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Session 1: Word List

transmit

v. to send or forward an electronic signal; to pass something from one person or thing to another

synonym: convey, share, dispatch

(1) **transmit** the disease, (2) **transmit** information

Parents often **transmit** their characteristics to their children.

byte

n. a unit of digital information that consists of 8 bits, typically used to represent a single character of text or a small amount of computer code

(1) **byte** code, (2) **byte** array

The computer hard drive had plenty of storage space but was running low on available **bytes**.

definition

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

synonym: description, connotation, meaning

(1) a precise **definition**, (2) the **definition** of a word

Parallel lines are, by **definition**, lines on the same plane that never cross.

cable

n. a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

synonym : wire, cord, rope

(1) **cable** television, (2) coaxial **cable**

This system uses submarine **cables** to exchange information between continents.

souped-up

adj. made more powerful or improved in some way beyond the standard or original design; exaggerated or overdone

synonym : pimped-out, upgraded, tricked-out

(1) **souped-up** engine, (2) **souped-up** graphics card

He was pulled over for driving a **souped-up** car with an illegal exhaust system.

fiber

n. thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile

synonym : yarn, thread, wool

(1) carbon **fiber**, (2) synthetic **fiber**

We must consume dietary **fiber** to maintain good health.

optics

n. the academic study of vision and light

(1) **optics** technology, (2) fiber **optics**

Einstein's new **optics** theory transformed traditional scientific notions about light.

planet

n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

synonym : earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

communicate

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym : convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,

(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

electrical

adj. relating to electricity

(1) an **electrical** storm, (2) degree in **electrical** engineering

Actuators convert **electrical** pulses into motion.

inefficient

adj. lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.

synonym: ineffective, counterproductive, inadequate

(1) **inefficient** use, (2) **inefficient** management

The system is still so **inefficient** that it is useless.

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.

superior

adj. better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others

synonym: better, greater, exceptional

(1) **superior** performance, (2) provide **superior** customer service

The new smartphone model is **superior** to the previous version in terms of speed and features.

transmission

n. the act or process of sending something from one person or place to another; the process of broadcasting over the airwaves, as in radio or television

synonym: transportation, communication, broadcast

(1) **transmission** speed, (2) the **transmission** gears of a car

Education is the **transmission** of civilization.

melt

v. to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating

synonym: disintegrate, soften, disappear

(1) **melt** the ice, (2) **melt** down gold
Her resistance **melted** under his persuasion.

flexible

adj. able to change or be changed to suit new conditions or situations; able to bend easily

synonym : adaptable, elastic, pliable

(1) **flexible** schedules, (2) a **flexible** wire

You can be more **flexible** and creative in your approach.

strand

n. a very thin natural or synthetic thread, wire, hair, etc.;
(verb) to leave or drive a vessel, fish, etc., aground or ashore

synonym : fiber, filament, string

(1) a **strand** of fine hair, (2) double- **strand** DNA

I heard several melodic **strands** simultaneously.

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity;
to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

synonym : wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

pulse

n. the regular heartbeat as it sends blood around the body, especially when it is felt at the wrist or side of the neck;
a solid regular vibration of sound, electric current, light, or other waves

synonym : beat, vibration, throb

(1) a weak **pulse**, (2) **pulse** waves

The cardiac monitor displays the intensity of your **pulse**.

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

synonym : depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that

represent numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

digital

adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

synonym : numerical, computerized, cyber

(1) a **digital** watch, (2) **digital** electronic signature

Sensors convert physical phenomena into **digital** signals.

phenomenon

n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

synonym : marvel, wonder, splendor

(1) natural **phenomenon**, (2) historical **phenomenon**

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

internal

adj. of or relating to the inside of something

synonym : interior, inner, domestic

(1) **internal** organs, (2) the **internal** economy

The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve **internal** disputes.

Newtonian

adj. relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation

synonym : classical, physics, mechanics

(1) **Newtonian** physics, (2) **Newtonian** mechanics

The motion of planets can be described using **Newtonian** mechanics.

lens

n. a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

synonym : glass

(1) a convex **lens**, (2) a **lens** with a wide angle
The photographer took this photo using a telephoto **lens**.

ray *n.* a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy
synonym: beam, light, glimmer

(1) opaque to X- **rays**, (2) effect of cosmic **rays**
Gamma **rays** penetrate body tissues and cause cell damage.

steep *adj.* having a sharp inclination or slope
synonym: sheer, precipitous, abrupt

(1) a **steep** staircase, (2) **steep** discount
The **steep** cliff made it difficult to climb.

refract *v.* to bend or alter the direction of light, sound, or particles as they pass through different substances or mediums; to cause something to appear distorted or altered
synonym: bend, deflect, distort

(1) **refract** light, (2) **refract** sound
The morning sun **refracted** off the dew on the grass, creating a beautiful rainbow.

shallow *adj.* not having much distance from the top to the bottom
synonym: superficial, external, surface

(1) **shallow** people, (2) **shallow** water
Shallow brooks are noisier than deep rivers.

trap *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
synonym: catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal
The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

bounce *v.* to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back
synonym: bound, leap, spring

(1) **bounce** across the floor, (2) **bounce** back from failure
They will **bounce** between various emotional states.

normally

adv. usually; under normal conditions

synonym: commonly, generally, naturally

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

transparent

adj. easy to perceive, detect, or understand; (of a material or article) permitting light to pass through freely

synonym: translucent, evident, diaphanous

(1) a **transparent** lie, (2) **transparent** crystal
The focus of these initiatives is to make the financial system more **transparent**.

optic

adj. relating to vision or the eyes; relating to or involving light or optics

synonym: visual, ocular, visualized

(1) **optic** fiber, (2) **optic** illusion
The campaign ad was designed with bright colors and bold fonts for maximum **optic** impact.

degrade

v. to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others

synonym: demean, disgrace, impair

(1) **degrade** his public image, (2) **degrade** environmental quality

You should not **degrade** yourself by allowing them to use you.

distance

n. the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

synonym: space, gap, span

(1) driving **distance**, (2) social **distance**

The marathon runner covered a long **distance** in a short amount of time.

scatter

v. to cause to separate and go in different directions

synonym: disperse, spread, bestrew

(1) **scatter** seeds, (2) **scatter** around the internet

The hunter's approach **scattered** the geese.

sharply

adv. suddenly and to a great degree; in an aggressive manner

synonym: dashingly, smartly, snappily

(1) **sharply** questioned, (2) drop **sharply**

The value of our house rose **sharply** last year.

leak

v. to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container

synonym: outflow, divulge, disclose

(1) **leak** data, (2) **leak** a classified memo

He **leaked** serious accounting irregularities that only people in the company's executive could know.

optical

adj. of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light

synonym: visual, ocular

(1) new **optical** glasses, (2) **optical** fiber

The **optical** illusion made it appear like the building was floating in midair.

wavelength

n. the distance between two points in the same phase in consecutive cycles of a wave

(1) **wavelength** of light, (2) long- **wavelength** laser

White color is made up of many different **wavelengths** of light.

crisscross

v. to move or make lines that intersect or cross each other in a pattern resembling a series of X's

(1) **crisscross** over the edges of the walls, (2) **crisscross** my heart

The roads **crisscrossed** through the countryside, creating a beautiful scenic drive.

continent

n. one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

synonym: landmass, (adjective) chaste, (adjective) pure

(1) the inland of a **continent**, (2) **continent** urinary diversion

Flight across the **continent** was a daring adventure in its day.

equator

n. an line of latitude that separates Earth's northern and southern hemispheres and has a radius of around 40,075 kilometers (24,901 miles)

(1) south of the **equator**, (2) above the **equator**

Ecuador is on the **equator**.

evolve

v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

synonym: develop, mature, grow

(1) **evolve**, (2) **evolve** over the past decade

Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym: more and more, progressively

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

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

rely

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

synonym: depend, count, lean

(1) **rely** on convenience stores, (2) **rely** entirely on him
Babies heavily **rely** on others for food.

overwork

v. to work excessively hard or too much; the condition of working excessively or beyond one's capacity, leading to fatigue, stress, and illness

synonym: overdo, overtax, exhaust

(1) die from **overwork**, (2) **overwork** to compensate

He **overworked** himself and ended up getting sick.

server

n. a computer program or a device from which other computers get information; a person who serves food in a restaurant

synonym: computer, waiter, waitperson

(1) a mail **server**, (2) work as a **server** in a restaurant

After the airing of the TV commercial, many people accessed the website, and the **server** went down.

warehouse

n. a large building for storing goods and merchandise, especially before they are sold, used, or sent out to shops

synonym: storage, repository, depot

(1) a rental **warehouse**, (2) **warehouse** debt

The fire ruined all the food stored in the **warehouse**.

gigantic

adj. extremely large

synonym: huge, enormous, immense

(1) **gigantic** proportions, (2) **gigantic** monsters

He was so hungry from the long journey that he had a **gigantic** appetite.

fling

v. to throw or push something or someone with force or recklessness, especially because you are angry

synonym: throw, dump, hurl

(1) **fling** a stream of abuse, (2) **fling** a door open forcefully

He was provoked to **fling** the draft on the floor.

compute

v. to make a mathematical calculation

synonym : calculate

(1) **compute** an average score, (2) **compute** the value
I tried to **compute** the efficiency of the investment.

bandwidth

n. the amount of data that can be transmitted or processed at one time often used to describe the capacity of electronic communication or computing systems

synonym : capacity, data transfer rate, network speed

(1) **bandwidth** allocation, (2) increase **bandwidth**

I don't have the **bandwidth** to take on any new projects, as I'm already working on multiple assignments.

vast

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

synonym : expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

traffic

n. the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

synonym : congestion, jam, flow

(1) **traffic** jam, (2) heavy **traffic**

We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction **traffic** on the main road.

shuttle

n. a vehicle or boat that regularly moves between two places; bobbin that passes the weft thread between the warp threads

synonym : ferry, transport, convey

(1) space **shuttle**, (2) **shuttle** service

The **shuttle** bus will take you to the airport in 15 minutes.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym : custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

wireless

adj. of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals

synonym : cordless, radio

(1) **wireless** access, (2) **wireless** charging

The office's **wireless** network allows employees to work from anywhere in the building.

steady

adj. firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving

synonym : stable, solid, secure

(1) **steady** increase, (2) take a **steady** job

The patient's vital signs are **steady**, indicating a stable condition.

march

v. to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

synonym : parade

(1) **march** against the war, (2) **march** east

The troops **marched** shoulder-to-shoulder.

hertz

n. the unit of frequency, equal to one cycle per second, often used to describe the frequency of electromagnetic waves or electronic signals

synonym : frequency, cycles per second

(1) audio **hertz**, (2) tera- **hertz** radiation

The human ear can detect sounds with frequencies ranging from 20 to 20,000 **hertz**.

device

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

synonym : gadget, instrument, tool

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

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

delivery

n. the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth

synonym: sending, transporting, bringing

(1) an easy **delivery**, (2) special **delivery**

The **delivery** truck arrived with the packages.

fuel

n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy

synonym: energy, power, gas

(1) biomass **fuel**, (2) smokeless **fuel**

The **fuel** scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

overly

adv. to a greater degree than is appropriate or desirable

synonym: excessively, too much

(1) **overly** excessive, (2) **overly** unnecessary

The movie was **overly** dramatic, with exaggerated emotions and cliched plot twists.

ambitious

adj. having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth

synonym: enterprising, challenging, earnest

(1) achieve **ambitious** goals, (2) with an **ambitious** eye

Their company has been in business for a short time but has **ambitious** goals.

relate

v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

synonym: connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message

He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they

couldn't understand.

integrate

v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

synonym : mix, merge, combine

(1) **integrate** into the existing system, (2) **integrate** both businesses

He found that it is difficult to **integrate** socially.

photon

n. a unit or quantum of electromagnetic energy, typically regarded as a particle that is the basic constituent of all light and other forms of electromagnetic radiation

synonym : particle, quantum, light

(1) **photon** emission, (2) **photon** energy

Infrared cameras detect **photons** in the infrared range of the electromagnetic spectrum.

rescue

v. to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

synonym : save, extricate, retrieve

(1) **rescue** a dying dog, (2) **rescue** a company from bankruptcy

The fire department arrived just in time to **rescue** the family from the burning building.

silicon

n. a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

(1) **silicon** wafer, (2) crystalline **silicon**

Silicon is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.

shrink

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

synonym : decrease, diminish, shy away

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

chip

n. a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat
synonym: flake, fragment, chunk

(1) a **chip** of wood, (2) I don't care a **chip**
We can use this campaign as a bargaining **chip** in the negotiations.

convert

v. to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
synonym: alter, remake, transform

(1) **convert** fat into energy, (2) **convert** base 10 to base 16
I want to **convert** my sadness into strength.

wasteful

adj. characterized by excessive or unnecessary use or consumption; using resources or materials inefficiently or inappropriately, resulting in unnecessary waste or expense
synonym: uneconomical, extravagant, profligate

(1) **wasteful** practices, (2) **wasteful** habits
Buying new clothes every week is a **wasteful** use of money and resources.

swap

v. to give something and receive something in trade
synonym: exchange, switch, trade

(1) **swap** seats, (2) **swap** columns with rows
Don't **swap** horses while crossing a stream.

efficient

adj. performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
synonym: productive, effective, competent

(1) **efficient** operation, (2) energy- **efficient** appliances
The new washing machine is much more **efficient** than the

old one.

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.

frequency

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

synonym: recurrence, repetition, regularity

(1) **frequency** band, (2) high **frequency**

The oscillator hunts for the correct **frequency**.

short-range

adj. limited in extent, scope, or distance; designed or intended to operate or be effective only over a short distance or period of time

synonym: close-range, limited-range, near-range

(1) **short-range** plan, (2) **short-range** communication

The missile system was designed for **short-range** attacks on enemy territory.

absorb

v. to take in a fluid or other substance gradually

synonym: consume, soak, ingest

(1) **absorb** energy, (2) **absorb** a shock

The sponge **absorbs** water well.

moisture

n. small amounts of liquid, especially water, that are present in or absorbed by a substance

synonym: dampness, humidity, wetness

(1) **moisture** level, (2) lot of **moisture**

My hair looks greasy because there is too much **moisture** in the air.

transmitter

n. a piece of equipment used for generating and sending electronic signals, especially radio or television signals

synonym: sender

(1) a **transmitter** of a family line, (2) radio **transmitter**
This substance acts as a neural **transmitter** substance.

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.

relay

v. to receive and pass something, such as information or a message, from one person or group to another; to broadcast something on television, radio, etc.

synonym : pass on, transmit, broadcast

(1) **relay** a scene, (2) **relay** a request
Please **relay** the news to the world.

long-range

adj. relating to or extending over a long distance, period of time, or range of possibilities

synonym : far-reaching, extended, distant

(1) **long-range** radar, (2) **long-range** weather forecast
The military uses **long-range** missiles to hit targets from far away.

stable

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

synonym : sturdy, unmoving, durable

(1) in **stable** condition, (2) have a **stable** job
Relations between the two countries have been relatively **stable** due to the summit meeting.

middleman

n. a person who acts as an intermediary between two or more parties, often facilitating the exchange of goods or services and taking a commission or fee for their services

synonym : intermediary, agent, broker

(1) trusted **middleman**, (2) business **middleman**
The **middleman** in the real estate deal ensured a smooth

and fair transaction.

sight

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

synonym: vision, spectacle, view

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

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

companion

n. a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel

synonym: affiliate, fellow, mate

(1) a working **companion**, (2) drinking **companions**

Her dog is her excellent **companion**.

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.

saddle

n. a seat for a rider on the back of a horse or other animal;
(verb) to burden someone with responsibility or task

synonym: seat, perch, mount

(1) bestride a **saddle**, (2) **saddle** his company with so much debt

He put the **saddle** on the horse before going for a ride.

redirect

v. to change the direction or course of something; to send in a different direction

synonym: turn, divert, steer

(1) **redirect** traffic, (2) **redirect** attention

The government decided to **redirect** funding towards education and healthcare.

superhighway

n. a large, wide road designed for high-speed traffic

synonym: expressway, motorway, artery

(1) six-lane **superhighway**, (2) a tollgate of a **superhighway**

The University provides a wireless Internet **superhighway** to its students.

expansive

adj. large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk

synonym : large, extensive, vast

(1) with an **expansive** spirit, (2) **expansive** ocean views

The company has an **expansive** network of offices and locations around the world.

virtual

adj. being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

synonym : practical

(1) a **virtual** image, (2) trading of **virtual** currencies

She is the **virtual** president of the company.

Session 2: Spelling

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25. op__c illusion *adj.* relating to vision or the eyes; relating to or involving light or optics
26. st___y increase *adj.* firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving
27. crystalline si_____n *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
28. co_____nt urinary diversion *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
29. a rental wa_____se *n.* a large building for storing goods and merchandise, especially before they are sold, used, or sent out to shops
30. ab___b a shock *v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
31. ca__e television *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
32. heavy tr_____c *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

ANSWERS: 23. integrate, 24. ray, 25. optic, 26. steady, 27. silicon, 28. continent, 29. warehouse, 30. absorb, 31. cable, 32. traffic

33. sho_____ge plan *adj.* limited in extent, scope, or distance; designed or intended to operate or be effective only over a short distance or period of time
34. carbon fi__r *n.* thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile
35. re___e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
36. the def_____on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
37. provide su_____or customer service *adj.* better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others
38. m__t the ice *v.* to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating
39. space sh_____e *n.* a vehicle or boat that regularly moves between two places; bobbin that passes the weft thread between the warp threads
40. a precise def_____on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
41. in_____te into the existing system *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

ANSWERS: 33. short-range, 34. fiber, 35. relate, 36. definition, 37. superior, 38. melt, 39. shuttle, 40. definition, 41. integrate

42. op____l fiber *adj.* of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light
43. natural phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
44. de_____e environmental quality *v.* to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
45. op__c fiber *adj.* relating to vision or the eyes; relating to or involving light or optics
46. sh___k with fear *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
47. ex_____ve ocean views *adj.* large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk
48. di_____l electronic signature *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
49. set a t__p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
50. si_____n wafer *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

ANSWERS: 42. optical, 43. phenomenon, 44. degrade, 45. optic, 46. shrink, 47. expansive, 48. digital, 49. trap, 50. silicon

51. ev___e *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
52. m__t down gold *v.* to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating
53. double-st___d DNA *n.* a very thin natural or synthetic thread, wire, hair, etc.; (verb) to leave or drive a vessel, fish, etc., aground or ashore
54. in____al organs *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
55. die from ov____rk *v.* to work excessively hard or too much; the condition of working excessively or beyond one's capacity, leading to fatigue, stress, and illness
56. special de____ry *n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth
57. driving di____ce *n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
58. bo___e back from failure *v.* to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back
59. wav_____th of light *n.* the distance between two points in the same phase in consecutive cycles of a wave
60. a st___d of fine hair *n.* a very thin natural or synthetic thread, wire, hair, etc.; (verb) to leave or drive a vessel, fish, etc., aground or ashore

ANSWERS: 51. evolve, 52. melt, 53. strand, 54. internal, 55. overwork, 56. delivery, 57. distance, 58. bounce, 59. wavelength, 60. strand

61. a civil en_____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
62. ma__h east *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
63. ma__h against the war *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
64. a working co_____on *n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel
65. re___e a dying dog *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
66. a tra_____er of a family line *n.* a piece of equipment used for generating and sending electronic signals, especially radio or television signals
67. ph___n emission *n.* a unit or quantum of electromagnetic energy, typically regarded as a particle that is the basic constituent of all light and other forms of electromagnetic radiation
68. audio he__z *n.* the unit of frequency, equal to one cycle per second, often used to describe the frequency of electromagnetic waves or electronic signals
69. ef_____nt operation *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
70. co_____e the value *v.* to make a mathematical calculation

ANSWERS: 61. engineer, 62. march, 63. march, 64. companion, 65. rescue, 66. transmitter, 67. photon, 68. hertz, 69. efficient, 70. compute

71. with an am_____us eye *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
72. not no_____ly drink much *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
73. sh_____e service *n.* a vehicle or boat that regularly moves between two places; bobbin that passes the weft thread between the warp threads
74. opaque to X-r_____ys *n.* a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy
75. t____p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
76. an easy de_____ry *n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth
77. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
78. re____y a scene *v.* to receive and pass something, such as information or a message, from one person or group to another; to broadcast something on television, radio, etc.
79. st____p discount *adj.* having a sharp inclination or slope
80. energy-ef_____nt appliances *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials

ANSWERS: 71. ambitious, 72. normally, 73. shuttle, 74. ray, 75. trap, 76. delivery, 77. replace, 78. relay, 79. steep, 80. efficient

81. achieve am_____us goals *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
82. r__y on convenience stores *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
83. su_____or performance *adj.* better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others
84. a st__p staircase *adj.* having a sharp inclination or slope
85. fl__g a door open forcefully *v.* to throw or push something or someone with force or recklessness, especially because you are angry
86. take a st___y job *adj.* firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving
87. the in_____al economy *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
88. the tra_____ion gears of a car *n.* the act or process of sending something from one person or place to another; the process of broadcasting over the airwaves, as in radio or television
89. cri_____ss my heart *v.* to move or make lines that intersect or cross each other in a pattern resembling a series of X's
90. smokeless f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
91. pu__e waves *n.* the regular heartbeat as it sends blood around the body, especially when it is felt at the wrist or side of the neck; a solid regular vibration of sound, electric current, light, or other waves

ANSWERS: 81. ambitious, 82. rely, 83. superior, 84. steep, 85. fling, 86. steady, 87. internal, 88. transmission, 89. crisscross, 90. fuel, 91. pulse

92. wi_____ss access
adj. of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals
93. re_____ct attention
v. to change the direction or course of something; to send in a different direction
94. wa_____se debt
n. a large building for storing goods and merchandise, especially before they are sold, used, or sent out to shops
95. increase ba_____th
n. the amount of data that can be transmitted or processed at one time often used to describe the capacity of electronic communication or computing systems
96. a c__p of wood
n. a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat
97. fr_____cy band
n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
98. tra_____nt crystal
adj. easy to perceive, detect, or understand; (of a material or article) permitting light to pass through freely
99. six-lane sup_____way
n. a large, wide road designed for high-speed traffic
100. bestride a sa____e
n. a seat for a rider on the back of a horse or other animal; (verb) to burden someone with responsibility or task

ANSWERS: 92. wireless, 93. redirect, 94. warehouse, 95. bandwidth, 96. chip, 97. frequency, 98. transparent, 99. superhighway, 100. saddle

101. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
102. el_____fy the audience *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
103. fl_____le schedules *adj.* able to change or be changed to suit new conditions or situations; able to bend easily
104. biomass f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
105. trusted mi_____an *n.* a person who acts as an intermediary between two or more parties, often facilitating the exchange of goods or services and taking a commission or fee for their services
106. face inc_____gly complicated challenges *adv.* more and more
107. dis_____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
108. degree in ele_____al engineering *adj.* relating to electricity
109. ine_____nt use *adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
110. lot of mo_____re *n.* small amounts of liquid, especially water, that are present in or absorbed by a substance

ANSWERS: 101. communicate, 102. electrify, 103. flexible, 104. fuel, 105. middleman, 106. increasingly, 107. distribute, 108. electrical, 109. inefficient, 110. moisture

111. Ne_____an physics *adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
112. inc_____gly become common *adv.* more and more
113. wi_____ss charging *adj.* of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals
114. re_____t light *v.* to bend or alter the direction of light, sound, or particles as they pass through different substances or mediums; to cause something to appear distorted or altered
115. ev___e over the past decade *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
116. sh_____w water *adj.* not having much distance from the top to the bottom
117. op___s technology *n.* the academic study of vision and light
118. ov_____rk to compensate *v.* to work excessively hard or too much; the condition of working excessively or beyond one's capacity, leading to fatigue, stress, and illness
119. ph___n energy *n.* a unit or quantum of electromagnetic energy, typically regarded as a particle that is the basic constituent of all light and other forms of electromagnetic radiation
120. so_____up engine *adj.* made more powerful or improved in some way beyond the standard or original design; exaggerated or overdone

ANSWERS: 111. Newtonian, 112. increasingly, 113. wireless, 114. refract, 115. evolve, 116. shallow, 117. optics, 118. overwork, 119. photon, 120. souped-up

121. a vi____l image *adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
122. co____t base 10 to base 16 *v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
123. synthetic fi__r *n.* thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile
124. a tollgate of a sup____way *n.* a large, wide road designed for high-speed traffic
125. dis____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
126. against tr____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
127. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
128. tr____c jam *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
129. gi____ic monsters *adj.* extremely large
130. l__k data *v.* to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container
131. have a st____e job *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

ANSWERS: 121. virtual, 122. convert, 123. fiber, 124. superhighway, 125. distribute, 126. tradition, 127. vast, 128. traffic, 129. gigantic, 130. leak, 131. stable

132. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
133. a l__s with a wide angle *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
134. lon_____ge weather forecast *adj.* relating to or extending over a long distance, period of time, or range of possibilities
135. the inland of a co_____nt *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
136. sh_____w people *adj.* not having much distance from the top to the bottom
137. so_____up graphics card *adj.* made more powerful or improved in some way beyond the standard or original design; exaggerated or overdone
138. work as a se___r in a restaurant *n.* a computer program or a device from which other computers get information; a person who serves food in a restaurant
139. drinking co_____ons *n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel

ANSWERS: 132. tradition, 133. lens, 134. long-range, 135. continent, 136. shallow, 137. souped-up, 138. server, 139. companion

140. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
141. high fr_____cy *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
142. re_____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
143. above the eq_____r *n.* an line of latitude that separates Earth's northern and southern hemispheres and has a radius of around 40,075 kilometers (24,901 miles)
144. ba_____th allocation *n.* the amount of data that can be transmitted or processed at one time often used to describe the capacity of electronic communication or computing systems
145. dull si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
146. tera-he__z radiation *n.* the unit of frequency, equal to one cycle per second, often used to describe the frequency of electromagnetic waves or electronic signals
147. tr_____it information *v.* to send or forward an electronic signal; to pass something from one person or thing to another
148. tr_____it the disease *v.* to send or forward an electronic signal; to pass something from one person or thing to another

ANSWERS: 140. electrify, 141. frequency, 142. represent, 143. equator, 144. bandwidth, 145. sight, 146. hertz, 147. transmit, 148. transmit

149. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist
v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
150. ab___b energy
v. to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
151. ov___y excessive
adv. to a greater degree than is appropriate or desirable
152. r___y entirely on him
v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
153. wa_____ul practices
adj. characterized by excessive or unnecessary use or consumption; using resources or materials inefficiently or inappropriately, resulting in unnecessary waste or expense
154. a tra_____nt lie
adj. easy to perceive, detect, or understand; (of a material or article) permitting light to pass through freely
155. gi_____ic proportions
adj. extremely large
156. sc_____r around the internet
v. to cause to separate and go in different directions
157. a di_____l watch
adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
158. re_____e one word with another
v. to take the place of something

ANSWERS: 149. communicate, 150. absorb, 151. overly, 152. rely, 153. wasteful, 154. transparent, 155. gigantic, 156. scatter, 157. digital, 158. replace

168. radio tra_____er *n.* a piece of equipment used for generating and sending electronic signals, especially radio or television signals
169. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
170. sho_____ge communication *adj.* limited in extent, scope, or distance; designed or intended to operate or be effective only over a short distance or period of time
171. se___e down in the town *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
172. re_____ct traffic *v.* to change the direction or course of something; to send in a different direction
173. de_____e his public image *v.* to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
174. drop sh_____y *adv.* suddenly and to a great degree; in an aggressive manner
175. fl__g a stream of abuse *v.* to throw or push something or someone with force or recklessness, especially because you are angry
176. s__p seats *v.* to give something and receive something in trade
177. s__p columns with rows *v.* to give something and receive something in trade
178. electronic de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

ANSWERS: 168. transmitter, 169. vast, 170. short-range, 171. settle, 172. redirect, 173. degrade, 174. sharply, 175. fling, 176. swap, 177. swap, 178. device

179. sh___k the tumor *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
180. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
181. with an ex_____ve spirit *adj.* large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk
182. new op_____l glasses *adj.* of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light
183. co_____t fat into energy *v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
184. trading of vi_____l currencies *adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
185. Ne_____an mechanics *adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
186. re_____t sound *v.* to bend or alter the direction of light, sound, or particles as they pass through different substances or mediums; to cause something to appear distorted or altered
187. business mi_____an *n.* a person who acts as an intermediary between two or more parties, often facilitating the exchange of goods or services and taking a commission or fee for their services

ANSWERS: 179. shrink, 180. engineer, 181. expansive, 182. optical, 183. convert, 184. virtual, 185. Newtonian, 186. refract, 187. middleman

188. re__y a request *v.* to receive and pass something, such as information or a message, from one person or group to another; to broadcast something on television, radio, etc.
189. tracking de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
190. a fl_____le wire *adj.* able to change or be changed to suit new conditions or situations; able to bend easily
191. a convex l__s *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
192. b__e code *n.* a unit of digital information that consists of 8 bits, typically used to represent a single character of text or a small amount of computer code
193. a mail se___r *n.* a computer program or a device from which other computers get information; a person who serves food in a restaurant
194. save the pl___t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

ANSWERS: 188. relay, 189. device, 190. flexible, 191. lens, 192. byte, 193. server, 194. planet

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. This substance acts as a neural _____ substance.
n. a piece of equipment used for generating and sending electronic signals, especially radio or television signals
2. The _____ cliff made it difficult to climb.
adj. having a sharp inclination or slope
3. The enemy fell right into the _____.
n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
4. Infrared cameras detect _____ in the infrared range of the electromagnetic spectrum.
n. a unit or quantum of electromagnetic energy, typically regarded as a particle that is the basic constituent of all light and other forms of electromagnetic radiation
5. The hunter's approach _____ the geese.
v. to cause to separate and go in different directions
6. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
7. Actuators convert _____ pulses into motion.
adj. relating to electricity

ANSWERS: 1. transmitter, 2. steep, 3. trap, 4. photons, 5. scattered, 6. tradition, 7. electrical

8. He put the _____ on the horse before going for a ride.
n. a seat for a rider on the back of a horse or other animal; (verb) to burden someone with responsibility or task
9. The focus of these initiatives is to make the financial system more _____.
adj. easy to perceive, detect, or understand; (of a material or article) permitting light to pass through freely
10. A rainbow is a natural _____.
n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
11. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.
v. to take the place of something
12. The troops _____ shoulder-to-shoulder.
v. to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
13. He was so hungry from the long journey that he had a _____ appetite.
adj. extremely large
14. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.
v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
15. My hair looks greasy because there is too much _____ in the air.
n. small amounts of liquid, especially water, that are present in or absorbed by a substance

ANSWERS: 8. saddle, 9. transparent, 10. phenomenon, 11. replace, 12. marched, 13. gigantic, 14. represent, 15. moisture

16. Buying new clothes every week is a _____ use of money and resources.
adj. characterized by excessive or unnecessary use or consumption; using resources or materials inefficiently or inappropriately, resulting in unnecessary waste or expense
17. You should not _____ yourself by allowing them to use you.
v. to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
18. Education is the _____ of civilization.
n. the act or process of sending something from one person or place to another; the process of broadcasting over the airwaves, as in radio or television
19. You can be more _____ and creative in your approach.
adj. able to change or be changed to suit new conditions or situations; able to bend easily
20. We must consume dietary _____ to maintain good health.
n. thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile
21. The patient's vital signs are _____ indicating a stable condition.
adj. firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving
22. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.
n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
23. Babies heavily _____ on others for food.
v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

ANSWERS: 16. wasteful, 17. degrade, 18. transmission, 19. flexible, 20. fiber, 21. steady, 22. definition, 23. rely

24. The marathon runner covered a long _____ in a short amount of time.
- n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
25. I heard several melodic _____ simultaneously.
- n.* a very thin natural or synthetic thread, wire, hair, etc.; (verb) to leave or drive a vessel, fish, etc., aground or ashore
26. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.
- v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
27. The new washing machine is much more _____ than the old one.
- adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
28. The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve _____ disputes.
- adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
29. Parents often _____ their characteristics to their children.
- v.* to send or forward an electronic signal; to pass something from one person or thing to another
30. He was pulled over for driving a _____ car with an illegal exhaust system.
- adj.* made more powerful or improved in some way beyond the standard or original design; exaggerated or overdone

ANSWERS: 24. distance, 25. strands, 26. electrify, 27. efficient, 28. internal, 29. transmit, 30. souped-up

31. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

- v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

32. White color is made up of many different _____ of light.

- n.* the distance between two points in the same phase in consecutive cycles of a wave

33. The _____ truck arrived with the packages.

- n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth

34. His estate was _____ to his sons.

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

35. The movie was _____ dramatic, with exaggerated emotions and cliched plot twists.

- adv.* to a greater degree than is appropriate or desirable

36. The military uses _____ missiles to hit targets from far away.

- adj.* relating to or extending over a long distance, period of time, or range of possibilities

37. The University provides a wireless Internet _____ to its students.

- n.* a large, wide road designed for high-speed traffic

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

- adv.* more and more

ANSWERS: 31. communicate, 32. wavelengths, 33. delivery, 34. distributed, 35. overly, 36. long-range, 37. superhighway, 38. increasingly

39. Flight across the _____ was a daring adventure in its day.
- n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
40. I don't have the _____ to take on any new projects, as I'm already working on multiple assignments.
- n.* the amount of data that can be transmitted or processed at one time often used to describe the capacity of electronic communication or computing systems
41. This shirt will _____ in the wash.
- v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
42. The value of our house rose _____ last year.
- adv.* suddenly and to a great degree; in an aggressive manner
43. The computer hard drive had plenty of storage space but was running low on available _____.
- n.* a unit of digital information that consists of 8 bits, typically used to represent a single character of text or a small amount of computer code
44. Her dog is her excellent _____.
- n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel
45. The office's _____ network allows employees to work from anywhere in the building.
- adj.* of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals
46. The roads _____ through the countryside, creating a beautiful scenic drive.
- v.* to move or make lines that intersect or cross each other in a pattern resembling a series of X's

ANSWERS: 39. continent, 40. bandwidth, 41. shrink, 42. sharply, 43. bytes, 44. companion, 45. wireless, 46. crisscrossed

47. The _____ in the real estate deal ensured a smooth and fair transaction.
- n.* a person who acts as an intermediary between two or more parties, often facilitating the exchange of goods or services and taking a commission or fee for their services
48. Their company has been in business for a short time but has _____ goals.
- adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
49. After the airing of the TV commercial, many people accessed the website, and the _____ went down.
- n.* a computer program or a device from which other computers get information; a person who serves food in a restaurant
50. The system is still so _____ that it is useless.
- adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
51. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.
- n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
52. The photographer took this photo using a telephoto _____.
- n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
53. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
- v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

ANSWERS: 47. middleman, 48. ambitious, 49. server, 50. inefficient, 51. device, 52. lens, 53. relate

54. The human ear can detect sounds with frequencies ranging from 20 to 20,000 _____.
- n.* the unit of frequency, equal to one cycle per second, often used to describe the frequency of electromagnetic waves or electronic signals
55. He was provoked to _____ the draft on the floor.
- v.* to throw or push something or someone with force or recklessness, especially because you are angry
56. Please _____ the news to the world.
- v.* to receive and pass something, such as information or a message, from one person or group to another; to broadcast something on television, radio, etc.
57. The _____ bus will take you to the airport in 15 minutes.
- n.* a vehicle or boat that regularly moves between two places; bobbin that passes the weft thread between the warp threads
58. The sponge _____ water well.
- v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
59. Many famous _____ are within walking distance.
- n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
60. The cardiac monitor displays the intensity of your _____.
- n.* the regular heartbeat as it sends blood around the body, especially when it is felt at the wrist or side of the neck; a solid regular vibration of sound, electric current, light, or other waves
61. I don't _____ take a vacation in the middle of summer.
- adv.* usually; under normal conditions

ANSWERS: 54. hertz, 55. fling, 56. relay, 57. shuttle, 58. absorbs, 59. sights, 60. pulse, 61. normally

62. The campaign ad was designed with bright colors and bold fonts for maximum _____ impact.

adj. relating to vision or the eyes; relating to or involving light or optics

63. The government decided to _____ funding towards education and healthcare.

v. to change the direction or course of something; to send in a different direction

64. Gamma _____ penetrate body tissues and cause cell damage.

n. a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy

65. He _____ serious accounting irregularities that only people in the company's executive could know.

v. to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container

66. Don't _____ horses while crossing a stream.

v. to give something and receive something in trade

67. She is the _____ president of the company.

adj. being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

68. Ecuador is on the _____.

n. an line of latitude that separates Earth's northern and southern hemispheres and has a radius of around 40,075 kilometers (24,901 miles)

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

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

ANSWERS: 62. optic, 63. redirect, 64. rays, 65. leaked, 66. swap, 67. virtual, 68. equator, 69. settle

70. We can use this campaign as a bargaining _____ in the negotiations.
- n.* a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat
71. The company has an _____ network of offices and locations around the world.
- adj.* large or wide in extent or scope; friendly and open and willing to talk
72. The fire ruined all the food stored in the _____.
- n.* a large building for storing goods and merchandise, especially before they are sold, used, or sent out to shops
73. We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction _____ on the main road.
- n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
74. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.
- n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
75. _____ is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.
- n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
76. The motion of planets can be described using _____ mechanics.
- adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation

ANSWERS: 70. chip, 71. expansive, 72. warehouse, 73. traffic, 74. planet, 75. Silicon, 76. Newtonian

77. Einstein's new _____ theory transformed traditional scientific notions about light.
n. the academic study of vision and light
78. I tried to _____ the efficiency of the investment.
v. to make a mathematical calculation
79. Relations between the two countries have been relatively _____ due to the summit meeting.
adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
80. The new smartphone model is _____ to the previous version in terms of speed and features.
adj. better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others
81. He _____ himself and ended up getting sick.
v. to work excessively hard or too much; the condition of working excessively or beyond one's capacity, leading to fatigue, stress, and illness
82. _____ brooks are noisier than deep rivers.
adj. not having much distance from the top to the bottom
83. The _____ scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector
n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
84. I want to _____ my sadness into strength.
v. to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
85. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.
v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

ANSWERS: 77. optics, 78. compute, 79. stable, 80. superior, 81. overworked, 82. Shallow, 83. fuel, 84. convert, 85. evolved

86. The missile system was designed for _____ attacks on enemy territory.
adj. limited in extent, scope, or distance; designed or intended to operate or be effective only over a short distance or period of time
87. They will _____ between various emotional states.
v. to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back
88. The _____ illusion made it appear like the building was floating in midair.
adj. of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light
89. This system uses submarine _____ to exchange information between continents.
n. a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
90. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.
adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
91. The fire department arrived just in time to _____ the family from the burning building.
v. to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
92. He found that it is difficult to _____ socially.
v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
93. The morning sun _____ off the dew on the grass, creating a beautiful rainbow.
v. to bend or alter the direction of light, sound, or particles as they pass through different substances or mediums; to cause something to appear distorted or altered

ANSWERS: 86. short-range, 87. bounce, 88. optical, 89. cables, 90. vast, 91. rescue, 92. integrate, 93. refracted

94. Her resistance _____ under his persuasion.

v. to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating

95. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

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

96. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.

adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

97. The oscillator hunts for the correct _____.

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

ANSWERS: 94. melted, 95. engineer, 96. digital, 97. frequency