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Session 1: Word List

sociology

n. the scientific study of human social behavior, including the way in which people interact with one another, the organizations and institutions they create, and the societies they form

synonym: anthropology, demography, folklore

(1) **sociology** professor, (2) animal **sociology**

She studied **sociology** in college, learning about different societies and how they function.

democracy

n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

synonym: self-government, republic, commonwealth

(1) **democracy** advocate, (2) principles of **democracy**

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

welfare

n. the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group

synonym: well-being, benefit, health

(1) child **welfare**, (2) a **welfare** state

She struggled for years to survive without **welfare**.

enthusiasm

n. a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it

synonym : eagerness, zeal, willingness

(1) unflagging **enthusiasm**, (2) lose **enthusiasm**

We are tackling the development for updates with **enthusiasm**.

egalitarian

adj. relating to or characterized by the belief in the equal rights, opportunities, and treatment of all people, regardless of their race, gender, or social class

synonym : equalitarian, democratic, fair

(1) **egalitarian** society, (2) **egalitarian** principles

The company prides itself on being an **egalitarian** workplace with equal employment opportunities.

thesis

n. a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject

synonym : dissertation, argument, treatise

(1) a drift of a **thesis**, (2) master **thesis**

His **thesis** on the effects of climate change won several awards.

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.

wage

n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

synonym : payment, compensation, salary

(1) unpaid **wages**, (2) increase in the minimum **wage**

His **wages** continued to rise as his skills improved.

hammock

n. a type of lightweight bed or sling made of canvas, rope, or netting, often suspended between two supports such as trees or poles; a type of vegetation-rich ecosystem found in lowland areas

synonym : cradle, swing

(1) **hammock** swing, (2) woven **hammock**

I like to relax in a **hammock** on warm summer days.

aspiring

adj. desiring or striving for recognition or advancement; wanting to be successful in life

synonym : hopeful, ambitious, eager

(1) **aspiring** prime minister, (2) have **aspiring** eyes

He was extremely generous to the **aspiring** young artist.

native

adj. connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

synonym : endemic, domestic, aboriginal

(1) **native** to Africa, (2) **native** language

The vegetation here is almost wholly **native**.

sympathy

n. the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions

synonym : compassion, empathy, understanding

(1) **sympathy** card, (2) feel **sympathy**

I expressed my **sympathy** to my friend after her cat passed away.

puzzled

adj. confused or uncertain because you do not understand something

synonym : confused, perplexed, bewildered

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

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

minimal

adj. tiny in amount; the least possible

synonym: tiniest, essential, minimum

(1) **minimal** effort, (2) **minimal** amount

The process was carried out at **minimal** cost.

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.

intervention

n. the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so

synonym: interference, intercession, treatment

(1) **intervention** by foreign powers, (2) surgical

intervention

This **intervention** does not require the patient's consent.

economy

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

synonym: finance, trade, business

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

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

define

v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

synonym: characterize, depict, express

(1) **define** a word, (2) **define** my position

To advance this discussion, we must **define** "success" rigorously.

poverty

n. the condition of being extremely poor
synonym: deprivation, destitution, poorness

(1) **poverty** alleviation, (2) the cycle of **poverty**

Many studies have investigated the relationship between **poverty** and academic achievement.

reliable

adj. worthy of being relied on; trustworthy
synonym: dependable, trustworthy, dedicated

(1) **reliable** access, (2) guarantee **reliable** delivery

Trains are **reliable**, inexpensive, and ideal for long-distance travel.

wealth

n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
synonym: affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
synonym: person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

consultant

n. a person who provides professional or expert advice
synonym: expert, advisor, specialist

(1) **consultant** firm, (2) chief **consultant**

We hired a management **consultant** to help us improve our business strategy.

jargon

n. specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify

synonym: lingo, vernacular, slang

(1) business **jargon**, (2) scientific **jargon**

The financial industry is notorious for using complicated **jargon** that confuses consumers.

watermark

n. a visible or invisible design or pattern that is embedded into paper or other surfaces and is used to prevent counterfeiting or illegal copying

synonym: logo, insignia, emblem

(1) copyright **watermark**, (2) **watermark** logo

The **watermark** on the document ensured that it could not be forged or duplicated without permission.

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.

absolute

adj. perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

synonym: complete, infrangible, indisputable

(1) **absolute** loyalty, (2) an **absolute** must

Gandhi had an **absolute** zeal for nonviolence.

capita

n. a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone

synonym: head, headcount, person

(1) per **capita** sales, (2) the agricultural yield per **capita**
GDP per **capita** shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.

inhabitant

n. a person or an animal that lives in a particular place

synonym: dweller, occupant, resident

(1) the early **inhabitants** of Europe, (2) **inhabitant** tax

His family is the oldest **inhabitant** of the island.

purity

n. the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature

synonym : sinlessness, innocence, cleanliness

(1) the degree of **purity**, (2) high **purity**

Higher **purity** requires additional equipment and energy.

haven

n. a shelter serving as a place of safety or sanctuary; a sheltered port where ships can take on or discharge cargo

synonym : harbor, refuge, sanctuary

(1) **haven** for terrorists, (2) cheap-labor **haven**

That country is a tax **haven** where many wealthy people have paper corporations.

insane

adj. extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill

synonym : crazy, mad, foolish

(1) go **insane** with pleasure, (2) an **insane** scheme

Her excessive demands drove me **insane**.

billionaire

n. a person who has a net worth of at least one billion dollars

synonym : mega-rich, wealthy, tycoon

(1) Silicon Valley **billionaire**, (2) oil **billionaire**

The self-made **billionaire** donated millions to charity.

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.

socialist

adj. relating to or supporting socialism (= the idea that the wealth and resources of a society should be shared)

among all members rather than being concentrated in the hands of a small group of individuals or corporations)

synonym: communistic, Marxist, socialist

(1) **socialist** regime, (2) **socialist** ideology

He is a progressive **socialist** and believes in the equal distribution of wealth.

paradise

n. a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth

synonym: heaven, Eden, utopia

(1) **paradise** island, (2) **paradise** for criminals

Hawaii is often referred to as an everlasting summer **paradise**.

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.

grant

v. to agree to give or allow somebody

synonym: allocate, authorize, give

(1) **grant** a new license, (2) **grant** a land

The chairperson **granted** him the right to speak.

talent

n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

synonym: endowment, aptitude, capability

(1) a person of diverse **talents**, (2) raw **talent**

Numerous great professional sports **talents** have come from this city.

mobility

n. the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another

synonym: flexibility, maneuverability

(1) lack in **mobility**, (2) improve social **mobility**

I have limited **mobility** in my arms.

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?

rag

n. a piece of cloth, especially an old one, torn or cut into strips and used for cleaning

synonym : cloth, fragment

(1) a **rag** of cloud, (2) **rag** doll

He used an old **rag** to clean the grease off the car's engine.

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.

distribute

v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

synonym : broadcast, disperse, hand out

(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content

His estate was **distributed** to his sons.

self-made

adj. having succeeded in life unaided; having become wealthy or successful through one's efforts

synonym : self-sufficient, self-reliant

(1) **self-made** entrepreneur, (2) **self-made** man

He's a **self-made** millionaire who built his fortune from scratch.

toll

n. money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly

synonym : fee, cost, expense

(1) a **toll** road, (2) **toll** a bell at his death
There is no **toll** car park nearby.

plaza

n. a public square, marketplace, or similar open area in a town, especially in Spanish-speaking countries
synonym: park, square, center

(1) main **plaza**, (2) memorial **plaza**

Three young men were busking in the shopping **plaza**.

gizmo

n. a small gadget or mechanical device, particularly one that is difficult to name or describe
synonym: gadget, device, contraption

(1) handy **gizmo**, (2) high-tech **gizmo**

You can find all kinds of interesting **gizmos** in this store.

attach

v. to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
synonym: fix, fasten, bind

(1) **attach** firmly, (2) **attach** a file to an e-mail

He does not **attach** importance to these rumors.

convenient

adj. useful, helpful, or quick to do
synonym: timely, fortunate, suitable

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

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

grocery

n. a shop that sells food and other household items
synonym: foodstuff, market

(1) the **grocery** business, (2) run a **grocery**

I will go to the **grocery** store to buy food for dinner.

shock

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

synonym: amazement, surprise, stunner

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

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

toilet

n. a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture

synonym : bathroom, lavatory, washroom

(1) **toilet** paper, (2) **toilet** seat

She walked to the **toilet** to freshen up before the meeting.

automatically

adv. without needing a direct human control

synonym : mechanically, unconsciously, spontaneously

(1) record driving **automatically**, (2) **automatically** adjusted

Our subscription plan is **automatically** renewed.

janitor

n. a person whose job is to clean and maintain a large building, such as a school or a block of flats

synonym : keeper, guardian, custodian

(1) part-time **janitor**, (2) duty of the **janitor**

The school **janitor** was laid off.

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym : substitute, supersede, displace

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

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

preparation

n. the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready

synonym : practice, trial, rehearsal

(1) a **preparation** program, (2) the **preparation** of meals

He helped me with the **preparation** of this book.

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.

downsize

v. to reduce the size, scale, or scope of something, such as a company or organization; to decrease the number of employees or members

synonym : reduce, cut back, trim

(1) **downsize** a company, (2) **downsize** a menu

The company had to **downsize** due to financial difficulties and let go of many employees.

introductory

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

synonym : beginning, preliminary, initial

(1) **introductory** biology text, (2) product **introductory** sale

The **introductory** class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.

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**.

solidarity

n. unity or agreement of feelings or actions among a group, especially among individuals with a common interest

synonym : unity, cooperation, mutual support

(1) **solidarity** among union members, (2) **solidarity** action

The workers showed **solidarity** in their strike for better working conditions.

salary

n. a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month

synonym : compensation, earnings, pay

(1) a handsome **salary**, (2) **salary** after taxes

What are your annual **salary** expectations?

engineer

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

synonym : architect, creator, builder

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

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

colleague

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

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

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

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

restraint

n. a measure taken to prevent someone or something from acting freely or excessively; self-control or moderation; a physical device used to restrict or limit movement

synonym: constraint, limitation, control

(1) physical **restraint**, (2) self- **restraint**

It's important to practice **restraint** when it comes to spending money.

subsidize

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

synonym: finance, endow, sponsor

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

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

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.

irony

n. the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect

synonym: sarcasm, cynicism, wit

(1) bitter **irony**, (2) **irony** humor

The **irony** of the situation is that he won the lottery on the day

he lost his job.

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.

complain

v. to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

synonym: gripe, claim, denounce

(1) **complain** about a job, (2) call and **complain** frequently

Our users are often **complaining** about the slow application.

critic

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

synonym: pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

institute

n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

synonym: academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**

This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

cooperate

v. to work together with one or more people or organizations to achieve a goal

synonym: collaborate, team up, work together

(1) **cooperate** with one another, (2) **cooperate** closely in various ways

The team had to **cooperate** to complete the project on time.

lift

v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position

synonym : raise, elevate, move up

(1) **lift** sagging skin, (2) **lift** a ban on alcohol

The drought **lifted** the prices of grain globally.

spectrum

n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

synonym : range, scale, spread

(1) a broad **spectrum** of opinion, (2) infrared **spectrum**

This device displayed the speech **spectrum** spectrographically.

praise

n. an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something

synonym : acclaim, honor, commendation

(1) attain critical **praise**, (2) universal **praise**

The drama series mainly received **praise**.

tandem

n. a device or arrangement that allows two or more things to be connected or work together in a coordinated manner; a bicycle built for two people to ride in a line, with one behind the other

synonym : bicycle built for two, double, tandem bike

(1) **tandem** approach, (2) **tandem** skydiving

The **tandem** bike ride was fun for the couple to enjoy together.

dynamics

n. the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change

synonym : mechanics, kinetics, kinematics

(1) **dynamics** of group, (2) **dynamics** of economy

The relationship **dynamics** between the two countries were

complex and constantly changing.

zero-sum

adj. referring to a situation in which an equal loss offsets each gain; describing a condition in which the total gains and losses balance to zero

synonym : equivalent, balanced, even-handed

(1) **zero-sum** economics, (2) **zero-sum** mentality

In some sports, such as tennis, the competition is a **zero-sum** game, with only one player able to win each match.

fulfill

v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

synonym : satisfy, complete, accomplish

(1) **fulfill** a contract, (2) **fulfill** a lifetime dream

It was the first time for her, but she **fulfilled** the role of Priest.

Session 2: Spelling

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49. a person of diverse ta_____ts *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
50. research in_____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
51. self-re_____nt *n.* a measure taken to prevent someone or something from acting freely or excessively; self-control or moderation; a physical device used to restrict or limit movement
52. bitter ir____y *n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
53. material we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
54. co_____in about a job *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
55. have as_____ng eyes *adj.* desiring or striving for recognition or advancement; wanting to be successful in life
56. fu_____l a contract *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

ANSWERS: 48. amazing, 49. talent, 50. institute, 51. restraint, 52. irony, 53. wealth, 54. complain, 55. aspiring, 56. fulfill

57. improve social mo____ty *n.* the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another
58. ze____um mentality *adj.* referring to a situation in which an equal loss offsets each gain; describing a condition in which the total gains and losses balance to zero
59. 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
60. scientific ja____n *n.* specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify
61. sh__k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
62. handy gi__o *n.* a small gadget or mechanical device, particularly one that is difficult to name or describe
63. official sta____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 57. mobility, 58. zero-sum, 59. mystery, 60. jargon, 61. shock, 62. gizmo, 63. statistics

64. con_____nt way *adj.* useful, helpful, or quick to do
65. br__d horses *v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
66. duty of the ja_____r *n.* a person whose job is to clean and maintain a large building, such as a school or a block of flats
67. attain critical pr___e *n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something
68. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
69. a broad sp_____um of opinion *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
70. con_____nt firm *n.* a person who provides professional or expert advice
71. the cycle of po_____y *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
72. su_____ze the project *v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially
73. as_____ng prime minister *adj.* desiring or striving for recognition or advancement; wanting to be successful in life
74. lack in mo_____ty *n.* the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another
75. part-time ja_____r *n.* a person whose job is to clean and maintain a large building, such as a school or a block of flats

ANSWERS: 64. convenient, 65. breed, 66. janitor, 67. praise, 68. replace, 69. spectrum, 70. consultant, 71. poverty, 72. subsidize, 73. aspiring, 74. mobility, 75. janitor

76. co_____te with one another *v.* to work together with one or more people or organizations to achieve a goal
77. ta___m approach *n.* a device or arrangement that allows two or more things to be connected or work together in a coordinated manner; a bicycle built for two people to ride in a line, with one behind the other
78. run a gr_____y *n.* a shop that sells food and other household items
79. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
80. con_____nt location *adj.* useful, helpful, or quick to do
81. severe cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
82. sy_____hy card *n.* the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions
83. 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
84. child we_____e *n.* the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
85. ze_____um economics *adj.* referring to a situation in which an equal loss offsets each gain; describing a condition in which the total gains and losses balance to zero

ANSWERS: 76. cooperate, 77. tandem, 78. grocery, 79. government, 80. convenient, 81. critic, 82. sympathy, 83. mystery, 84. welfare, 85. zero-sum

86. a we_____e state *n.* the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
87. memorial pl__a *n.* a public square, marketplace, or similar open area in a town, especially in Spanish-speaking countries
88. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
89. fu_____l a lifetime dream *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
90. animal so_____gy *n.* the scientific study of human social behavior, including the way in which people interact with one another, the organizations and institutions they create, and the societies they form
91. l__t a ban on alcohol *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
92. int_____ion by foreign powers *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
93. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
94. a pre_____on program *n.* the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready
95. feel sy_____hy *n.* the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions

ANSWERS: 86. welfare, 87. plaza, 88. democracy, 89. fulfill, 90. sociology, 91. lift, 92. intervention, 93. define, 94. preparation, 95. sympathy

96. surgical int_____ion *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
97. copyright wa_____rk *n.* a visible or invisible design or pattern that is embedded into paper or other surfaces and is used to prevent counterfeiting or illegal copying
98. pu_____d expression *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
99. af____d to buy a new car *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
100. sol_____ty action *n.* unity or agreement of feelings or actions among a group, especially among individuals with a common interest
101. inh_____nt tax *n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
102. product int_____ory sale *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
103. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
104. universal pr____e *n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something
105. majority of his we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
106. an ab_____te must *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

ANSWERS: 96. intervention, 97. watermark, 98. puzzled, 99. afford, 100. solidarity, 101. inhabitant, 102. introductory, 103. colleague, 104. praise, 105. wealth, 106. absolute

107. ha__n for terrorists *n.* a shelter serving as a place of safety or sanctuary; a sheltered port where ships can take on or discharge cargo
108. make a pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
109. advance cap_____sm *n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
110. gr__t a land *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
111. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
112. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
113. raw ta___t *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
114. record driving aut_____lly *adv.* without needing a direct human control
115. se_____de entrepreneur *adj.* having succeeded in life unaided; having become wealthy or successful through one's efforts
116. call and co_____in frequently *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
117. ega_____an society *adj.* relating to or characterized by the belief in the equal rights, opportunities, and treatment of all people, regardless of their race, gender, or social class

ANSWERS: 107. haven, 108. profit, 109. capitalism, 110. grant, 111. distribute, 112. democracy, 113. talent, 114. automatically, 115. self-made, 116. complain, 117. egalitarian

118. guarantee re_____le delivery *adj.* worthy of being relied on; trustworthy
119. at____h firmly *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
120. pa_____se island *n.* a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth
121. a t__l road *n.* money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly
122. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
123. the gr_____y business *n.* a shop that sells food and other household items
124. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
125. Silicon Valley bil_____re *n.* a person who has a net worth of at least one billion dollars
126. gr__t a new license *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
127. mi_____l effort *adj.* tiny in amount; the least possible
128. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
129. business ja____n *n.* specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify

ANSWERS: 118. reliable, 119. attach, 120. paradise, 121. toll, 122. government, 123. grocery, 124. economy, 125. billionaire, 126. grant, 127. minimal, 128. individual, 129. jargon

130. sol_____ty among union members *n.* unity or agreement of feelings or actions among a group, especially among individuals with a common interest
131. st_____le against discrimination *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
132. cheap-labor ha__n *n.* a shelter serving as a place of safety or sanctuary; a sheltered port where ships can take on or discharge cargo
133. gross pr____t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
134. na____e to Africa *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
135. ir__y humor *n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
136. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
137. a civil en_____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
138. so_____gy professor *n.* the scientific study of human social behavior, including the way in which people interact with one another, the organizations and institutions they create, and the societies they form

ANSWERS: 130. solidarity, 131. struggle, 132. haven, 133. profit, 134. native, 135. irony, 136. colleague, 137. engineer, 138. sociology

139. so_____st regime *adj.* relating to or supporting socialism (= the idea that the wealth and resources of a society should be shared among all members rather than being concentrated in the hands of a small group of individuals or corporations)
140. dy_____cs of economy *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
141. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
142. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
143. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
144. di___e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
145. na___e language *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
146. ta___m skydiving *n.* a device or arrangement that allows two or more things to be connected or work together in a coordinated manner; a bicycle built for two people to ride in a line, with one behind the other
147. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 139. socialist, 140. dynamics, 141. amazing, 142. divide, 143. individual, 144. divide, 145. native, 146. tandem, 147. opportune

148. aut_____lly adjusted *adv.* without needing a direct human control
149. af___d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
150. the degree of pu___y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
151. physical re_____nt *n.* a measure taken to prevent someone or something from acting freely or excessively; self-control or moderation; a physical device used to restrict or limit movement
152. to___t paper *n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
153. wa_____rk logo *n.* a visible or invisible design or pattern that is embedded into paper or other surfaces and is used to prevent counterfeiting or illegal copying
154. dis_____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
155. infrared sp_____um *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
156. at___h a file to an e-mail *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
157. se_____de man *adj.* having succeeded in life unaided; having become wealthy or successful through one's efforts

ANSWERS: 148. automatically, 149. afford, 150. purity, 151. restraint, 152. toilet, 153. watermark, 154. distribute, 155. spectrum, 156. attach, 157. self-made

158. do____ze a menu
- v.* to reduce the size, scale, or scope of something, such as a company or organization; to decrease the number of employees or members
159. t__l a bell at his death
- n.* money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly
160. to____t seat
- n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
161. the pre_____on of meals
- n.* the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready
162. death from sh__k
- n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

ANSWERS: 158. downsize, 159. toll, 160. toilet, 161. preparation, 162. shock

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The workers showed _____ in their strike for better working conditions.
n. unity or agreement of feelings or actions among a group, especially among individuals with a common interest

2. The team had to _____ to complete the project on time.
v. to work together with one or more people or organizations to achieve a goal

3. The drought _____ the prices of grain globally.
v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position

4. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

5. The airport offers five _____ access routes.
adj. useful, helpful, or quick to do

6. He's a _____ millionaire who built his fortune from scratch.
adj. having succeeded in life unaided; having become wealthy or successful through one's efforts

7. The drama series mainly received _____.
n. an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something

8. The chairperson _____ him the right to speak.
v. to agree to give or allow somebody

ANSWERS: 1. solidarity, 2. cooperate, 3. lifted, 4. opportune, 5. convenient, 6. self-made, 7. praise, 8. granted

9. The self-made _____ donated millions to charity.
n. a person who has a net worth of at least one billion dollars
10. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.
v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
11. You can find all kinds of interesting _____ in this store.
n. a small gadget or mechanical device, particularly one that is difficult to name or describe
12. The company prides itself on being an _____ workplace with equal employment opportunities.
adj. relating to or characterized by the belief in the equal rights, opportunities, and treatment of all people, regardless of their race, gender, or social class
13. 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
14. He helped me with the _____ of this book.
n. the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready
15. This _____ does not require the patient's consent.
n. the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
16. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 9. billionaire, 10. define, 11. gizmos, 12. egalitarian, 13. mystery, 14. preparation, 15. intervention, 16. amazing

17. Hawaii is often referred to as an everlasting summer _____.
- n.* a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth
18. He was extremely generous to the _____ young artist.
- adj.* desiring or striving for recognition or advancement; wanting to be successful in life
19. It was the first time for her, but she _____ the role of Priest.
- v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
20. We hired a management _____ to help us improve our business strategy.
- n.* a person who provides professional or expert advice
21. The _____ class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.
- adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
22. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
23. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.
- v.* to take the place of something
24. In some sports, such as tennis, the competition is a _____ game, with only one player able to win each match.
- adj.* referring to a situation in which an equal loss offsets each gain; describing a condition in which the total gains and losses balance to zero

ANSWERS: 17. paradise, 18. aspiring, 19. fulfilled, 20. consultant, 21. introductory, 22. statistics, 23. replace, 24. zero-sum

25. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.
- n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
26. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
- n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
27. Many studies have investigated the relationship between _____ and academic achievement.
- n.* the condition of being extremely poor
28. He used an old ____ to clean the grease off the car's engine.
- n.* a piece of cloth, especially an old one, torn or cut into strips and used for cleaning
29. Governments _____ renewable energy generation in various ways.
- v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially
30. The _____ of the situation is that he won the lottery on the day he lost his job.
- n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
31. I have limited _____ in my arms.
- n.* the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another

ANSWERS: 25. Democracy, 26. economy, 27. poverty, 28. rag, 29. subsidize, 30. irony, 31. mobility

32. This device displayed the speech _____ spectrographically.
n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
33. Gandhi had an _____ zeal for nonviolence.
adj. perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
34. This business yields little _____.
n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
35. 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
36. He got an electric _____ at work.
n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
37. Our users are often _____ about the slow application.
v. to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
38. Trains are _____ inexpensive, and ideal for long-distance travel.
adj. worthy of being relied on; trustworthy
39. The vegetation here is almost wholly _____.
adj. connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
40. _____ 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

ANSWERS: 32. spectrum, 33. absolute, 34. profit, 35. government, 36. shock, 37. complaining, 38. reliable, 39. native, 40. Capitalism

41. Three young men were busking in the shopping _____.
- n.* a public square, marketplace, or similar open area in a town, especially in Spanish-speaking countries
42. There is no _____ car park nearby.
- n.* money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly
43. The process was carried out at _____ cost.
- adj.* tiny in amount; the least possible
44. It's important to practice _____ when it comes to spending money.
- n.* a measure taken to prevent someone or something from acting freely or excessively; self-control or moderation; a physical device used to restrict or limit movement
45. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.
- n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
46. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.
- n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
47. Her excessive demands drove me _____.
- adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
48. The _____ on the document ensured that it could not be forged or duplicated without permission.
- n.* a visible or invisible design or pattern that is embedded into paper or other surfaces and is used to prevent counterfeiting or illegal copying

ANSWERS: 41. plaza, 42. toll, 43. minimal, 44. restraint, 45. critics, 46. colleague, 47. insane, 48. watermark

49. The school _____ was laid off.

- n.* a person whose job is to clean and maintain a large building, such as a school or a block of flats

50. Numerous great professional sports _____ have come from this city.

- n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

51. I expressed my _____ to my friend after her cat passed away.

- n.* the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions

52. Our subscription plan is _____ renewed.

- adv.* without needing a direct human control

53. She walked to the _____ to freshen up before the meeting.

- n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture

54. The _____ bike ride was fun for the couple to enjoy together.

- n.* a device or arrangement that allows two or more things to be connected or work together in a coordinated manner; a bicycle built for two people to ride in a line, with one behind the other

55. Higher _____ requires additional equipment and energy.

- n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature

56. His _____ on the effects of climate change won several awards.

- n.* a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject

ANSWERS: 49. janitor, 50. talents, 51. sympathy, 52. automatically, 53. toilet, 54. tandem, 55. purity, 56. thesis

57. We are tackling the development for updates with _____.
- n.* a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it
58. I will go to the _____ store to buy food for dinner.
- n.* a shop that sells food and other household items
59. His estate was _____ to his sons.
- v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
60. 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
61. What are your annual _____ expectations?
- n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
62. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.
- n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
63. This animal _____ in northern latitudes.
- v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
64. She was _____ by the strange behavior of her cat.
- adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something

ANSWERS: 57. enthusiasm, 58. grocery, 59. distributed, 60. struggle, 61. salary, 62. wealth, 63. breeds, 64. puzzled

65. His family is the oldest _____ of the island.
- n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
66. He cannot _____ a holiday.
- v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
67. The financial industry is notorious for using complicated _____ that confuses consumers.
- n.* specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify
68. She studied _____ in college, learning about different societies and how they function.
- n.* the scientific study of human social behavior, including the way in which people interact with one another, the organizations and institutions they create, and the societies they form
69. The company had to _____ due to financial difficulties and let go of many employees.
- v.* to reduce the size, scale, or scope of something, such as a company or organization; to decrease the number of employees or members
70. I like to relax in a _____ on warm summer days.
- n.* a type of lightweight bed or sling made of canvas, rope, or netting, often suspended between two supports such as trees or poles; a type of vegetation-rich ecosystem found in lowland areas
71. This region has many _____ offering higher education.
- n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

ANSWERS: 65. inhabitant, 66. afford, 67. jargon, 68. sociology, 69. downsize, 70. hammock, 71. institutes

72. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?

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

73. She struggled for years to survive without _____.

n. the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group

74. He does not _____ importance to these rumors.

v. to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another

75. His _____ continued to rise as his skills improved.

n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

76. That country is a tax _____ where many wealthy people have paper corporations.

n. a shelter serving as a place of safety or sanctuary; a sheltered port where ships can take on or discharge cargo

77. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

78. He is a progressive _____ and believes in the equal distribution of wealth.

adj. relating to or supporting socialism (= the idea that the wealth and resources of a society should be shared among all members rather than being concentrated in the hands of a small group of individuals or corporations)

79. GDP per _____ shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.

n. a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone

ANSWERS: 72. divide, 73. welfare, 74. attach, 75. wages, 76. haven, 77. individual, 78. socialist, 79. capita

80. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

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

81. The relationship _____ between the two countries were complex and constantly changing.

n. the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change

ANSWERS: 80. engineer, 81. dynamics