, 199. inquisitive, 200. satisfy, 201. insert, 202. stake, 203. invention, 204. arithmetic

205. con\_\_\_\_\_ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
206. bankrupt cr\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
207. o\_d behavior *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
208. p\_\_r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
209. me\_\_\_\_\_ze musical scores *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
210. dif\_\_\_\_\_ty in breathing *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
211. pr\_\_\_\_\_im victory *v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
212. class obs\_\_\_\_\_on day *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
213. buck and d\_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
214. the degree of dif\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
215. all ability to mo\_\_\_\_\_te *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
216. environmental det\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

ANSWERS: 205. conversation, 206. creditor, 207. odd, 208. peer, 209. memorize, 210. difficulty, 211. proclaim, 212. observation, 213. doe, 214. difficulty, 215. motivate, 216. determinant

217. pa\_\_\_y loan *n.* the day on which an employee receives wages or a salary for work performed; a specific time period, usually two weeks or a month, during which wages or salaries are earned and paid out
218. market se\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole
219. mo\_\_\_\_\_te the students *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
220. tell a com\_\_\_\_\_ng story *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
221. a good grounding in mat\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
222. sh\_\_\_k with fear *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
223. de\_\_\_\_\_t of family *n.* the act or process of moving downward; a person's family origins
224. a flight of fa\_\_y *v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
225. ex\_\_\_\_\_e the data studiously *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
226. p\_\_r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
227. di\_\_\_\_\_e this kind of food *v.* to not like someone or something

ANSWERS: 217. payday, 218. segment, 219. motivate, 220. compelling, 221. mathematics, 222. shrink, 223. descent, 224. fancy, 225. examine, 226. peer, 227. dislike

228. un\_\_\_\_\_on occurrence *adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare
229. aggressive in\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
230. phi\_\_\_\_\_hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
231. pr\_\_\_\_\_im law *v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
232. environmental th\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
233. a ne\_\_\_\_\_ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
234. cou\_\_\_\_\_us rescue attempt *adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
235. da\_\_\_\_\_e his eyes *v.* to cause someone to lose clear vision temporarily, especially from bright light; to amaze or bewilder somebody with your brilliant wit, intellect, beauty, skill, etc.
236. above p\_r performance *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something

ANSWERS: 228. uncommon, 229. instinct, 230. philosophy, 231. proclaim, 232. threat, 233. negative, 234. courageous, 235. dazzle, 236. par

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He felt a deep \_\_\_\_\_ as he realized the project would not be completed on time.  
*n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
2. The Ottoman Empire \_\_\_\_\_ for over five centuries.  
*v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
3. The report divided the data into \_\_\_\_\_ based on age, gender, and income level.  
*n.* a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.  
*n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
5. I don't \_\_\_\_\_ acting in such an important role.  
*v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
6. He was a \_\_\_\_\_ soldier who had served his country with honor.  
*adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ plot of the movie left many viewers needing clarification and satisfaction.  
*adj.* lacking coherence or connectivity; not flowing smoothly or logically; disconnected or fragmented

ANSWERS: 1. frustration, 2. flourished, 3. segments, 4. debate, 5. fancy, 6. courageous, 7. disjointed



8. Shares in the company finally fell below their \_\_\_\_ value.  
*n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
9. I asked the lawyer to initiate \_\_\_\_\_ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.  
*n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the company is too high nowadays.  
*n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
11. The \_\_\_\_\_ child asked endless questions about the world around her.  
*adj.* curious and interested in learning or finding out about things; questioning or prying into matters that are not one's concern; curious or nosy
12. Computers have a \_\_\_\_\_ structure, making it easy to upgrade essential functions.  
*adj.* consisting of distinct or separable parts or units that can be joined together and form a complete whole
13. He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
14. That investor saw an \_\_\_\_\_ of possibilities in this company.  
*n.* the state or quality of having no end or limit; (mathematics) a number greater than any natural number
15. Is this painting \_\_\_\_\_ or forged?  
*adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

ANSWERS: 8. par, 9. creditor, 10. stake, 11. inquisitive, 12. modular, 13. adventures, 14. infinity, 15. genuine

16. Hunters use a whistle that makes the \_\_\_\_ sound to lure stags.

*n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

17. His grandfather was an \_\_\_\_ man.

*adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two

18. Our company is strongly \_\_\_\_\_ to meeting customers' needs.

*adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

19. The \_\_\_\_\_ surrounding the disappearance of the traveler has yet to be solved by authorities.

*n.* something difficult to understand or explain; a secret or enigmatic quality that adds to the fascination or interest of something; a genre of fiction that involves the solution of a crime or a puzzle

20. Many famous \_\_\_\_\_ are within walking distance.

*n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen

21. The ability to \_\_\_\_\_ people is a priceless asset.

*v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort

22. I had an \_\_\_\_\_ feeling that I might be pregnant.

*adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof

23. Efficiency isn't an essential \_\_\_\_\_ here; fairness is.

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

ANSWERS: 16. doe, 17. odd, 18. committed, 19. mystery, 20. sights, 21. motivate, 22. intuitive, 23. principle

24. I \_\_\_\_\_ that I will always stand by my beliefs.  
*v.* to assert that something is true or real; to state positively
25. The \_\_\_\_\_ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.  
*n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
26. The lowest lowland region is mostly flat \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
27. He has a flair for \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
28. The \_\_\_\_\_ from the mountain was steep and rocky.  
*n.* the act or process of moving downward; a person's family origins
29. Her research team made an important \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
30. His friend's death drove him to \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
31. The majority of snakes swallow their \_\_\_\_\_ whole.  
*n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating

ANSWERS: 24. affirm, 25. threat, 26. plain, 27. mathematics, 28. descent, 29. discovery, 30. despair, 31. prey

32. We want to \_\_\_\_\_ you to our annual charity event.

- v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

33. The police couldn't find a \_\_\_\_\_ to her whereabouts.

- n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery

34. \_\_\_\_\_ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

- n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

35. These economic activities had disastrous environmental \_\_\_\_\_.

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

36. He seems to \_\_\_\_\_ all forms of exercise.

- v.* to not like someone or something

37. I can't \_\_\_\_\_ he'd want to harm us.

- v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant

38. Despite facing numerous setbacks and obstacles, his \_\_\_\_\_ and determination led him to success.

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

39. I walked \_\_\_\_\_ across the field to reach the other side faster.

- adv.* in an oblique or slanted direction or manner; at an angle between horizontal and vertical

ANSWERS: 32. invite, 33. clue, 34. Doubt, 35. consequences, 36. dislike, 37. conceive, 38. perseverance, 39. diagonally

40. \_\_\_\_\_ a number by itself twice.
- v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
41. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
42. Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as \_\_\_\_\_ but was later proven correct.
- adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
43. One \_\_\_\_\_ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
- n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
44. This shirt will \_\_\_\_\_ in the wash.
- v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
45. Initially, we must \_\_\_\_\_ all project-related expenses.
- v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
46. Her \_\_\_\_\_ to help others earned her many friends.
- n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
47. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

ANSWERS: 40. Multiply, 41. statistics, 42. ridiculous, 43. determinant, 44. shrink, 45. examine, 46. willingness, 47. creative

48. 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

49. All the books in this section \_\_\_\_\_ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

*v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

50. In the city, the risk of traffic accidents \_\_\_\_\_ at every corner.

*v.* to wait somewhere secretly, especially because you are about to attack someone or do something bad or illegal

51. It was \_\_\_\_\_ for the store to have such a big sale.

*adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare

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

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

53. Bungee jumping was an \_\_\_\_\_ experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.

*adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

54. The movie has received almost universally \_\_\_\_\_ criticism.

*adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

55. \_\_\_\_\_ is the mother of all learning.

*n.* the act of doing or saying something many times

ANSWERS: 48. degree, 49. belong, 50. lurks, 51. uncommon, 52. profoundly, 53. exhilarating, 54. negative, 55. Repetition

56. He bought a new \_\_\_\_\_ to attach the strap to his watch.

- n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

57. He cannot \_\_\_\_\_ a holiday.

- v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

58. The store is \_\_\_\_\_ empty.

- adv.* almost or nearly

59. In the hospital, she will remain under constant \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone

60. He \_\_\_\_\_ his inheritance on frivolous purchases.

- v.* to spend or use something wastefully; to waste by spending or using too freely

61. The horror movie was so \_\_\_\_\_ that I couldn't watch it alone.

- adj.* causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating

62. Australia is widely \_\_\_\_\_ as having low levels of corruption.

- v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

63. Schools should \_\_\_\_\_ children's mutual interest spirit.

- v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

64. I look forward to \_\_\_\_\_ every two weeks.

- n.* the day on which an employee receives wages or a salary for work performed; a specific time period, usually two weeks or a month, during which wages or salaries are earned and paid out

ANSWERS: 56. stud, 57. afford, 58. practically, 59. observation, 60. squandered, 61. scary, 62. perceived, 63. nurture, 64. payday

65. The researchers were unable to \_\_\_\_\_ the theory.  
*v.* to show that something is not true or correct
66. The newspaper devoted several \_\_\_\_\_ to the affair.  
*n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument
67. The committee has decided to \_\_\_\_\_ the president from the post.  
*v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
68. Her visit will \_\_\_\_\_ from Monday to Friday.  
*v.* to broaden in scope, range, or area
69. The leader \_\_\_\_\_ a state of emergency in the country.  
*v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
70. He is still \_\_\_\_\_ stealing the money from the cash register.  
*v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
71. I found her assertion pretty \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* able to make someone believe that something is true
72. The abacus is an ancient counting device that was used for \_\_\_\_\_ calculations.  
*n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division

ANSWERS: 65. disprove, 66. columns, 67. dismiss, 68. extend, 69. proclaimed, 70. denying, 71. convincing, 72. arithmetic



73. It takes a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ to stand up for what you believe is right.  
*n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
74. Drug \_\_\_\_\_ is associated with mental health disorders.  
*n.* the act of using something in an unsuitable way or for the wrong purpose
75. The artist held a \_\_\_\_\_ to teach students how to paint with watercolors.  
*n.* a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group
76. She \_\_\_\_\_ that she was innocent, despite the evidence against her.  
*v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true
77. We are motivated by \_\_\_\_\_ rather than necessity.  
*n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
78. He wants to \_\_\_\_\_ ownership of the abandoned property.  
*v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
79. The stages of the play were meticulously \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy
80. He needed to \_\_\_\_\_ with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.  
*v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons

ANSWERS: 73. courage, 74. misuse, 75. workshop, 76. asserted, 77. curiosity, 78. claim, 79. authentic, 80. grapple

81. The software engineers developed a new \_\_\_\_\_ algorithm to protect users' data.
- n.* the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers
82. I am considering what I should do to \_\_\_\_\_ him.
- v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
83. The \_\_\_\_\_ session of the Diet opened.
- adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
84. My initial reaction was to \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
85. He has \_\_\_\_\_ exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.
- n.* a condition or state that causes problems
86. 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
87. 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
88. The odds of winning the \_\_\_\_\_ are extremely low, but millions still buy tickets hoping to hit the jackpot.
- n.* a game of chance in which a large number of people buy tickets or chances to win a prize, with the winner(s) determined by a random drawing

ANSWERS: 81. cryptography, 82. convince, 83. ordinary, 84. refuse, 85. difficulty, 86. triangle, 87. graduate, 88. lottery

89. Necessity is the mother of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
90. Lawyers need to \_\_\_\_\_ even the most minor provisions of the law.
- v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
91. He could not \_\_\_\_\_ against temptation.
- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
92. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the discussion was the current state of the economy.
- n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
93. 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
94. Did this response \_\_\_\_\_ your request?
- v.* to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need
95. A sense of humor is an invaluable \_\_\_\_\_ in this job.
- n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
96. I \_\_\_\_\_ for reasons already stated above.
- v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

ANSWERS: 89. invention, 90. memorize, 91. struggle, 92. topic, 93. develop, 94. satisfy, 95. asset, 96. disagree

97. This remote \_\_\_\_\_ is rarely visited.

- n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

98. The majority of students actively \_\_\_\_\_ in the college's intramural sports program.

- v.* to take part in something

99. This jigsaw \_\_\_\_\_ is challenging because there are no pictures.

- n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand

100. His story was filled with obvious \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* an overstatement of facts or description; the act of making something seem larger, more important, or more significant than it is

101. The audience was \_\_\_\_\_ by her realistic acting.

- v.* to cause someone to lose clear vision temporarily, especially from bright light; to amaze or bewilder somebody with your brilliant wit, intellect, beauty, skill, etc.

102. Ethics is a branch of \_\_\_\_\_.

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

103. His \_\_\_\_\_ presentation deeply moved everyone.

- adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration

104. She \_\_\_\_\_ a new chapter into her manuscript.

- v.* to put something inside something else

ANSWERS: 97. spot, 98. participated, 99. puzzle, 100. exaggerations, 101. dazzled, 102. philosophy, 103. compelling, 104. inserted

105. When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial \_\_\_\_\_ was to flee.

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

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

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

107. He included a \_\_\_\_\_ from the book in his essay.

*n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

108. Among young people, \_\_\_\_\_ pressure can be pretty influential.

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

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

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

110. A technique called deep learning has led to \_\_\_\_\_ in AI.

*n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem

111. The earthquake caused a \_\_\_\_\_ of lumber to crumble noisily.

*n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated

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

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

ANSWERS: 105. instinct, 106. divide, 107. quotation, 108. peer, 109. argue, 110. breakthroughs, 111. stack, 112. infinite

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

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

114. Even when faced with challenges, it's important to \_\_\_\_\_ and never give up.

*v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement

115. These synthetic \_\_\_\_\_ are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

*n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

116. The politician's efforts to \_\_\_\_\_ marginalized communities were met with widespread criticism.

*v.* to deprive of power, authority, or influence, to make someone or something less powerful or effective

117. Your \_\_\_\_\_ reflects your thoughts.

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

118. His feelings of \_\_\_\_\_ from society led to depression.

*n.* the state of being isolated or detached from one's social, emotional, or political environment

ANSWERS: 113. opportune, 114. persevere, 115. fabrics, 116. disempower, 117. conversation, 118. alienation