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Session 1: Word List

avenue

n. a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach

synonym: artery, roadway, street

(1) an **avenue** of poplars, (2) an **avenue** to success
They explored every **avenue** they could think of.

wicked

adj. morally bad or evil

synonym: evil, sinful, nefarious

(1) **wicked** thoughts, (2) **wicked** grin
The **wicked** witch cast a spell on the kingdom.

medical

adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

synonym: health, disease, treatment

(1) a **medical** opinion, (2) temporary **medical** treatment
The **medical** team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

desert

n. arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

(1) **desert** basin, (2) oasis in the **desert**
This region is predominantly **desert**.

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.

clinic

n. a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition

synonym : hospital, infirmary

(1) visit to the veterinary **clinic**, (2) a dental **clinic**

She holds a **clinic** on Tuesday mornings.

handle

v. to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

synonym : control, manage, deal with

(1) **handle** a precious object, (2) **handled** the incident

We all should learn how to **handle** stress.

homeless

adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets

synonym : destitute, displaced, transient

(1) **homeless** shelter, (2) a **homeless** cat

He became **homeless** after losing his job.

patient

n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

synonym : client, recipient, subject

(1) **patient** in the hospital, (2) **patient** with weight loss

The doctor carefully examined the **patient's** medical history.

classist

adj. participate in practices or attitudes that are discriminatory or prejudicial based on social or economic status or class

synonym : discriminatory, biased, elitist

(1) **classist** attitudes, (2) **classist** stereotypes

The media's portrayal of poverty as a personal failure is **classist** and ignores systemic issues.

discriminate

v. to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

synonym: show prejudice, segregate, differentiate

(1) **discriminate** against women employees,

(2) **discriminate** between different things

You should not **discriminate** against minorities.

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**.

insure

v. to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage

synonym: protect, guard, safeguard

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

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

appointment

n. a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility

synonym: assignment, selection, commission

(1) **appointment** calendar, (2) take up an **appointment**

We had to reschedule the dentist's **appointment**.

instruction

n. detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something

synonym: education, direction, guidance

(1) individual **instruction**, (2) follow his **instructions**

They needed further **instruction** to perform their duties efficiently.

folk *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
synonym: community, family, person
(1) **folk** art, (2) the **folk** songs of a particular district
Some seaweed was used as **folk** medicine in ancient times.

guarantee *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
synonym: assure, promise, warrant
(1) **guarantee** a high quality, (2) **guarantee** women equality
We cannot **guarantee** enough raw material sources.

competition *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
synonym: contest, match, fight
(1) the first round of the **competition**, (2) intraspecific **competition**
Global **competition** is rising in virtually every industry.

resident *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
synonym: dweller, inhabitant, inhabitant
(1) a **resident** of the city, (2) **resident** tax
Visa renewal for **resident** foreigners in this country is once every five years.

underserved *adj.* inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services
(1) **underserved** market, (2) traditionally **underserved**
This area is medically **underserved**.

medicinal *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
synonym: curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

nonprofit

adj. not established for commercial profit

synonym: charitable

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

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

settle

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

synonym: inhabit, occupy, decide

(1) **settle** a dispute, (2) **settle** down in the town

I don't want to **settle** for second best.

refugee

n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

synonym: emigrant, evacuee, exile

(1) global **refugee** crisis, (2) the **refugee** camp

The community warmly welcomed the **refugees**.

capitalism

n. an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit

synonym: commercialism

(1) advance **capitalism**, (2) under the umbrella of

capitalism

Capitalism also guarantees intellectual property rights and thus promotes innovation.

maze

n. a complex network of winding passages or pathways designed as a puzzle or challenge for people to navigate through

synonym: labyrinth, puzzle, network

(1) puzzle **maze**, (2) labyrinth **maze**

We got lost in the **maze** of streets while exploring the city.

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.

bolt

n. a metal bar that slides across to lock a door or window closed; a discharge of lightning accompanied by thunder; (verb) to move or jump suddenly

synonym : lock, fastener, thunderbolt

(1) **bolt** diameter, (2) **bolt** from my bed

The lightning **bolt** twiggged in several directions.

walk-in

adj. large enough to walk into; not arranged in advance;
(noun) someone who arrives without an appointment, referral, or prior notice

synonym : unreserved, impromptu, unplanned

(1) **walk-in** interview, (2) **walk-in** freezer

The **walk-in** closet was so spacious that it felt like a small room.

emergency

n. a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

synonym : crisis, trouble, difficulty

(1) **emergency** action, (2) acute **emergency**

The president declared a state of **emergency**.

urgent

adj. requiring immediate attention or action; pressing

synonym : pressing, critical, immediate

(1) an **urgent** telegram, (2) **urgent** situation

It is **urgent** that we leave for the airport now to catch our flight.

navigate

v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

synonym : guide, helm, voyage

(1) **navigate** the Pacific, (2) **navigate** through a document

Our knowledge helps **navigate** our clients successfully.

disabled

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

synonym: handicapped, impaired, incapacitated

(1) a **disabled** veteran, (2) a learning- **disabled** child
She was **disabled** in a car accident.

flexibility

n. the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations

synonym: elasticity, adaptability, resilience

(1) mental **flexibility**, (2) the **flexibility** of the body
We dealt with those problems with speed and **flexibility**.

schedule

n. a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

synonym: agenda, program, itinerary

(1) a heavy **schedule**, (2) arrange my **schedule**
So far, the meeting is going according to **schedule**.

no-show

n. a person who fails to appear for a scheduled appointment or event without prior communication or explanation; (adjective) describing a situation where a person or thing is curiously absent or missing

synonym: absentee, non-attender, missing person

(1) **no-show** appointment, (2) **no-show** policy
The hotel charged me a fee for the **no-show** of my friend who was supposed to stay with me.

layout

n. the way in which the parts of something are arranged or set out

synonym: arrangement, configuration, design

(1) a keyboard **layout**, (2) the **layout** of a book
He designed the **layout** of the office to maximize efficiency.

provider

n. a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted

synonym : supplier

(1) an information **provider**, (2) the **provider** of the family
People select Internet **providers** not only in terms of price but also in terms of transmission speed.

alternate

adj. occurring or existing one after the other regularly

synonym : substitute, back up, equivalent

(1) **alternate** choice, (2) every **alternate** year

The cleaning lady comes on **alternate** Wednesdays.

satisfaction

n. a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

synonym : delight, pleasure, content

(1) a sense of **satisfaction**, (2) customer **satisfaction**

The mediated settlement brought **satisfaction** to both sides.

over-the-counter

adj. (often abbreviated as "OTC") relating to products or medications that are available for purchase without a prescription from a licensed healthcare professional;
(noun, of finance) a method of trading that doesn't take place on a formal exchange

synonym : OTC, off-the-shelf

(1) **over-the-counter** drugs, (2) **over-the-counter** trading

I prefer to buy **over-the-counter** medication instead of getting a prescription.

prescription

n. a written or spoken instruction that directs a medical practitioner to prescribe a specific treatment or medication for a patient

synonym : directive, instruction, order

(1) **prescription** drugs, (2) fill the **prescription**

I need to refill my **prescription** for allergy medication at the pharmacy.

amoxicillin

n. (also "amox") a type of antibiotic medication used to treat bacterial infections, such as respiratory tract infections, urinary tract infections, and ear infections; a type of penicillin that is effective against a wide range of bacteria

synonym : penicillin, amox

(1) **amoxicillin** dosage, (2) **amoxicillin** treatment

The doctor prescribed **amoxicillin** to treat the patient's bacterial infection.

straight

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

synonym : linear, honest, consecutive

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

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

pharmacy

n. a place where medicines are prepared and dispensed; a drugstore or chemist's

synonym : drugstore, chemist's, apothecary

(1) **pharmacy** chain, (2) online **pharmacy**

I need to go to the hospital **pharmacy** to pick up my prescription.

battery

n. a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them

synonym : electric cell, array, batch

(1) a dry **battery**, (2) **battery** charging

The engine did not start because the **battery** was flat.

advertise

v. to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it

synonym : publicize, announce, promote

(1) **advertise** the campaign, (2) **advertise** on social media

We want to **advertise** our company through your media.

chase

v. to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

synonym : pursue, hunt, track

(1) **chase** a dream, (2) wild goose **chase**

The police officer **chased** the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.

drain

v. to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it

synonym : draw off, bleed

(1) **drain** water from the swamp, (2) **drain** excess liquid

Push the button and let the water **drain** away.

monogamy

n. the practice of being married to only one person at a time; the state of having a mutually exclusive romantic or sexual relationship with one partner

synonym : marriage, monandry, monogamousness

(1) **monogamy** rules, (2) practice **monogamy**

Many religious institutions promote **monogamy** as the ideal form of marriage.

alternative

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

synonym : choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**

Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

federal

adj. relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level

synonym : national, central, governmental

(1) **federal** regulations, (2) **federal** funding

The **federal** government announced new regulations to protect the environment.

qualified

adj. officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job

synonym : eligible, skillful, accomplished

(1) a **qualified** doctor, (2) **qualified** in medicine

We seek a person **qualified** for the post.

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.

safety-net

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

synonym : fallback, cushion, backup

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

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

monopoly

n. exclusive control or possession of something, especially an area of business; a board game in which players try to gain a monopoly on real estate

synonym : cartel, trust, ownership

(1) a government **monopoly**, (2) **monopoly** in distribution

The government strived to protect its tobacco **monopoly**.

entity

n. something that exists independently and has its own identity

synonym : body, object, existent

(1) legal **entity**, (2) government **entity**

A company is a distinct legal **entity**.

innovate

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

synonym : bring in, introduce, found

(1) **innovate** a new method, (2) **innovate** the quality of his life

Companies developing self-driving cars consistently **innovate** the emerging technologies.

cult

n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

synonym: sect, faith, religion

(1) **cult** members, (2) **cult's** practices

The **cult** leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

sensitive

adj. able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do

synonym: exposed, susceptible, keen

(1) **sensitive** documents, (2) baby with **sensitive** skin

The teacher is very **sensitive** to children's feelings.

handsome

adj. physically attractive and pleasing in appearance; attractive and generous

synonym: good-looking, attractive, beautiful

(1) a **handsome** young man, (2) a **handsome** salary

The politician was known for his **handsome** appearance and charm.

stapler

n. a device used to bind sheets of paper together by driving a small metal staple (= a fastener used to secure multiple sheets of paper together) through them

synonym: staple gun, paper clipper, clincher

(1) **stapler** pins, (2) electric **stapler**

The heavy-duty **stapler** is perfect for binding thick stacks of paper.

innovation

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

synonym: invention, initiation, creation

(1) **innovation** leader, (2) cutting-edge **innovation**

The vegetarian burger was an **innovation** that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

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.

expense

n. the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something

synonym: cost, expenditure, outlay

(1) enormous **expenses**, (2) **expense** account

For this project to be successful, we must control **expenses** strictly.

mango

n. tropical fruit with smooth, juicy flesh and a large, hard seed in the middle

synonym: fruit, tropical fruit

(1) ripe **mango**, (2) fresh **mango**

She cut the **mango** into small pieces and added them to the salad.

church

n. a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination

synonym: chapel, cathedral, synagogue

(1) **church** bell, (2) small **church**

The **church** on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.

dentist

n. a person who is qualified and licensed to treat people's teeth

synonym: oral surgeon, orthodontist, periodontist

(1) a **dentist's** office, (2) consult a **dentist**

I am going to the family **dentist** to get my teeth cleaned.

scout

n. a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations

synonym: scoutmaster, explorer, surveyor

(1) boy **scout**, (2) **scout** troop

The company sent a **scout** to explore new business opportunities in the overseas market.

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.

profit

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

synonym: earnings, gain, proceeds

(1) gross **profit**, (2) make a **profit**

This business yields little **profit**.

entrepreneurship

n. the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one

synonym: self-employment, risk-taking

(1) **entrepreneurship** culture, (2) embody **entrepreneurship**

The government is investing in programs to support **entrepreneurship** and small business development.

arbitrage

n. the practice of buying and selling goods, securities, or currencies in different markets or locations to make a

profit from the differences in price between them
synonym: trading, speculation, hedging

(1) **arbitrage** opportunity, (2) volatility **arbitrage**

The hedge fund manager used **arbitrage** strategies to profit from the price differences between securities.

inefficiency

n. the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive

synonym: ineffectiveness, inefficacy, inadequacy

(1) **inefficiency** in the system, (2) bureaucratic **inefficiency**

The company's **inefficiency** in handling customer requests led to many complaints.

downside

n. the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure

synonym: drawback, negative, disadvantage

(1) major **downside**, (2) **downside** of globalization

The **downside** of the new policy was that it would be more expensive for customers.

exposure

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

synonym: vulnerability, disclosure, uncovering

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

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

specialize

v. to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business

synonym: narrow down, particularize

(1) **specialize** in child care, (2) **specialize** in market research

The restaurant has chefs who **specialize** in beef.

bomb

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

synonym: missile, explosive, ammunition

(1) atomic **bombs**, (2) disarm the **bomb**

The use of cluster **bombs** is strictly prohibited by international law.

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.

apostrophe

n. a punctuation mark used to indicate the omission of letters or numbers in a word or to indicate possession; a figure of speech in which a person or thing is addressed directly, as if present, or referred to as if present

synonym: single quote, mark

(1) **apostrophe** placement, (2) double **apostrophe**

I added an **apostrophe** to the end of the word "parents" to show that both parents possess something.

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.

narcissist

n. a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements

synonym: egotist, boaster, braggart

(1) relationship with a **narcissist**, (2) somatic **narcissist**

He thinks she is a high **narcissist** because she always talks about herself and her accomplishments.

unicorn

n. a mythical horse-like creature with a single horn on its forehead; a privately held startup company that reached a valuation of \$1 billion

synonym : mythical creature, fantasy animal, legendary horse

(1) **unicorn** beetle, (2) **unicorn** investors

In medieval times, people believed that the **unicorn** horn had magical powers that could cure diseases.

essay

n. a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study

synonym : paper, commentary, report

(1) score the SAT **essays**, (2) thoughtful **essay**

The Chief editor checks all **essays** for plagiarism with software.

fortunate

adj. having good luck or lucky

synonym : fortuitous, lucky, blessed

(1) **fortunate** situation, (2) less **fortunate** person

He was pretty **fortunate** to pass the exam.

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**.

breed

v. to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner

synonym : raise, multiply, reproduce

(1) **breed** horses, (2) **breed** suspicion

This animal **breeds** in northern latitudes.

gap

n. a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.

synonym : opening, lacuna, spread

(1) the **gap** between ideal and reality, (2) distance **gap**
Many people are working together to close the gender **gap**.

inequality

n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others;
(mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

synonym: imbalance, prejudice, unfairness

(1) **inequality** in salary, (2) algebraic **inequality**

There are several causes of economic **inequality** within societies.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym: acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

privilege

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

synonym: benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership

In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

Session 2: Spelling

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31. arrange my sc_____le *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
32. major do_____de *n.* the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure
33. saf_____et program *n.* a precautionary measure intended to provide support or assistance to individuals or groups who are in danger of falling into poverty, hardship, or other negative outcomes
34. me_____al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
35. there is no other alt_____ve *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
36. re_____nt tax *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
37. a me_____l opinion *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
38. pr_____ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
39. under the umbrella of cap_____sm *n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit

ANSWERS: 30. dentist, 31. schedule, 32. downside, 33. safety-net, 34. medicinal, 35. alternative, 36. resident, 37. medical, 38. privilege, 39. capitalism

40. de___t basin *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
41. dr__n excess liquid *v.* to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it
42. online ph____cy *n.* a place where medicines are prepared and dispensed; a drugstore or chemist's
43. a di____ed veteran *adj.* having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do
44. a de____t's office *n.* a person who is qualified and licensed to treat people's teeth
45. se___e a dispute *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
46. spe_____ze in market research *v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
47. cl____st attitudes *adj.* participate in practices or attitudes that are discriminatory or prejudicial based on social or economic status or class
48. br__d suspicion *v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
49. nat_____de network *adj.* extending throughout an entire nation
50. traditional me____al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
51. cr____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
52. gu_____ee women equality *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met

ANSWERS: 40. desert, 41. drain, 42. pharmacy, 43. disabled, 44. dentist, 45. settle, 46. specialize, 47. classist, 48. breed, 49. nationwide, 50. medicinal, 51. creative, 52. guarantee

53. ho____ss shelter *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
54. ch____h bell *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
55. mo____ly in distribution *n.* exclusive control or possession of something, especially an area of business; a board game in which players try to gain a monopoly on real estate
56. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
57. score the SAT es__ys *n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study
58. op____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
59. ine____ncy in the system *n.* the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive
60. pre____ion drugs *n.* a written or spoken instruction that directs a medical practitioner to prescribe a specific treatment or medication for a patient
61. pa____t with weight loss *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

ANSWERS: 53. homeless, 54. church, 55. monopoly, 56. communal, 57. essay, 58. opportune, 59. inefficiency, 60. prescription, 61. patient

62. relationship with a nar_____st *n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
63. traditionally und_____ed *adj.* inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services
64. st_____r pins *n.* a device used to bind sheets of paper together by driving a small metal staple (= a fastener used to secure multiple sheets of paper together) through them
65. ha____ed the incident *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
66. ad_____se on social media *v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
67. visit to the veterinary cl____c *n.* a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition
68. re____e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
69. take up an app_____nt *n.* a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility
70. ripe ma__o *n.* tropical fruit with smooth, juicy flesh and a large, hard seed in the middle
71. acute em_____cy *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

ANSWERS: 62. narcissist, 63. underserved, 64. stapler, 65. handle, 66. advertise, 67. clinic, 68. refuse, 69. appointment, 70. mango, 71. emergency

72. bureaucratic ine_____ncy *n.* the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive
73. wa_____n interview *adj.* large enough to walk into; not arranged in advance; (noun) someone who arrives without an appointment, referral, or prior notice
74. amo_____in dosage *n.* (also "amox") a type of antibiotic medication used to treat bacterial infections, such as respiratory tract infections, urinary tract infections, and ear infections; a type of penicillin that is effective against a wide range of bacteria
75. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
76. the fle_____ty of the body *n.* the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations
77. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
78. government en____y *n.* something that exists independently and has its own identity
79. wild goose ch__e *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

ANSWERS: 72. inefficiency, 73. walk-in, 74. amoxicillin, 75. straight, 76. flexibility, 77. innovation, 78. entity, 79. chase

80. less fo_____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
81. ad_____se the campaign *v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
82. dis_____ate against women employees *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
83. cl_____st stereotypes *adj.* participate in practices or attitudes that are discriminatory or prejudicial based on social or economic status or class
84. wi____d thoughts *adj.* morally bad or evil
85. small ch____h *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
86. embody ent_____hip *n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one
87. b__t diameter *n.* a metal bar that slides across to lock a door or window closed; a discharge of lightning accompanied by thunder; (verb) to move or jump suddenly
88. baby with se_____ve skin *adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do

ANSWERS: 80. fortunate, 81. advertise, 82. discriminate, 83. classist, 84. wicked, 85. church, 86. entrepreneurship, 87. bolt, 88. sensitive

89. 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
90. ove_____ter trading *adj.* (often abbreviated as "OTC") relating to products or medications that are available for purchase without a prescription from a licensed healthcare professional; (noun, of finance) a method of trading that doesn't take place on a formal exchange
91. do_____de of globalization *n.* the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure
92. enormous ex_____es *n.* the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
93. f__k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
94. a ho_____ss cat *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
95. fe_____l regulations *adj.* relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level
96. a sense of sat_____ion *n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

ANSWERS: 89. threat, 90. over-the-counter, 91. downside, 92. expense, 93. folk, 94. homeless, 95. federal, 96. satisfaction

97. an av___e to success *n.* a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach
98. a learning-di_____ed child *adj.* having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do
99. oasis in the de___t *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
100. qu_____ed in medicine *adj.* officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job
101. em_____cy action *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
102. the la___t of a book *n.* the way in which the parts of something are arranged or set out
103. ba_____y charging *n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them
104. temporary me_____l treatment *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
105. a dry ba_____y *n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them
106. the first round of the com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

ANSWERS: 97. avenue, 98. disabled, 99. desert, 100. qualified, 101. emergency, 102. layout, 103. battery, 104. medical, 105. battery, 106. competition

107. make a pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
108. fe_____l funding *adj.* relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level
109. the ex_____re of a fraud *n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
110. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
111. atomic b__bs *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
112. follow his ins_____ons *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
113. in_____te a new method *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
114. nat_____de strike *adj.* extending throughout an entire nation
115. mo_____my rules *n.* the practice of being married to only one person at a time; the state of having a mutually exclusive romantic or sexual relationship with one partner

ANSWERS: 107. profit, 108. federal, 109. exposure, 110. recognize, 111. bomb, 112. instruction, 113. innovate, 114. nationwide, 115. monogamy

116. se_____ve documents *adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do
117. a ha_____me young man *adj.* physically attractive and pleasing in appearance; attractive and generous
118. sc__t troop *n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations
119. c__t members *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
120. na_____te through a document *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
121. dis_____ate between different things *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
122. environmental th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

ANSWERS: 116. sensitive, 117. handsome, 118. scout, 119. cult, 120. navigate, 121. discriminate, 122. threat

123. the pr_____er of the family *n.* a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted
124. individual ins_____on *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
125. a southern ex_____re *n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
126. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
127. labyrinth m___e *n.* a complex network of winding passages or pathways designed as a puzzle or challenge for people to navigate through
128. wi___d grin *adj.* morally bad or evil
129. a qu_____ed doctor *adj.* officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job
130. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
131. und_____ed market *adj.* inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services
132. a re_____nt of the city *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
133. ove_____ter drugs *adj.* (often abbreviated as "OTC") relating to products or medications that are available for purchase without a prescription from a licensed healthcare professional; (noun, of finance) a method of trading that doesn't take place on a formal exchange

ANSWERS: 123. provider, 124. instruction, 125. exposure, 126. government, 127. maze, 128. wicked, 129. qualified, 130. fortunate, 131. underserved, 132. resident, 133. over-the-counter

134. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
135. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
136. a heavy sc_____le *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
137. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
138. practice mo_____my *n.* the practice of being married to only one person at a time; the state of having a mutually exclusive romantic or sexual relationship with one partner
139. advance cap_____sm *n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
140. intraspecific com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
141. in___e domestic tranquility *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
142. a dental cl___c *n.* a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition
143. un_____n investors *n.* a mythical horse-like creature with a single horn on its forehead; a privately held startup company that reached a valuation of \$1 billion

ANSWERS: 134. government, 135. amazing, 136. schedule, 137. recognize, 138. monogamy, 139. capitalism, 140. competition, 141. insure, 142. clinic, 143. unicorn

144. algebraic ine_____ty *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
145. saf_____et policy *n.* a precautionary measure intended to provide support or assistance to individuals or groups who are in danger of falling into poverty, hardship, or other negative outcomes
146. app_____nt calendar *n.* a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility
147. un_____on occurrence *adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare
148. in___e my house against fire *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
149. boy sc__t *n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations
150. volatility ar_____ge *n.* the practice of buying and selling goods, securities, or currencies in different markets or locations to make a profit from the differences in price between them
151. no_____it agency *adj.* not established for commercial profit

ANSWERS: 144. inequality, 145. safety-net, 146. appointment, 147. uncommon, 148. insure, 149. scout, 150. arbitrage, 151. nonprofit

152. an alt_____ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
153. spe_____ze in child care *v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
154. a no_____it organization *adj.* not established for commercial profit
155. ent_____hip culture *n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one
156. a government mo_____ly *n.* exclusive control or possession of something, especially an area of business; a board game in which players try to gain a monopoly on real estate
157. an information pr_____er *n.* a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted
158. b__t from my bed *n.* a metal bar that slides across to lock a door or window closed; a discharge of lightning accompanied by thunder; (verb) to move or jump suddenly
159. the g_p between ideal and reality *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
160. ar_____ge opportunity *n.* the practice of buying and selling goods, securities, or currencies in different markets or locations to make a profit from the differences in price between them
161. se___e down in the town *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement

ANSWERS: 152. alternative, 153. specialize, 154. nonprofit, 155. entrepreneurship, 156. monopoly, 157. provider, 158. bolt, 159. gap, 160. arbitrage, 161. settle

162. ph____cy chain *n.* a place where medicines are prepared and dispensed; a drugstore or chemist's
163. ine_____ty in salary *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
164. amo_____in treatment *n.* (also "amox") a type of antibiotic medication used to treat bacterial infections, such as respiratory tract infections, urinary tract infections, and ear infections; a type of penicillin that is effective against a wide range of bacteria
165. distance g_p *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
166. mental fle_____ty *n.* the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations
167. apo_____he placement *n.* a punctuation mark used to indicate the omission of letters or numbers in a word or to indicate possession; a figure of speech in which a person or thing is addressed directly, as if present, or referred to as if present
168. no_____w policy *n.* a person who fails to appear for a scheduled appointment or event without prior communication or explanation; (adjective) describing a situation where a person or thing is curiously absent or missing

ANSWERS: 162. pharmacy, 163. inequality, 164. amoxicillin, 165. gap, 166. flexibility, 167. apostrophe, 168. no-show

169. gross pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
170. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
171. a keyboard la___t *n.* the way in which the parts of something are arranged or set out
172. fill the pre _____ion *n.* a written or spoken instruction that directs a medical practitioner to prescribe a specific treatment or medication for a patient
173. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
174. a st_____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
175. al_____te choice *adj.* occurring or existing one after the other regularly
176. gu_____ee a high quality *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
177. in_____te the quality of his life *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
178. un_____n beetle *n.* a mythical horse-like creature with a single horn on its forehead; a privately held startup company that reached a valuation of \$1 billion

ANSWERS: 169. profit, 170. opportune, 171. layout, 172. prescription, 173. innovation, 174. straight, 175. alternate, 176. guarantee, 177. innovate, 178. unicorn

179. puzzle m__e *n.* a complex network of winding passages or pathways designed as a puzzle or challenge for people to navigate through
180. ha___e a precious object *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
181. na_____te the Pacific *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
182. double apo_____he *n.* a punctuation mark used to indicate the omission of letters or numbers in a word or to indicate possession; a figure of speech in which a person or thing is addressed directly, as if present, or referred to as if present

ANSWERS: 179. maze, 180. handle, 181. navigate, 182. apostrophe

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. It is _____ that we leave for the airport now to catch our flight.
adj. requiring immediate attention or action; pressing

2. They explored every _____ they could think of.
n. a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach

3. Companies developing self-driving cars consistently _____ the emerging technologies.
v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

4. The _____ team worked quickly to save the patient's life.
adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

5. 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

6. This business yields little _____.
n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

7. He thinks she is a high _____ because she always talks about herself and her accomplishments.
n. a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements

ANSWERS: 1. urgent, 2. avenue, 3. innovate, 4. medical, 5. threat, 6. profit, 7. narcissist

8. The _____ of the new policy was that it would be more expensive for customers.
- n.* the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure
9. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.
- n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
10. The use of cluster _____ is strictly prohibited by international law.
- n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
11. This region is predominantly _____.
- n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
12. _____ also guarantees intellectual property rights and thus promotes innovation.
- n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
13. The lightning _____ twiggged in several directions.
- n.* a metal bar that slides across to lock a door or window closed; a discharge of lightning accompanied by thunder; (verb) to move or jump suddenly
14. Our knowledge helps _____ our clients successfully.
- v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
15. The _____ witch cast a spell on the kingdom.
- adj.* morally bad or evil

ANSWERS: 8. downside, 9. folk, 10. bombs, 11. desert, 12. Capitalism, 13. bolt, 14. navigate, 15. wicked

16. The hotel charged me a fee for the _____ of my friend who was supposed to stay with me.
- n.* a person who fails to appear for a scheduled appointment or event without prior communication or explanation; (adjective) describing a situation where a person or thing is curiously absent or missing
17. We had to reschedule the dentist's _____.
- n.* a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility
18. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
19. Visa renewal for _____ foreigners in this country is once every five years.
- n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
20. The company's _____ in handling customer requests led to many complaints.
- n.* the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive
21. They needed further _____ to perform their duties efficiently.
- n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
22. So far, the meeting is going according to _____.
- n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
23. We all should learn how to _____ stress.
- v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

ANSWERS: 16. no-show, 17. appointment, 18. Communal, 19. resident, 20. inefficiency, 21. instruction, 22. schedule, 23. handle

24. The government is investing in programs to support _____ and small business development.
- n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one
25. We want to _____ our company through your media.
- v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
26. The company sent a _____ to explore new business opportunities in the overseas market.
- n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations
27. I will _____ my car before I go on a road trip.
- v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
28. This animal _____ in northern latitudes.
- v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
29. My initial reaction was to _____.
- v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
30. The government provides a _____ for those who are struggling financially.
- n.* a precautionary measure intended to provide support or assistance to individuals or groups who are in danger of falling into poverty, hardship, or other negative outcomes
31. A company is a distinct legal _____.
- n.* something that exists independently and has its own identity

ANSWERS: 24. entrepreneurship, 25. advertise, 26. scout, 27. insure, 28. breeds, 29. refuse, 30. safety-net, 31. entity

32. We seek a person _____ for the post.

adj. officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job

33. It was _____ for the store to have such a big sale.

adj. not occurring or seen very often; rare

34. Many religious institutions promote _____ as the ideal form of marriage.

n. the practice of being married to only one person at a time; the state of having a mutually exclusive romantic or sexual relationship with one partner

35. The long _____ to the air tarnished the antique tableware.

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

36. There are several causes of economic _____ within societies.

n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

37. I am going to the family _____ to get my teeth cleaned.

n. a person who is qualified and licensed to treat people's teeth

38. Global _____ is rising in virtually every industry.

n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

39. The hedge fund manager used _____ strategies to profit from the price differences between securities.

n. the practice of buying and selling goods, securities, or currencies in different markets or locations to make a profit from the differences in price between them

ANSWERS: 32. qualified, 33. uncommon, 34. monogamy, 35. exposure, 36. inequality, 37. dentist, 38. competition, 39. arbitrage

40. The heavy-duty _____ is perfect for binding thick stacks of paper.
n. a device used to bind sheets of paper together by driving a small metal staple (= a fastener used to secure multiple sheets of paper together) through them
41. The cleaning lady comes on _____ Wednesdays.
adj. occurring or existing one after the other regularly
42. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
43. People select Internet _____ not only in terms of price but also in terms of transmission speed.
n. a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted
44. This area is medically _____.
adj. inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services
45. The doctor carefully examined the _____ medical history.
n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
46. He was sick for five _____ days.
adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
47. I added an _____ to the end of the word "parents" to show that both parents possess something.
n. a punctuation mark used to indicate the omission of letters or numbers in a word or to indicate possession; a figure of speech in which a person or thing is addressed directly, as if present, or referred to as if present

ANSWERS: 40. stapler, 41. alternate, 42. innovation, 43. providers, 44. underserved,

45. patient's, 46. straight, 47. apostrophe

48. The government strived to protect its tobacco _____.
- n.* exclusive control or possession of something, especially an area of business; a board game in which players try to gain a monopoly on real estate
49. The police officer _____ the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.
- v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
50. I prefer to buy _____ medication instead of getting a prescription.
- adj.* (often abbreviated as "OTC") relating to products or medications that are available for purchase without a prescription from a licensed healthcare professional; (noun, of finance) a method of trading that doesn't take place on a formal exchange
51. Many people are working together to close the gender _____.
- n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
52. The _____ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.
- adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
53. The _____ on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.
- n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
54. The doctor prescribed _____ to treat the patient's bacterial infection.
- n.* (also "amox") a type of antibiotic medication used to treat bacterial infections, such as respiratory tract infections, urinary tract infections, and ear infections; a type of penicillin that is effective against a wide range of bacteria

ANSWERS: 48. monopoly, 49. chased, 50. over-the-counter, 51. gap, 52. medicinal, 53. church, 54. amoxicillin

55. He designed the _____ of the office to maximize efficiency.

n. the way in which the parts of something are arranged or set out

56. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

57. The restaurant has chefs who _____ in beef.

v. to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business

58. He became _____ after losing his job.

adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets

59. The _____ closet was so spacious that it felt like a small room.

adj. large enough to walk into; not arranged in advance; (noun) someone who arrives without an appointment, referral, or prior notice

60. For this project to be successful, we must control _____ strictly.

n. the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something

61. She holds a _____ on Tuesday mornings.

n. a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition

62. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

63. She cut the _____ into small pieces and added them to the salad.

n. tropical fruit with smooth, juicy flesh and a large, hard seed in the middle

ANSWERS: 55. layout, 56. amazing, 57. specialize, 58. homeless, 59. walk-in, 60. expenses, 61. clinic, 62. recognize, 63. mango

64. The teacher is very _____ to children's feelings.

adj. able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do

65. I need to refill my _____ for allergy medication at the pharmacy.

n. a written or spoken instruction that directs a medical practitioner to prescribe a specific treatment or medication for a patient

66. The mediated settlement brought _____ to both sides.

n. a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

67. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.

adj. having good luck or lucky

68. Push the button and let the water _____ away.

v. to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it

69. We cannot _____ enough raw material sources.

v. to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met

70. We dealt with those problems with speed and _____.

n. the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations

71. She was _____ in a car accident.

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

ANSWERS: 64. sensitive, 65. prescription, 66. satisfaction, 67. fortunate, 68. drain, 69. guarantee, 70. flexibility, 71. disabled

72. 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
73. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.
- n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
74. The _____ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.
- n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
75. You should not _____ against minorities.
- v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
76. The engine did not start because the _____ was flat.
- n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them
77. The Chief editor checks all _____ for plagiarism with software.
- n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study
78. Our law firm also focuses on _____ activities.
- adj.* not established for commercial profit

ANSWERS: 72. creative, 73. alternative, 74. cult, 75. discriminate, 76. battery, 77. essays, 78. nonprofit

79. We got lost in the _____ of streets while exploring the city.

n. a complex network of winding passages or pathways designed as a puzzle or challenge for people to navigate through

80. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

81. The _____ government announced new regulations to protect the environment.

adj. relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level

82. I don't want to _____ for second best.

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

83. The community warmly welcomed the _____.

n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

84. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

85. This is a _____ campaign to recruit women into trade unions.

adj. extending throughout an entire nation

ANSWERS: 79. maze, 80. opportune, 81. federal, 82. settle, 83. refugees, 84. privilege, 85. nationwide

86. In medieval times, people believed that the _____ horn had magical powers that could cure diseases.
- n.* a mythical horse-like creature with a single horn on its forehead; a privately held startup company that reached a valuation of \$1 billion
87. The media's portrayal of poverty as a personal failure is _____ and ignores systemic issues.
- adj.* participate in practices or attitudes that are discriminatory or prejudicial based on social or economic status or class
88. The politician was known for his _____ appearance and charm.
- adj.* physically attractive and pleasing in appearance; attractive and generous
89. 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
90. I need to go to the hospital _____ to pick up my prescription.
- n.* a place where medicines are prepared and dispensed; a drugstore or chemist's
91. The president declared a state of _____.
- n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

ANSWERS: 86. unicorn, 87. classist, 88. handsome, 89. government, 90. pharmacy, 91. emergency