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Session 1: Word List

atmospheric

adj. about or located in the earth's atmosphere

synonym : atmospherical, climatic

- (1) doubling of **atmospheric** carbon dioxide,
- (2) **atmospheric** pressure

The sea surface temperature and **atmospheric** circulation are inextricably linked.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym : specialized, technical

- (1) **technological** advancement, (2) **technological** policy
- Technological** advances have disrupted many industries.

conservative

adj. holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

synonym : traditional, reactionary, cautious

- (1) a **conservative** society, (2) **conservative** about production

He always makes a **conservative** estimation when predicting future sales.

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.

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**.

undergraduate

n. a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution

synonym: college student, freshman

(1) engineering **undergraduate**, (2) **undergraduate** course

The class was composed of both **undergraduate** and graduate students.

geology

n. a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks

synonym: earth science

(1) bureau of **geology**, (2) local **geology**

He was a visiting **geology** professor at the University of Tokyo.

cavern

n. a large, natural underground space

synonym: grotto, cave, cavity

(1) a yawning **cavern**, (2) **cavern** tour

The explorer discovered a large **cavern** deep underground.

carbon

n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

(1) **carbon** dioxide, (2) **carbon** emission

Trees absorb **carbon** dioxide and give off oxygen.

cycle

n. an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle

synonym : revolution, rotation, bike

(1) the **cycle** of the seasons, (2) go to the workplace by **cycle**

The food chain causes a material **cycle**.

slump

v. to fall or sink suddenly, often due to loss of support or stability; to decline or decrease abruptly, as in business or economic conditions; to become despondent or dispirited; (noun) a sudden or prolonged decline or drop in value, price, or quality

synonym : drop, sink, sag

(1) **slump** against pillows, (2) economic **slump**

Sales of the product **slumped** after the negative reviews were published.

doze

v. to sleep lightly or for a short period of time

synonym : nap, snooze, slumber

(1) **doze** over a book, (2) **doze** in the sun

He **dozed** off in his chair while watching TV.

encouraging

adj. giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring

synonym : uplifting, inspiring, optimistic

(1) **encouraging** approval, (2) **encouraging** sign

The test results were **encouraging** and showed improvement.

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.

baptize

v. to make someone officially a member of the Christian Church by baptism (= a form of Christian ritual)

purification)

synonym : purify, immerse

(1) **baptize** a baby, (2) **baptize** with water

The priest **baptized** my father on his deathbed.

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.

predict

v. to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

synonym : forecast, anticipate, foresee

(1) **predict** the future, (2) **predict** when she will arrive

It's notoriously challenging to **predict** birth rates.

climate

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

synonym : atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change

Climate and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym : accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

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.

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

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**
Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure
stags.

thermometer *n.* a device used to measure temperature, typically
consisting of a glass or plastic tube containing a column
of liquid, such as mercury, that rises and falls with
changes in temperature

synonym: thermos, gauge, climate gauge

(1) digital **thermometer**, (2) clinical **thermometer**

My mother always used a mercury **thermometer** to check
our temperature when we were sick.

liberal *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs
or behavior; open-minded

synonym: broad, free, large-minded

(1) a **liberal** arts college, (2) under **liberal** conditions

He is **liberal** in his thoughts.

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.

wean *v.* to gradually stop feeding a baby or young animal with its
mother's milk and to start or accustom to eating other
food

synonym: ablactate

(1) **wean** a person from a bad habit, (2) **wean** my baby from the breast

It's difficult to **wean** an addict off drugs once they're hooked.

fossil

n. any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock

synonym: relic, remnant, antediluvian

(1) burning of **fossil** fuels, (2) a **fossil** leaf

It was the **fossil** of a dinosaur tooth.

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

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.

excuse

n. a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt

synonym: apology, justification, reason

(1) **excuse** for inaction, (2) perfect **excuse**

He quickly fabricated an **excuse** for not attending the meeting.

disrupt

v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

synonym: interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition, (2) **disrupt** sleep
I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

argument

n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

synonym: debate, discourse, discussion

(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment

The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

ideology

n. a set of beliefs or philosophies that an economic or political system is based on

synonym: credo, doctrine, principles

(1) the **ideology** of the left, (2) political **ideology**

Racial equality is an integral part of democratic **ideology**.

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym: character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

pundit

n. an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue

synonym: expert, commentator, punditry

(1) conservative **pundit**, (2) sports **pundit**

The political **pundit** provided analysis and commentary on the latest election results.

politician

n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

synonym: congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

(1) a **politician** in the ruling party, (2) a corrupt **politician**
The **politician** lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

myth

n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

synonym: fable, legend, lore

(1) the **myth** of an old religion, (2) perpetuate a **myth**
With the financial bubble bursting, the **myth** of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

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.

poll

n. an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election

synonym: survey, ballot, voting

(1) a pre-election **poll**, (2) public opinion **polls**

Several **polls** show a decline in the president's approval rating.

rub

v. to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure

synonym: scrub, massage, stroke

(1) **rub** shoulders, (2) **rub** a glass window

She **rubbed** the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.

quarter

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

synonym: fourth, one-fourth

(1) a **quarter** mile, (2) end of the first **quarter**

The unemployment rate in the first **quarter** was 2.3

percentage points higher than in the previous.

vicious

adj. having or showing a desire to cause harm to others;
having the nature of vice

synonym : malicious, spiteful, malevolent

(1) **vicious** attack, (2) **vicious** deflationary spiral

The **vicious** dog barked and growled at anyone who came near its territory.

precipitation

n. moisture that condenses from the atmosphere and falls to the earth in the form of rain, snow, sleet, or hail; an unexpected acceleration or hastening

synonym : moisture, rain, snow

(1) **precipitation** pattern, (2) the annual **precipitation**

The **precipitation** forecast for the weekend is for heavy rain.

frequent

adj. happening constantly

synonym : periodic, recurring, routine

(1) **frequent** absence, (2) **frequent** use

His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

hurricane

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

synonym : cyclone, typhoon, storm

(1) a **hurricane** of applause, (2) the ravages of a **hurricane**

The devastating **hurricane** caused widespread damage and left many people homeless.

intense

adj. (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe

synonym : extreme, fierce, harsh

(1) **intense** heat, (2) develop **intense** itching

That statement by the prime minister drew **intense** international criticism.

release

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

synonym: free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

doom

n. death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

synonym: judgment, destiny, fate

(1) economic **doom**, (2) prophet of **doom**

Everyone was aware of the impending **doom** but was unable to prevent it.

suppose

v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

synonym: guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand

What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

radiate

v. to spread out or emit something, such as light or heat, in all directions

synonym: give off, scatter, beam

(1) **radiate** an aura, (2) **radiate** in all directions

Roads **radiate** from the famous building in the center of the city.

parameterize

v. to describe or represent something as a parameter (= a numerical or measurable factor that defines a system and determines its performance) or parameters

(1) **parameterize** the utility function, (2) **parameterize** the complex system

All climate models apply the same physical laws, but the outcomes vary because they **parameterize** phenomena like cloud formation differently.

discovery

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

synonym : finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

coal

n. a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat

synonym : ember

(1) a **coal-fired** ship, (2) construction of new **coal** plants

We combust **coal** and other fossil fuels to generate electricity.

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**.

wrap

v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

synonym : surround, cover, bandage

(1) **wrap** a fish in foil, (2) **wrap** up a meeting

Wrap the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

blanket

n. a large piece of soft material used to cover or wrap a person or thing to keep them warm; (adjective) broad in scope or content

synonym : cover, coverlet, bedspread

(1) **blanket** authority, (2) **blanket** scarf

The electric **blanket** keeps me warm on cold nights.

warn

v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

synonym : alert, caution, admonish

(1) **warn** a reckless driver, (2) **warned** me of the plan

I attempted to **warn** him, but he ignored me.

president

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

synonym : leader, CEO, chairperson

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

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

reject

v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

synonym : decline, turn down, repudiate

(1) **reject** the proposal, (2) **reject** all imperfect merchandise

The company **rejected** the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

argue

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

synonym : debate, dispute, quarrel

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

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

trench

n. a long, deep ditch made in the ground, usually parallel to a plate boundary and marking a subduction zone; a long ditch built in the ground for carrying away water

synonym : aqueduct, ditch, channel

(1) deep-sea **trench**, (2) **trench** excavator

A **trench** was being dug alongside the road by workers.

genuine

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

synonym : actual, honest, unpretending

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

Is this painting **genuine** or forged?

communal

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

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination
of funds

Communal elections were held in several European
countries.

outdo

v. to do better than someone; to surpass

synonym : excel, surpass, outshine

(1) **outdo** him in trickery, (2) **outdo** the competition

He tried to **outdo** his rival by breaking the world record.

hike

n. a long walk or journey, especially for pleasure or
exercise; an increase in cost

synonym : walk, trek, excursion

(1) go on a **hike**, (2) a **hike** in prices

The family decided to **hike** in the mountains to enjoy the
beautiful scenery.

hunt

v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for
food, sport, or profit

synonym : chase, pursuit, quest

(1) **hunt** a job, (2) **hunt** after knowledge

Hounds **hunt** their prey by using their keen scent.

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.

nation

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

synonym : country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

faith

n. complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

synonym : belief, trust, confidence

(1) religious **faith**, (2) **faith** in government

He kept his robust **faith** in his company.

Christ

n. the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

synonym : Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of **Christ**, (2) before **Christ**

Christmas is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym : unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

fortunate

adj. having good luck or lucky

synonym : fortuitous, lucky, blessed

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

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

suffer

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

synonym : endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to

move around.

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.

disease

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

synonym: illness, ailment, affliction

(1) **disease** prevention, (2) **disease** control

The doctor diagnosed him with a rare **disease** that had no known cure.

conversation

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

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

tick

n. a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis

synonym: sound, noise, beat

(1) **tick** of the clock, (2) **tick** fever

I always put a **tick** mark next to the items on my grocery list after buying them.

dot

n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
synonym: drop, dab, fleck

(1) connecting the **dots**, (2) **dot** blot method

The wallpaper had a pattern of pink **dots** on a white surface.

scarce

adj. not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain

synonym: rare, limited, sparse

(1) **scarce** resources, (2) capital- **scarce** country

Fresh water is becoming increasingly **scarce** in many parts of the world.

avail

v. to help or benefit; to use or take advantage of

synonym: help, benefit, serve

(1) **avail** you little, (2) **avail** ourselves of this opportunity

Their financing options are reasonable and easy to **avail**.

military

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

synonym: armed, martial, warlike

(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader

The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

threat

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

synonym: menace, danger, hazard

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

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

multiply

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

synonym: boost, amplify, reproduce

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

Multiply a number by itself twice.

crisis

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

taken

synonym: concern, problem, emergency

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

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

refugee

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

synonym: emigrant, evacuee, exile

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

The community warmly welcomed the **refugees**.

exacerbate

v. to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse

synonym: worsen, aggravate, escalate

(1) **exacerbate** the situation, (2) **exacerbate** symptoms

The heat wave **exacerbated** the drought conditions.

rot

v. to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually

synonym: perish, decay, corrode

(1) begin to **rot**, (2) **rot** with age

Please refrigerate the meat, or it will **rot**.

rotary

adj. relating to, revolving around, or characterized by rotation or a revolving motion

synonym: circular, revolving, spinning

(1) **rotary** motion, (2) **rotary** tool

The **rotary** engine is known for its smooth and efficient operation.

giant

adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

synonym: big, gigantic, huge

(1) **giant** trees, (2) **giant** tech company

The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

banner

n. a long strip of cloth or paper bearing a symbol, logo, slogan, or another message, especially carried in a demonstration or procession or hung in a public place; a form of the online advertisement appearing on a web page

synonym: flag, pennant, advertisement

(1) the star-spangled **banner**, (2) **banner** advertising

They unfurled the **banners** in preparation for the ceremony.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym: completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

unfair

adj. not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception

synonym: wrongful, biased, dishonest

(1) **unfair** employment practices, (2) have an **unfair** advantage

In a democracy, it is necessary to monitor the judiciary to see if it is making **unfair** decisions.

contribute

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

synonym: donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,

(2) **contribute** to society

Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

brunt

n. the force or impact of something, often used to describe the full force of an attack or criticism

synonym: force, pressure, impact

(1) bear the **brunt**, (2) the **brunt** of criticism

The **brunt** of the storm hit the coastal towns the hardest.

beneficial

adj. helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being

synonym: useful, advantageous, fruitful

(1) a **beneficial** result, (2) **beneficial** to all countries

Laughing is **beneficial** to our health.

goodwill

n. a friendly or cooperative attitude or feeling between people, businesses, or nations; the reputation or value that a business, organization, or brand has in the community

synonym: friendliness, rapport, amity

(1) **goodwill** gesture, (2) **goodwill** ambassador

The CEO's **goodwill** toward employees was apparent when he thanked every one of them.

reorganize

v. to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization

synonym: rearrange, reconstruct, reshuffle

(1) **reorganize** a department, (2) **reorganize** his debts

The new CEO was appointed to **reorganize** their business.

businessperson

n. a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive

synonym: entrepreneur, executive

(1) a young **businessperson**, (2) **businessperson** network

He was a successful **businessperson** and had much experience in the field.

bemused

adj. mildly puzzled or confused but also amused

synonym: amused, puzzled, confused

(1) **bemused** audience, (2) **bemused** tone

He was **bemused** by the strange behavior of the clown.

fellow

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

synonym : buddy, mate, affiliate

(1) junior **fellow**, (2) nice **fellow**

He is the kind of **fellow** who only works for his success.

church

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

synonym : chapel, cathedral, synagogue

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

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

traction

n. the action or ability to pull something along a surface without sliding

synonym : pulling, friction, suction

(1) increase **traction** on ice, (2) electronic **traction**

His leg was in **traction** for weeks after the accident.

denomination

n. a religious group or branch, usually including many local churches; a value or size of a banknote, coin, or postage stamp

synonym : sect, faith, creed

(1) a religious **denomination**, (2) notes of small **denomination**

He flashed a fistful of large **denomination** bills.

attend

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

synonym : go, be present, accompany

(1) **attend** a meeting, (2) **attend** service

We must **attend** to this matter.

atheist

n. a person who denies or disbelieves the existence of a deity or deities

synonym : nonbeliever, unbeliever, secularist

(1) **atheist** community, (2) **atheist** belief

She was an **atheist** without any belief in a higher power.

involve

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

synonym: implicate, include, engage

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

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

identify

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

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

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

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

flood

n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

synonym: deluge, downpour, overflow

(1) **flood** advisory, (2) a **flood** of questions

These heavy rains caused flash **floods** on several islands.

wildfire

n. a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope

synonym: blaze, bonfire, flame

(1) **wildfire** spread, (2) arson-caused **wildfire**

The **wildfire** destroyed hundreds of homes and forced thousands of people to evacuate.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym: discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

gulf

n. a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land

synonym : chasm, divide, abyss

(1) **gulf** war, (2) **gulf** stream

The **Gulf** of Mexico is a body of water in the southern United States.

typhoon

n. a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean

synonym : cyclone, hurricane, storm

(1) super **typhoon**, (2) **typhoon** season

Many families were forced to evacuate their homes due to the **typhoon's** severity.

cyclone

n. a violent, rotating windstorm that forms over tropical waters and can cause extensive damage to coastal regions, also known as a hurricane or typhoon, depending on the region in which it occurs

synonym : tornado, twister, hurricane

(1) **cyclone** warning, (2) devastating **cyclone**

The **cyclone's** strong winds and rough seas severely impacted the fishing industry.

drought

n. a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation

synonym : dryness, aridity, water shortage

(1) periods of **drought**, (2) **drought** conditions

The region has been experiencing a severe **drought**, leading to water shortages and crop failures.

severe

adj. extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous

synonym : harsh, relentless, powerful

(1) **severe** heat, (2) a **severe** case of pneumonia

The senator received **severe** criticism from his opponent.

scare

v. to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

synonym : frighten, spook, intimidate

(1) **scare** off her attacker by screaming, (2) **scare** the birds away

We hit the ground to **scare** out the rabbits.

pants

n. an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs

synonym: trousers, breeches, slacks

(1) woolly **pants**, (2) pajama **pants**

I always wear **pants** when I go outside, even in the summer.

motivate

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

synonym: boost, encourage, inspire

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

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

sustained

adj. lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense

synonym: prolonged, extended, continual

(1) **sustained** economic growth, (2) **sustained** release medication

The company experienced **sustained** growth over the past decade.

recognize

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

synonym: acknowledge, identify, admit

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

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

stake

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

synonym: share, interest, post

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

stake

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

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym: sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

abundant

adj. present in great quantity

synonym: ample, plentiful, generative

(1) live an **abundant** life, (2) an **abundant** supply of water

The country has **abundant** oil and natural gas resources.

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.

practical

adj. of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas

synonym: applicable, functional, realistic

(1) **practical** English, (2) gain **practical** experience

Her concept is highly **practical** and helpful.

viable

adj. capable of being done as intended; able to succeed

synonym: feasible, possible, attainable

(1) achieve a **viable** relationship, (2) develop a **viable** therapy

Male gorillas with good drumming skills are more **viable**.

attractive

adj. immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable

synonym : beautiful, fetching, alluring

(1) **attractive** men, (2) **attractive** opportunity

The growth of the "sharing economy" is **attractive** for tech companies.

bullet

n. a metal projectile that is shot from a gun

synonym : projectile, slug, shot

(1) **bullet** wound, (2) **bullet** train

The stray **bullet** went through the window and hit the wall.

buck

n. a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention

synonym : dollar, money, currency

(1) **buck** the trend, (2) extra **buck**

I spotted a majestic **buck** with large antlers standing at the forest's edge.

footprint

n. a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

synonym : footmark, imprint, impression

(1) **footprints** in the snow, (2) the **footprints** of an earlier civilization

We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon **footprint**.

bulb

n. a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball

(1) wet- **bulb** thermometer, (2) a lily **bulb**

The light **bulb** has burned out.

shingle

n. a thin piece of wood, slate, or other material used as a roof covering or siding

synonym : tile, slate, clapboard

(1) asphalt **shingle**, (2) wooden **shingle**

The roofer installed new **shingles** on the roof to replace the old and worn-out ones.

fridge

n. a piece of electrical equipment in which food can be stored at low temperatures so that it stays fresh

synonym : refrigerator

(1) **fridge** magnet, (2) fill the **fridge**

She left the **fridge** door open inadvertently.

chain

n. a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

synonym : series, string, link

(1) **chain** reaction, (2) supply **chain**

The **chain** on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

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.

invitation

n. a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something

synonym : request, asking, proposal

(1) a letter of **invitation**, (2) **invitation** of foreign investment

I will be very happy to accept your **invitation**.

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**.

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym : abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

minimize

v. to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious

synonym : diminish, mitigate, belittle

(1) **minimize** a loss, (2) way to **minimize** conflict

I bought a gadget before my trip to help **minimize** stress during the flight.

transit

n. the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation

synonym : transportation, passage, transfer

(1) a **transit** visa, (2) mass **transit**

Public **transit** is an essential service for many cities.

emission

n. the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.

synonym : emanation, radiation, discharge

(1) global **emissions** of greenhouse gases, (2) the **emission** of light

There are five distinct **emissions** at five unique wavelengths.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

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.

renewable

adj. capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
synonym: sustainable, replaceable

(1) **renewable** energy, (2) **renewable** subscriptions

The production of **renewable** fuels requires massive volumes of fresh water.

fort

n. a military structure designed to be defended from attack
synonym: stronghold, bastion, fortress

(1) an isolated **fort**, (2) **fort** gate

The stone **fort** was built to protect the city from invading forces.

hood

n. a covering for the head and neck, especially one attached to a garment

synonym: hoodie, cowl, cloak

(1) **hood** ornament, (2) a silk **hood**

He pulled his waterproof **hood** up to protect himself from the rain.

taxpayer

n. a person who pays taxes to the government

synonym: contributor, payer, financier

(1) **taxpayer** money, (2) delinquent **taxpayer**

As a **taxpayer**, he felt his money was wasted on unnecessary government projects.

sub-Saharan

adj. of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert

(1) **sub-Saharan** Africa, (2) **sub-Saharan** countries

The coffee producers in **sub-Saharan** countries are at the sharp end of fluctuations in price.

kerosene

n. a flammable, colorless, or pale yellow liquid derived from the distillation of petroleum, used as a fuel for lamps, stoves, and heaters

synonym : fuel oil, lamp oil, coal oil

(1) **kerosene** stove, (2) burning **kerosene**

The lamp in the cabin burned **kerosene** for light.

investor

n. someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

synonym : financier, banker, stockholder

(1) **investor** lawsuit, (2) a real estate **investor**

Institutional **investors** refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.

nonprofit

adj. not established for commercial profit

synonym : charitable

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

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

corporation

n. a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

synonym : business, company, enterprise

(1) a public **corporation**, (2) **corporation** assets

Four companies were amalgamated into a single **corporation**.

innovative

adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.

synonym : creative, ingenious, inventive

(1) use of **innovative** technology, (2) stylistically **innovative** works

The Prime Minister stressed the need to create **innovative** industries.

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

synonym : banking, investment, fund

(1) **finance** act, (2) manage my **finances**

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in **finance**.

scheme

n. an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something

synonym : strategy, blueprint, plan

(1) a pilot **scheme**, (2) draw out a **scheme**

They carefully executed the well-planned **scheme** they had prepared over the years.

pay-as-you-go

adj. (also known as a "pay-as-you-use" or "pay-per-use") describing a payment model or system in which users pay for goods or services as they are consumed, rather than paying for an entire service or product upfront

synonym : prepaid, subscription-based, incremental billing

(1) **pay-as-you-go** basis, (2) **pay-as-you-go** service

I prefer to use **pay-as-you-go** cellphone plans to control my monthly expenses.

increment

n. a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important

synonym : increase, expansion, addendum

(1) steady **incremental** growth, (2) small **increments**

The bid **increment** for this auction is \$100.

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.

estimate

v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

synonym : calculate, gauge, evaluate

(1) **estimate** a fair value, (2) **estimate** this chicken to weigh three pounds

We **estimated** the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym: critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life

Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

invest

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

synonym: fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

panel

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

synonym: board, commission, discussion

(1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

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.

incandescent

adj. emitting light as a result of being heated; shining brightly; passionate or enthusiastic

synonym: glowing, radiant, brilliant

(1) **incandescent** emotion, (2) **incandescent** personality

The **incandescent** lights in the room created a warm and inviting atmosphere.

decarbonize

v. to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy

synonym : decoke, decarburise, decarburize

(1) **decarbonize** their manufacturing process,

(2) **decarbonize** its energy system

We have to seek methods to **decarbonize** its fossil fuel economy.

fleet

n. a group of military ships, aircraft, etc., operating together under the same ownership; (adjective) moving very fast

synonym : armada, flotilla, (adjective) speedy

(1) **fleet** of foot, (2) a **fleet** horse

We destroyed a **fleet** of 70 enemy ships.

industrialize

v. to organize the production of something into an industry

synonym : motorize

(1) **industrialize** service, (2) **industrialized** textile production

The nations of South East Asia will quickly **industrialize** and catch up with the West.

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.

primarily

adv. mainly

synonym : largely, mainly, mostly

(1) intended **primarily** for young people, (2) **primarily** affect adults

All peaceful cooperation is based **primarily** on mutual trust.

boulder

n. a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion

synonym: rock, stone, clump

(1) **boulder** field, (2) lava **boulder**

The hikers had to climb over a **boulder** that was blocking their path.

roll

v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

synonym: spin, swirl, wheel

(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks

He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.

daunting

adj. looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something

synonym: intimidating, stunning, disheartening

(1) face the **daunting** reality, (2) seem like a **daunting** task

My homework was **daunting** and complex, but it was also intriguing.

despair

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

synonym: dismay, anguish, misery

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

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

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

Session 2: Spelling

1. face the da_____ng reality
adj. looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something
2. in_____e heat
adj. (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
3. gi__t trees
adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
4. in_____e a lot of paperwork
v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
5. at____d service
v. to be present at an event, to go to a place
6. execution by burning at a st__e
n. a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
7. environmental th____t
n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
8. fl__d advisory
n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
9. art cr____c
n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

ANSWERS: 1. daunting, 2. intense, 3. giant, 4. involve, 5. attend, 6. stake, 7. threat, 8. flood, 9. critic

10. a tr____t visa *n.* the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation
11. show ge____e regret *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
12. lava bo____r *n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion
13. clinical the____er *n.* a device used to measure temperature, typically consisting of a glass or plastic tube containing a column of liquid, such as mercury, that rises and falls with changes in temperature
14. inc____gly become common *adv.* more and more
15. w__n a reckless driver *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
16. small ch____h *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
17. dis____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
18. telescopic vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
19. re____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
20. 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: 10. transit, 11. genuine, 12. boulder, 13. thermometer, 14. increasingly, 15. warn, 16. church, 17. distribute, 18. vision, 19. replace, 20. planet

21. di_____t a well-ordered condition *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
22. the annual pre_____ion *n.* moisture that condenses from the atmosphere and falls to the earth in the form of rain, snow, sleet, or hail; an unexpected acceleration or hastening
23. under li_____l conditions *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
24. public opinion p____s *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
25. sub_____an Africa *adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert
26. un____r employment practices *adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception
27. local ge_____y *n.* a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks
28. a lily b__b *n.* a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball
29. inc_____ent personality *adj.* emitting light as a result of being heated; shining brightly; passionate or enthusiastic

ANSWERS: 21. disrupt, 22. precipitation, 23. liberal, 24. poll, 25. sub-Saharan, 26. unfair, 27. geology, 28. bulb, 29. incandescent

30. pr_____t when she will arrive *v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
31. fr_____nt absence *adj.* happening constantly
32. economic d___m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
33. h___d ornament *n.* a covering for the head and neck, especially one attached to a garment
34. the ar_____nt against capital punishment *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
35. exa_____te symptoms *v.* to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse
36. fr___e magnet *n.* a piece of electrical equipment in which food can be stored at low temperatures so that it stays fresh
37. cy_____e warning *n.* a violent, rotating windstorm that forms over tropical waters and can cause extensive damage to coastal regions, also known as a hurricane or typhoon, depending on the region in which it occurs
38. reo_____ze his debts *v.* to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization
39. bu___t wound *n.* a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
40. di_____t sleep *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

ANSWERS: 30. predict, 31. frequent, 32. doom, 33. hood, 34. argument, 35. exacerbate, 36. fridge, 37. cyclone, 38. reorganize, 39. bullet, 40. disrupt

41. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
42. 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
43. a ge_____e article *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
44. h__t after knowledge *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
45. ca_____n emission *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
46. di_____e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
47. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
48. all ability to mo_____te *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
49. ba_____e a baby *v.* to make someone officially a member of the Christian Church by baptism (= a form of Christian ritual purification)
50. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 41. president, 42. trap, 43. genuine, 44. hunt, 45. carbon, 46. disease, 47. essential, 48. motivate, 49. baptize, 50. discovery

51. perfect ex___e *n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt
52. r_t with age *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
53. mass tr____t *n.* the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation
54. in___t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
55. economic sl__p *v.* to fall or sink suddenly, often due to loss of support or stability; to decline or decrease abruptly, as in business or economic conditions; to become despondent or dispirited; (noun) a sudden or prolonged decline or drop in value, price, or quality
56. infrared sp____um *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
57. sc__e the birds away *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
58. 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
59. develop a vi___e therapy *adj.* capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
60. ben____al to all countries *adj.* helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being

ANSWERS: 51. excuse, 52. rot, 53. transit, 54. invest, 55. slump, 56. spectrum, 57. scare, 58. communicate, 59. viable, 60. beneficial

61. ch___h bell *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
62. t__k fever *n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis
63. dec_____ze its energy system *v.* to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy
64. religious fa__h *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
65. have a st___e job *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
66. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
67. a h__e in prices *n.* a long walk or journey, especially for pleasure or exercise; an increase in cost
68. a fo___l leaf *n.* any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock
69. g__f war *n.* a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land
70. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

ANSWERS: 61. church, 62. tick, 63. decarbonize, 64. faith, 65. stable, 66. replace, 67. hike, 68. fossil, 69. gulf, 70. roll

71. delinquent ta_____er *n.* a person who pays taxes to the government
72. in st___e condition *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
73. 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
74. achieve a vi___e relationship *adj.* capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
75. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
76. devastating cy_____e *n.* a violent, rotating windstorm that forms over tropical waters and can cause extensive damage to coastal regions, also known as a hurricane or typhoon, depending on the region in which it occurs
77. sc__e off her attacker by screaming *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
78. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
79. bl_____t authority *n.* a large piece of soft material used to cover or wrap a person or thing to keep them warm; (adjective) broad in scope or content
80. par_____ize the utility function *v.* to describe or represent something as a parameter (= a numerical or measurable factor that defines a system and determines its performance) or parameters

ANSWERS: 71. taxpayer, 72. stable, 73. democracy, 74. viable, 75. incredible, 76. cyclone, 77. scare, 78. inspire, 79. blanket, 80. parameterize

81. untold de_____r *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
82. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
83. manage my fi_____es *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
84. mo_____te the students *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
85. the ravages of a hu_____ne *n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
86. ch__n reaction *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
87. supply ch__n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
88. av__l ourselves of this opportunity *v.* to help or benefit; to use or take advantage of

ANSWERS: 81. despair, 82. economy, 83. finance, 84. motivate, 85. hurricane, 86. chain, 87. chain, 88. avail

89. capital-sc___e country *adj.* not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain
90. begin to r_t *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
91. construction of new c__l plants *n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
92. end of the first qu____r *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
93. ir__y humor *n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
94. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
95. deep-sea tr___h *n.* a long, deep ditch made in the ground, usually parallel to a plate boundary and marking a subduction zone; a long ditch built in the ground for carrying away water
96. the br__t of criticism *n.* the force or impact of something, often used to describe the full force of an attack or criticism
97. a religious den_____ion *n.* a religious group or branch, usually including many local churches; a value or size of a banknote, coin, or postage stamp

ANSWERS: 89. scarce, 90. rot, 91. coal, 92. quarter, 93. irony, 94. recognize, 95. trench, 96. brunt, 97. denomination

98. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
99. d__e in the sun *v.* to sleep lightly or for a short period of time
100. po_____y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
101. ta_____er money *n.* a person who pays taxes to the government
102. at_____t community *n.* a person who denies or disbelieves the existence of a deity or deities
103. go_____ll ambassador *n.* a friendly or cooperative attitude or feeling between people, businesses, or nations; the reputation or value that a business, organization, or brand has in the community
104. arson-caused wi_____re *n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope
105. a se___e case of pneumonia *adj.* extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous
106. exa_____te the situation *v.* to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse
107. reo_____ze a department *v.* to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization
108. use of inn_____ve technology *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
109. no_____it agency *adj.* not established for commercial profit

ANSWERS: 98. statistics, 99. doze, 100. poverty, 101. taxpayer, 102. atheist, 103. goodwill, 104. wildfire, 105. severe, 106. exacerbate, 107. reorganize, 108. innovative, 109. nonprofit

110. perpetuate a m__h *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
111. burning of fo___l fuels *n.* any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock
112. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
113. gi__t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
114. a pre-election p__l *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
115. w__ned me of the plan *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
116. a public cor_____on *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
117. buy the company's st__e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
118. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

ANSWERS: 110. myth, 111. fossil, 112. politician, 113. giant, 114. poll, 115. warn, 116. corporation, 117. stake, 118. mass

119. a no_____it organization *adj.* not established for commercial profit
120. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
121. a broad sp_____um of opinion *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
122. a yawning ca____n *n.* a large, natural underground space
123. sl__p against pillows *v.* to fall or sink suddenly, often due to loss of support or stability; to decline or decrease abruptly, as in business or economic conditions; to become despondent or dispirited; (noun) a sudden or prolonged decline or drop in value, price, or quality
124. h__t a job *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
125. live an ab_____nt life *adj.* present in great quantity
126. ra_____e an aura *v.* to spread out or emit something, such as light or heat, in all directions
127. prophet of d__m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
128. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
129. less fo_____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
130. bu____t train *n.* a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
131. tr____h excavator *n.* a long, deep ditch made in the ground, usually parallel to a plate boundary and marking a subduction zone; a long ditch built in the ground for carrying away water

ANSWERS: 119. nonprofit, 120. colleague, 121. spectrum, 122. cavern, 123. slump, 124. hunt, 125. abundant, 126. radiate, 127. doom, 128. conversation, 129. fortunate, 130. bullet, 131. trench

132. electronic tr____on *n.* the action or ability to pull something along a surface without sliding
133. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
134. engineering und_____ate *n.* a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution
135. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
136. a mi_____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
137. the id_____gy of the left *n.* a set of beliefs or philosophies that an economic or political system is based on
138. ind_____ized textile production *v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
139. bus_____son network *n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive
140. in____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
141. global re_____e crisis *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
142. es_____te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

ANSWERS: 132. traction, 133. technological, 134. undergraduate, 135. climate, 136. military, 137. ideology, 138. industrialize, 139. businessperson, 140. invest, 141. refugee, 142. estimate

143. wet-b__b thermometer *n.* a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball
144. re_____le energy *adj.* capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
145. sub_____an countries *adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert
146. a fl__d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
147. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
148. increase tr_____on on ice *n.* the action or ability to pull something along a surface without sliding
149. r_b a glass window *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
150. a young bus_____son *n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive
151. political id_____gy *n.* a set of beliefs or philosophies that an economic or political system is based on
152. atm_____ic pressure *adj.* about or located in the earth's atmosphere
153. w__n my baby from the breast *v.* to gradually stop feeding a baby or young animal with its mother's milk and to start or accustom to eating other food

ANSWERS: 143. bulb, 144. renewable, 145. sub-Saharan, 146. flood, 147. discovery, 148. traction, 149. rub, 150. businessperson, 151. ideology, 152. atmospheric, 153. wean

154. go to the workplace by cy__e *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
155. a silk h__d *n.* a covering for the head and neck, especially one attached to a garment
156. a qu____r mile *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
157. in____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
158. pr____t the future *v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
159. ou__o him in trickery *v.* to do better than someone; to surpass
160. de____r at the future *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
161. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
162. gov____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
163. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
164. at____t belief *n.* a person who denies or disbelieves the existence of a deity or deities

ANSWERS: 154. cycle, 155. hood, 156. quarter, 157. involve, 158. predict, 159. outdo, 160. despair, 161. nation, 162. government, 163. argue, 164. atheist

165. att_____ve men *adj.* immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
166. cor_____on assets *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
167. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
168. the star-spangled ba____r *n.* a long strip of cloth or paper bearing a symbol, logo, slogan, or another message, especially carried in a demonstration or procession or hung in a public place; a form of the online advertisement appearing on a web page
169. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
170. ca____n dioxide *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
171. have an un____r advantage *adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception
172. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 165. attractive, 166. corporation, 167. colleague, 168. banner, 169. president, 170. carbon, 171. unfair, 172. statistics

173. und_____ate course	<i>n.</i>	a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution
174. com_____te well with my advisor	<i>v.</i>	to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
175. a real estate in_____or	<i>n.</i>	someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
176. d_t blot method	<i>n.</i>	a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
177. a con_____ive society	<i>adj.</i>	holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
178. conservative pu____t	<i>n.</i>	an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue
179. r__y on convenience stores	<i>v.</i>	to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
180. a pilot sc____e	<i>n.</i>	an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something
181. ty_____n season	<i>n.</i>	a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean
182. id____fy gene sequences	<i>v.</i>	to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
183. id____ty as an individual	<i>n.</i>	the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

ANSWERS: 173. undergraduate, 174. communicate, 175. investor, 176. dot, 177. conservative, 178. pundit, 179. rely, 180. scheme, 181. typhoon, 182. identify, 183. identity

184. pa__l discussion *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
185. a ben_____al result *adj.* helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being
186. ind_____ize service *v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
187. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
188. woolly pa__s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
189. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
190. tec_____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
191. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
192. digital the_____er *n.* a device used to measure temperature, typically consisting of a glass or plastic tube containing a column of liquid, such as mercury, that rises and falls with changes in temperature

ANSWERS: 184. panel, 185. beneficial, 186. industrialize, 187. distribute, 188. pants, 189. fortunate, 190. technological, 191. argument, 192. thermometer

193. in____or lawsuit *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
194. dr____t conditions *n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
195. mu____ly 5 and 6 *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
196. pre____ion pattern *n.* moisture that condenses from the atmosphere and falls to the earth in the form of rain, snow, sleet, or hail; an unexpected acceleration or hastening
197. su____r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
198. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
199. the cy__e of the seasons *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
200. 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

ANSWERS: 193. investor, 194. drought, 195. multiply, 196. precipitation, 197. suffer, 198. doe, 199. cycle, 200. economy

201. mu____ly about hundredfold *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
202. effects of cl____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
203. go on a h__e *n.* a long walk or journey, especially for pleasure or exercise; an increase in cost
204. global em____ons of greenhouse gases *n.* the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
205. smokeless f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
206. pay_____-go service *adj.* (also known as a "pay-as-you-use" or "pay-per-use") describing a payment model or system in which users pay for goods or services as they are consumed, rather than paying for an entire service or product upfront
207. inc____ent emotion *adj.* emitting light as a result of being heated; shining brightly; passionate or enthusiastic
208. draw out a sc____e *n.* an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something
209. 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
210. cost of solar pa__ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

ANSWERS: 201. multiply, 202. climate, 203. hike, 204. emission, 205. fuel, 206. pay-as-you-go, 207. incandescent, 208. scheme, 209. trap, 210. panel

211. a hu_____ne of applause *n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
212. pajama pa__s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
213. intended pr_____ly for young people *adv.* mainly
214. biomass f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
215. es_____te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
216. con_____te a large sum of money to the fund *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
217. buck and d_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
218. t__k of the clock *n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis
219. dec_____ze their manufacturing process *v.* to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy

ANSWERS: 211. hurricane, 212. pants, 213. primarily, 214. fuel, 215. estimate, 216. contribute, 217. doe, 218. tick, 219. decarbonize

220. way to mi____ze conflict
221. pay_____-go basis
222. d__e over a book
223. re____ze achievement
224. wooden sh____e
225. enc____ng approval
226. su____r a setback
227. r__l down his cheeks
228. critical m__s
- v.* to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious
- adj.* (also known as a "pay-as-you-use" or "pay-per-use") describing a payment model or system in which users pay for goods or services as they are consumed, rather than paying for an entire service or product upfront
- v.* to sleep lightly or for a short period of time
- v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
- n.* a thin piece of wood, slate, or other material used as a roof covering or siding
- adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
- v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
- v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
- n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

ANSWERS: 220. minimize, 221. pay-as-you-go, 222. doze, 223. recognize, 224. shingle, 225. encouraging, 226. suffer, 227. roll, 228. mass

229. ro___y motion *adj.* relating to, revolving around, or characterized by rotation or a revolving motion
230. di_____e prevention *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
231. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
232. su_____ed economic growth *adj.* lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
233. gain pr_____al experience *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
234. enc_____ng sign *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
235. fl__t of foot *n.* a group of military ships, aircraft, etc., operating together under the same ownership; (adjective) moving very fast
236. con_____ive about production *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
237. burning ke_____ne *n.* a flammable, colorless, or pale yellow liquid derived from the distillation of petroleum, used as a fuel for lamps, stoves, and heaters
238. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

ANSWERS: 229. rotary, 230. disease, 231. incredible, 232. sustained, 233. practical, 234. encouraging, 235. fleet, 236. conservative, 237. kerosene, 238. identity

239. at___d a meeting *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
240. att_____ve opportunity *adj.* immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
241. re_____le subscriptions *adj.* capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
242. ca___n tour *n.* a large, natural underground space
243. notes of small den_____ion *n.* a religious group or branch, usually including many local churches; a value or size of a banknote, coin, or postage stamp
244. re_____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
245. 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
246. financial cr___s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
247. sc___e resources *adj.* not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain
248. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
249. pl___t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

ANSWERS: 239. attend, 240. attractive, 241. renewable, 242. cavern, 243. denomination, 244. release, 245. democracy, 246. crisis, 247. scarce, 248. nation, 249. planet

250. the m__h of an old religion *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
251. co____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
252. a c__l-fired ship *n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
253. the em____on of light *n.* the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
254. re____t the proposal *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
255. w__p a fish in foil *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
256. go____ll gesture *n.* a friendly or cooperative attitude or feeling between people, businesses, or nations; the reputation or value that a business, organization, or brand has in the community
257. b__k the trend *n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention
258. face inc____gly complicated challenges *adv.* more and more
259. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
260. 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

ANSWERS: 250. myth, 251. communal, 252. coal, 253. emission, 254. reject, 255. wrap, 256. goodwill, 257. buck, 258. increasingly, 259. communal, 260. electrify

261. cr___s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
262. the re_____e camp *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
263. 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
264. connecting the d_ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
265. ke_____ne stove *n.* a flammable, colorless, or pale yellow liquid derived from the distillation of petroleum, used as a fuel for lamps, stoves, and heaters
266. nice fe___w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
267. seem like a da_____ng task *adj.* looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something
268. r___y entirely on him *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

ANSWERS: 261. crisis, 262. refugee, 263. electrify, 264. dot, 265. kerosene, 266. fellow, 267. daunting, 268. rely

269. par_____ize the complex system *v.* to describe or represent something as a parameter (= a numerical or measurable factor that defines a system and determines its performance) or parameters
270. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
271. a mi_____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
272. su_____ed release medication *adj.* lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
273. ro____y tool *adj.* relating to, revolving around, or characterized by rotation or a revolving motion
274. a li_____l arts college *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
275. id_____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
276. periods of dr_____t *n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
277. bitter ir__y *n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect

ANSWERS: 269. parameterize, 270. government, 271. military, 272. sustained, 273. rotary, 274. liberal, 275. identify, 276. drought, 277. irony

278. g__f stream *n.* a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land
279. mi_____ze a loss *v.* to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious
280. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
281. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
282. fo_____nts in the snow *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
283. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
284. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
285. stylistically inn_____ve works *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
286. bo_____r field *n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion
287. es_____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
288. vi_____s deflationary spiral *adj.* having or showing a desire to cause harm to others; having the nature of vice
289. ra_____e in all directions *v.* to spread out or emit something, such as light or heat, in all directions
290. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
291. a letter of inv_____on *n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something

ANSWERS: 278. gulf, 279. minimize, 280. release, 281. industrious, 282. footprint, 283. absolutely, 284. locate, 285. innovative, 286. boulder, 287. essential, 288. vicious, 289. radiate, 290. industrious, 291. invitation

292. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
293. av__l you little *v.* to help or benefit; to use or take advantage of
294. inv_____on of foreign investment *n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
295. fr_____nt use *adj.* happening constantly
296. ba_____e with water *v.* to make someone officially a member of the Christian Church by baptism (= a form of Christian ritual purification)
297. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
298. super ty_____n *n.* a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean
299. an ab_____nt supply of water *adj.* present in great quantity
300. fill the fr_____e *n.* a piece of electrical equipment in which food can be stored at low temperatures so that it stays fresh
301. bear the br__t *n.* the force or impact of something, often used to describe the full force of an attack or criticism
302. be_____d tone *adj.* mildly puzzled or confused but also amused
303. w__p up a meeting *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

ANSWERS: 292. responsible, 293. avail, 294. invitation, 295. frequent, 296. baptize, 297. suppose, 298. typhoon, 299. abundant, 300. fridge, 301. brunt, 302. bemused, 303. wrap

304. bl____t scarf *n.* a large piece of soft material used to cover or wrap a person or thing to keep them warm; (adjective) broad in scope or content
305. f__t gate *n.* a military structure designed to be defended from attack
306. ou__o the competition *v.* to do better than someone; to surpass
307. a fl__t horse *n.* a group of military ships, aircraft, etc., operating together under the same ownership; (adjective) moving very fast
308. ba____r advertising *n.* a long strip of cloth or paper bearing a symbol, logo, slogan, or another message, especially carried in a demonstration or procession or hung in a public place; a form of the online advertisement appearing on a web page
309. fa__h in government *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
310. abs____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
311. develop in____e itching *adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
312. lo____e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
313. fi____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

ANSWERS: 304. blanket, 305. fort, 306. outdo, 307. fleet, 308. banner, 309. faith, 310. absolutely, 311. intense, 312. locate, 313. finance

314. before Ch___t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
315. steady in_____ntal growth *n.* a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important
316. re___t all imperfect merchandise *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
317. wi_____re spread *n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope
318. a corrupt pol_____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
319. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
320. small in_____nts *n.* a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important
321. doubling of atm_____ic carbon dioxide *adj.* about or located in the earth's atmosphere
322. sports pu___t *n.* an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue

ANSWERS: 314. Christ, 315. increment, 316. reject, 317. wildfire, 318. politician, 319. responsible, 320. increment, 321. atmospheric, 322. pundit

323. r_b shoulders *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
324. economic th___t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
325. ar__e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
326. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
327. teaching of Ch___t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
328. an isolated f__t *n.* a military structure designed to be defended from attack
329. extra b__k *n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention
330. ex___e for inaction *n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt

ANSWERS: 323. rub, 324. threat, 325. argue, 326. suppose, 327. Christ, 328. fort, 329. buck, 330. excuse

331. w__n a person from a bad habit *v.* to gradually stop feeding a baby or young animal with its mother's milk and to start or accustom to eating other food
332. pr_____ly affect adults *adv.* mainly
333. the cycle of po_____y *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
334. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
335. asphalt sh_____e *n.* a thin piece of wood, slate, or other material used as a roof covering or siding
336. severe cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
337. vi_____s attack *adj.* having or showing a desire to cause harm to others; having the nature of vice
338. be_____d audience *adj.* mildly puzzled or confused but also amused
339. the fo_____nts of an earlier civilization *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
340. a prodigious vi_____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
341. pr_____al English *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
342. se____e heat *adj.* extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous

ANSWERS: 331. wean, 332. primarily, 333. poverty, 334. conversation, 335. shingle, 336. critic, 337. vicious, 338. bemused, 339. footprint, 340. vision, 341. practical, 342. severe

343. junior fe___w

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

344. in_____e a feeling of curiosity

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

345. bureau of ge_____y

n. a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks

346. con_____te to society

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

ANSWERS: 343. fellow, 344. inspire, 345. geology, 346. contribute

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. That statement by the prime minister drew _____ international criticism.
adj. (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
2. _____ a number by itself twice.
v. to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
3. We _____ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.
v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
4. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.
adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
5. She left the _____ door open inadvertently.
n. a piece of electrical equipment in which food can be stored at low temperatures so that it stays fresh
6. I'm so sorry to _____ you when you're pretty busy.
v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
7. The community warmly welcomed the _____.
n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

ANSWERS: 1. intense, 2. Multiply, 3. estimated, 4. military, 5. fridge, 6. disrupt, 7. refugees

8. The country has _____ oil and natural gas resources.

adj. present in great quantity

9. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

10. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

11. We must _____ to this matter.

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

12. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

13. This device displayed the speech _____ spectrographically.

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

14. The political _____ provided analysis and commentary on the latest election results.

n. an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue

15. It's notoriously challenging to _____ birth rates.

v. to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

ANSWERS: 8. abundant, 9. responsible, 10. suffers, 11. attend, 12. Climate, 13. spectrum, 14. pundit, 15. predict

16. The stray _____ went through the window and hit the wall.
n. a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
17. She was an _____ without any belief in a higher power.
n. a person who denies or disbelieves the existence of a deity or deities
18. He _____ off in his chair while watching TV.
v. to sleep lightly or for a short period of time
19. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink _____ on a white surface.
n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
20. There are five distinct _____ at five unique wavelengths.
n. the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
21. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
22. The _____ scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector
n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
23. The stone _____ was built to protect the city from invading forces.
n. a military structure designed to be defended from attack
24. The new CEO was appointed to _____ their business.
v. to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization

ANSWERS: 16. bullet, 17. atheist, 18. dozed, 19. dots, 20. emissions, 21. threat, 22. fuel, 23. fort, 24. reorganize

25. We destroyed a _____ of 70 enemy ships.

- n.* a group of military ships, aircraft, etc., operating together under the same ownership; (adjective) moving very fast

26. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

- v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

27. I attempted to _____ him, but he ignored me.

- v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

28. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.

- v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

29. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

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

30. He pulled his waterproof _____ up to protect himself from the rain.

- n.* a covering for the head and neck, especially one attached to a garment

31. It's difficult to _____ an addict off drugs once they're hooked.

- v.* to gradually stop feeding a baby or young animal with its mother's milk and to start or accustom to eating other food

32. The _____ of the company is too high nowadays.

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

ANSWERS: 25. fleet, 26. rejected, 27. warn, 28. locate, 29. involves, 30. hood, 31. wean, 32. stake

33. All peaceful cooperation is based _____ on mutual trust.

adv. mainly

34. Hunters use a whistle that makes the ____ sound to lure stags.

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

35. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

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

36. Fresh water is becoming increasingly _____ in many parts of the world.

adj. not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain

37. Male gorillas with good drumming skills are more _____.

adj. capable of being done as intended; able to succeed

38. The food chain causes a material _____.

n. an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle

39. Their financing options are reasonable and easy to _____.

v. to help or benefit; to use or take advantage of

40. The ability to _____ people is a priceless asset.

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

41. The growth of the "sharing economy" is _____ for tech companies.

adj. immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable

ANSWERS: 33. primarily, 34. doe, 35. argue, 36. scarce, 37. viable, 38. cycle, 39. avail, 40. motivate, 41. attractive

42. We have to seek methods to _____ its fossil fuel economy.
- v.* to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy
43. The devastating _____ caused widespread damage and left many people homeless.
- n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
44. 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
45. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.
- n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
46. The sea surface temperature and _____ circulation are inextricably linked.
- adj.* about or located in the earth's atmosphere
47. The senator received _____ criticism from his opponent.
- adj.* extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous
48. He kept his robust _____ in his company.
- n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
49. I bought a gadget before my trip to help _____ stress during the flight.
- v.* to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious

ANSWERS: 42. decarbonize, 43. hurricane, 44. trap, 45. identity, 46. atmospheric, 47. severe, 48. faith, 49. minimize

50. He quickly fabricated an _____ for not attending the meeting.

- n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt

51. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.

- n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

52. His leg was in _____ for weeks after the accident.

- n.* the action or ability to pull something along a surface without sliding

53. The hikers had to climb over a _____ that was blocking their path.

- n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion

54. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

- adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

55. His friend's death drove him to _____.

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

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

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

57. Many families were forced to evacuate their homes due to the _____ severity.

- n.* a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean

ANSWERS: 50. excuse, 51. finance, 52. traction, 53. boulder, 54. absolutely, 55. despair, 56. nation, 57. typhoon's

58. A _____ was being dug alongside the road by workers.
- n.* a long, deep ditch made in the ground, usually parallel to a plate boundary and marking a subduction zone; a long ditch built in the ground for carrying away water
59. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
60. The electric _____ keeps me warm on cold nights.
- n.* a large piece of soft material used to cover or wrap a person or thing to keep them warm; (adjective) broad in scope or content
61. The production of _____ fuels requires massive volumes of fresh water.
- adj.* capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
62. All climate models apply the same physical laws, but the outcomes vary because they _____ phenomena like cloud formation differently.
- v.* to describe or represent something as a parameter (= a numerical or measurable factor that defines a system and determines its performance) or parameters
63. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.
- v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
64. In a democracy, it is necessary to monitor the judiciary to see if it is making _____ decisions.
- adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception

ANSWERS: 58. trench, 59. crisis, 60. blanket, 61. renewable, 62. parameterize, 63. contribute, 64. unfair

65. The CEO's _____ toward employees was apparent when he thanked every one of them.

- n.* a friendly or cooperative attitude or feeling between people, businesses, or nations; the reputation or value that a business, organization, or brand has in the community

66. She _____ the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.

- v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure

67. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.

- adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

68. The region has been experiencing a severe _____ leading to water shortages and crop failures.

- n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation

69. We combust _____ and other fossil fuels to generate electricity.

- n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat

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

- v.* to take the place of something

71. 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

72. I always put a _____ mark next to the items on my grocery list after buying them.

- n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis

ANSWERS: 65. goodwill, 66. rubbed, 67. industrious, 68. drought, 69. coal, 70. replace, 71. government, 72. tick

73. Many studies have investigated the relationship between _____ and academic achievement.

n. the condition of being extremely poor

74. _____ 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

75. The coffee producers in _____ countries are at the sharp end of fluctuations in price.

adj. of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert

76. He flashed a fistful of large _____ bills.

n. a religious group or branch, usually including many local churches; a value or size of a banknote, coin, or postage stamp

77. 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

78. It was the _____ of a dinosaur tooth.

n. any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock

79. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

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

80. The Prime Minister stressed the need to create _____ industries.

adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.

ANSWERS: 73. poverty, 74. Democracy, 75. sub-Saharan, 76. denomination, 77. irony, 78. fossil, 79. president, 80. innovative

81. 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
82. The _____ strong winds and rough seas severely impacted the fishing industry.
- n.* a violent, rotating windstorm that forms over tropical waters and can cause extensive damage to coastal regions, also known as a hurricane or typhoon, depending on the region in which it occurs
83. A _____ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.
- n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
84. I always wear _____ when I go outside, even in the summer.
- n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
85. I spotted a majestic _____ with large antlers standing at the forest's edge.
- n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention
86. 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

ANSWERS: 81. economy, 82. cyclone's, 83. panel, 84. pants, 85. buck, 86. communicate

87. The _____ engine is known for its smooth and efficient operation.

adj. relating to, revolving around, or characterized by rotation or a revolving motion

88. The _____ lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

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

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

90. He tried to _____ his rival by breaking the world record.

v. to do better than someone; to surpass

91. Four companies were amalgamated into a single _____.

n. a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

92. The _____ dog barked and growled at anyone who came near its territory.

adj. having or showing a desire to cause harm to others; having the nature of vice

93. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

94. Please refrigerate the meat, or it will _____.

v. to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually

ANSWERS: 87. rotary, 88. politician, 89. statistics, 90. outdo, 91. corporation, 92. vicious, 93. argument, 94. rot

95. Our company found it _____ difficult to keep up with the competition.
adv. more and more
96. The _____ lights in the room created a warm and inviting atmosphere.
adj. emitting light as a result of being heated; shining brightly; passionate or enthusiastic
97. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
98. My mother always used a mercury _____ to check our temperature when we were sick.
n. a device used to measure temperature, typically consisting of a glass or plastic tube containing a column of liquid, such as mercury, that rises and falls with changes in temperature
99. He was exhausted and _____ into bed as soon as he got home.
v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
100. I will be very happy to accept your _____.
n. a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
101. He is the kind of _____ who only works for his success.
adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
102. The class was composed of both _____ and graduate students.
n. a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution

ANSWERS: 95. increasingly, 96. incandescent, 97. mass, 98. thermometer, 99. rolled, 100. invitation, 101. fellow, 102. undergraduate

103. Is this painting _____ or forged?

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

104. We hit the ground to _____ out the rabbits.

v. to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

105. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

106. Public _____ is an essential service for many cities.

n. the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation

107. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.

adj. having good luck or lucky

108. The roofer installed new _____ on the roof to replace the old and worn-out ones.

n. a thin piece of wood, slate, or other material used as a roof covering or siding

109. The lamp in the cabin burned _____ for light.

n. a flammable, colorless, or pale yellow liquid derived from the distillation of petroleum, used as a fuel for lamps, stoves, and heaters

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

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

111. I prefer to use _____ cellphone plans to control my monthly expenses.

adj. (also known as a "pay-as-you-use" or "pay-per-use") describing a payment model or system in which users pay for goods or services as they are consumed, rather than paying for an entire service or product upfront

ANSWERS: 103. genuine, 104. scare, 105. Communal, 106. transit, 107. fortunate, 108. shingles, 109. kerosene, 110. identify, 111. pay-as-you-go

112. His estate was _____ to his sons.

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

113. The _____ of Mexico is a body of water in the southern United States.

- n.* a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land

114. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

115. He was a successful _____ and had much experience in the field.

- n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive

116. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.

- adj.* indispensable; fundamental

117. The _____ forecast for the weekend is for heavy rain.

- n.* moisture that condenses from the atmosphere and falls to the earth in the form of rain, snow, sleet, or hail; an unexpected acceleration or hastening

118. Sales of the product _____ after the negative reviews were published.

- v.* to fall or sink suddenly, often due to loss of support or stability; to decline or decrease abruptly, as in business or economic conditions; to become despondent or dispirited; (noun) a sudden or prolonged decline or drop in value, price, or quality

119. He was a visiting _____ professor at the University of Tokyo.

- n.* a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks

ANSWERS: 112. distributed, 113. Gulf, 114. conversation, 115. businessperson, 116. essential, 117. precipitation, 118. slumped, 119. geology

120. The explorer discovered a large _____ deep underground.

n. a large, natural underground space

121. Trees absorb _____ dioxide and give off oxygen.

n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

122. The heat wave _____ the drought conditions.

v. to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse

123. Her concept is highly _____ and helpful.

adj. of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas

124. The unemployment rate in the first _____ was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

125. 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.

126. As a _____ he felt his money was wasted on unnecessary government projects.

n. a person who pays taxes to the government

127. They unfurled the _____ in preparation for the ceremony.

n. a long strip of cloth or paper bearing a symbol, logo, slogan, or another message, especially carried in a demonstration or procession or hung in a public place; a form of the online advertisement appearing on a web page

ANSWERS: 120. cavern, 121. carbon, 122. exacerbated, 123. practical, 124. quarter, 125. rely, 126. taxpayer, 127. banners

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

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

129. The test results were _____ and showed improvement.

adj. giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring

130. The priest _____ my father on his deathbed.

v. to make someone officially a member of the Christian Church by baptism (= a form of Christian ritual purification)

131. Institutional _____ refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.

n. someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

132. He was _____ by the strange behavior of the clown.

adj. mildly puzzled or confused but also amused

133. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

134. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

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

135. They carefully executed the well-planned _____ they had prepared over the years.

n. an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something

ANSWERS: 128. disease, 129. encouraging, 130. baptized, 131. investors, 132. bemused, 133. invest, 134. critics, 135. scheme

136. Several _____ show a decline in the president's approval rating.

n. an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election

137. The company experienced _____ growth over the past decade.

adj. lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense

138. _____ the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

139. 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

140. His heartaches are less _____ now.

adj. happening constantly

141. My homework was _____ and complex, but it was also intriguing.

adj. looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something

142. Our law firm also focuses on _____ activities.

adj. not established for commercial profit

143. The _____ on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.

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

ANSWERS: 136. polls, 137. sustained, 138. Wrap, 139. planet, 140. frequent, 141. daunting, 142. nonprofit, 143. church

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

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

145. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.

- n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

146. The _____ destroyed hundreds of homes and forced thousands of people to evacuate.

- n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope

147. He is _____ in his thoughts.

- adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded

148. Laughing is _____ to our health.

- adj.* helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being

149. The nations of South East Asia will quickly _____ and catch up with the West.

- v.* to organize the production of something into an industry

150. The bid _____ for this auction is \$100.

- n.* a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important

151. Roads _____ from the famous building in the center of the city.

- v.* to spread out or emit something, such as light or heat, in all directions

ANSWERS: 144. recognize, 145. vision, 146. wildfire, 147. liberal, 148. beneficial, 149. industrialize, 150. increment, 151. radiate

152. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?
v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
153. Racial equality is an integral part of democratic _____.
n. a set of beliefs or philosophies that an economic or political system is based on
154. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
155. Relations between the two countries have been relatively _____ due to the summit meeting.
adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
156. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.
v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement
157. Hounds _____ their prey by using their keen scent.
v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
158. _____ is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.
n. the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
159. The _____ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.
adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
160. The family decided to _____ in the mountains to enjoy the beautiful scenery.
n. a long walk or journey, especially for pleasure or exercise; an increase in cost

ANSWERS: 152. suppose, 153. ideology, 154. inspired, 155. stable, 156. release, 157. hunt, 158. Christmas, 159. giant, 160. hike

161. The _____ of the storm hit the coastal towns the hardest.

n. the force or impact of something, often used to describe the full force of an attack or criticism

162. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

163. He always makes a _____ estimation when predicting future sales.

adj. holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

164. With the financial bubble bursting, the _____ of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

165. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

166. The _____ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

n. a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

167. The light _____ has burned out.

n. a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball

168. These heavy rains caused flash _____ on several islands.

n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

ANSWERS: 161. brunt, 162. Technological, 163. conservative, 164. myth, 165. incredible, 166. chain, 167. bulb, 168. floods

169. Her research team made an important _____.

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

170. 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

171. Everyone was aware of the impending _____ but was unable to prevent it.

- n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

172. 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

173. We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon _____.

- n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

ANSWERS: 169. discovery, 170. colleague, 171. doom, 172. electrify, 173. footprint