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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### thrum

v. to produce a continuous, low, monotonous sound, often with a vibrating or humming quality; (noun) a continuous rhythmic humming or drumming sound

*synonym*: vibrate, pulse, buzz

(1) **thrum** nervously, (2) the **thrum** of the engine

The rain began to **thrum** on the roof, providing a steady rhythm that soothed me to sleep.

### enrage

v. to make someone extremely angry

*synonym*: anger, incense, infuriate

(1) **enrage** the international community, (2) **enrage** critics

The news of the betrayal **enraged** him.

### exaggeration

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

*synonym*: hyperbole, overstatement, embellishment

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

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

### misrepresent

v. to present a false or misleading interpretation or impression of something or someone

*synonym*: distort, misinterpret, falsify

(1) **misrepresent** a company's policies, (2) **misrepresent** the situation

The article **misrepresents** the true intentions of the author's argument.

### likable

*adj.* having qualities that make a person or thing well-liked or attractive; pleasant, friendly, or enjoyable

*synonym* : sympathetic, appealing, charming

(1) **likable** personality, (2) a **likable** character

He's a very **likable** person who makes friends easily.

### emotion

*n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

*synonym* : feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**

Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

### entirely

*adv.* completely

*synonym* : completely, fully, totally

(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame

Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

### unvoiced

*adj.* not spoken aloud or expressed verbally; tacit or silent in communication or expression

*synonym* : silent, unspoken, mute

(1) **unvoiced** whisper, (2) **unvoiced** speech

The **unvoiced** consonant in the word "knock" is the "k" sound.

### veranda

*n.* a roofed platform along the outside of a building, typically furnished and used as a sitting area; a porch or balcony

*synonym* : porch, balcony, terrace

(1) **veranda** seating, (2) traditional **veranda** design

The couple enjoyed their coffee on the **veranda** while watching the sunset.

## **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.

## **stack**

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

*synonym* : accumulation, heap, pile

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

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

## **dumbfound**

*v.* to surprise and confuse someone to the point of being unable to speak

*synonym* : perplex, confuse, bewilder

(1) **dumbfound** boxing fans, (2) **dumbfound** with its ability

The magician's tricks **dumbfounded** the audience.

## **humid**

*adj.* having a high amount of moisture or water vapor in the air; damp; muggy

*synonym* : damp, muggy, moist

(1) **humid** climate, (2) uncomfortably **humid**

The air was so **humid** that my clothes felt damp.

## **shatter**

*v.* to break suddenly into many pieces

*synonym* : break, crash, destroy

(1) **shatter** the plate, (2) **shatter** a world record

Her husband's death **shattered** her life entirely.

## **cheerful**

*adj.* happy and positive; causing feelings of happiness or optimism; marked by or expressing joy or optimism

*synonym* : happy, joyful, lively

(1) **cheerful** smile, (2) a **cheerful** disposition

Her **cheerful** personality brightened up the room.

## incident

*n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

*synonym* : event, occurrence, accident

(1) traffic **incident**, (2) security **incident**

The **incident** at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

## silent

*adj.* without any or little sound

*synonym* : quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

## isolate

*v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things

*synonym* : separate, sequester, insulate

(1) **isolate** a compound, (2) **isolate** a patient

You should not **isolate** them from the community.

## destructive

*adj.* causing or able to cause tremendous and irreparable damage

*synonym* : destroying, harmful, disastrous

(1) lead to **destructive** behavior, (2) a habit **destructive** to health

It was the most **destructive** storm in decades.

## frightening

*adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming

*synonym* : scary, terrifying, alarming

(1) cast **frightening** eyes, (2) **frightening** experience

The news of the pandemic was a **frightening** reminder of the fragility of human health.

## 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.

## indignity

*n.* an affront to one's dignity or self-respect; an insult or humiliating treatment

*synonym*: humiliation, insult, offense

(1) **indignity** of poverty, (2) suffer an **indignity**

Being demoted at work was a great **indignity** to him.

## 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.

## insult

*n.* a remark or action that causes offense or disrespect; (verb) to treat, mention, or speak to rudely

*synonym*: affront, slight, offense

(1) an intentional **insult**, (2) **insult** each other

His **insult** toward her was unacceptable and resulted in his being fired.

## moral

*adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

*synonym*: honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

## property

*n.* a thing or things that belong to someone

*synonym*: belongings, possessions, equity

(1) a man of **property**, (2) chemical **property**

He stood to inherit a million-dollar **property**.

## 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.

## criminal

*n.* a person who has committed a crime  
*synonym*: offender, lawbreaker, delinquent

(1) wanted **criminal**, (2) **criminal** investigation  
The police are searching for the **criminal** who stole the jewels.

## civic

*adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it  
*synonym*: community, civic, communal

(1) **civic** activity, (2) **civic** center  
The city promotes **civic** collaboration in community development

## virtue

*n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes  
*synonym*: integrity, probity, goodness

(1) **virtue** of frugality, (2) acquire a **virtue**  
She had many good **virtues** and few faults.

## regardless

*adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

*synonym*: anyhow, nevertheless, still

(1) **regardless** of the difficulties, (2) **regardless** tread  
People can pick out superior products **regardless** of the quality of the advertising.

## gender

*n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

*synonym*: sexuality

(1) **gender-blind** policies, (2) dual **gender**  
Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

## disdain

*v.* to look down on

*synonym* : scorn, despise, ridicule

(1) **disdain** the offer of a bribe, (2) **disdain** the policemen  
Even in the Middle Ages, people **disdained** forced labor.

## sever

*v.* to break or separate something by cutting, especially suddenly and forcibly

*synonym* : cut apart, separate, detach

(1) **sever** a rope, (2) **sever** a positive relationship  
He **severed** a branch from a tree quickly.

## feminine

*adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women

*synonym* : womanly, womanlike, femalelike

(1) add a **feminine** touch, (2) the sacred **feminine**  
The dress mixes sophisticated lines with an appealing floral design for a classically **feminine** style.

## injustice

*n.* a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society

*synonym* : unfairness, bias, discrimination

(1) gross **injustice**, (2) **injustice** system

The **injustice** of the court's decision angered many people and led to protests.

## develop

*v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

*synonym* : evolve, progress, advance

(1) **develop** a strategy, (2) **develop** a skill

We must **develop** a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

## emotional

*adj.* relating to people's feelings

*synonym* : affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

## competence

*n.* the ability to do something well or efficiently; the knowledge, skill, and ability required to perform a task or job effectively

*synonym* : ability, proficiency, skill

(1) **competence** evaluation, (2) proven **competence**

The company is looking for candidates with the necessary **competence** and skills.

## remarkable

*adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special

*synonym* : outstanding, exceptional, extraordinary

(1) **remarkable** achievement, (2) the **remarkable** breadth of knowledge

The election was a **remarkable** success for the Whigs.

## binary

*n.* a system of numbers that uses only two digits, 0 and 1

*synonym* : twofold, double

(1) a **binary** number, (2) trading in **binary** options

A **binary** star is a system in which two stars revolve around each other.

## opposition

*n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

*synonym* : resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

## absurd

*adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical

*synonym* : ridiculous, foolish, idiotic

(1) **absurd** storyline, (2) an **absurd** amount of money

We immediately rejected his **absurd** suggestion.



## rigid

*adj.* extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending

*synonym* : strict, inflexible, stringent

(1) **rigid** rules, (2) **rigid** structure

He was unpopular because of his **rigid** adherence to the rules.

## norm

*n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

*synonym* : criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

## masculinity

*n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with men, such as physical strength, courage, assertiveness, and so on; the state of being male or manly

*synonym* : manliness, virility, machismo

(1) **masculinity** norms, (2) toxic **masculinity**

Research has shown that rigid ideas of **masculinity** can contribute to domestic violence and other forms of abuse.

## renounce

*v.* to formally declare one's abandonment or rejection of something, especially a belief, claim, or right; to give up or relinquish a particular status, title, or position

*synonym* : abandon, reject, relinquish

(1) **renounce** a claim, (2) **renounce** citizenship

He **renounced** his title and lived a simpler life as a farmer.

## embrace

*v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;  
(*noun*) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

*synonym* : grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**

The woods **embrace** the house.

## aggression

*n.* the act of attacking or assaulting; hostile or violent behavior

*synonym* : hostility, assertiveness, antagonism

(1) **aggression** by a hostile country, (2) naked **aggression**  
The dog's **aggression** made it difficult for its owners to take it for a walk.

## deferential

*adj.* showing or expressing respect or obedience; yielding to someone else's opinions or judgment

*synonym* : respectful, submissive, obedient

(1) **deferential** attitude, (2) **deferential** language

The new employee was **deferential** and respectful towards his superiors.

## incompatible

*adj.* so different as to not be able to exist or work with another thing or person

*synonym* : inharmonious, conflicting, inconsistent

(1) **incompatible** personalities, (2) **incompatible** colors

It is a religion **incompatible** with the western country.

## deference

*n.* respectful or polite submission or yielding to the judgment, opinion, or wishes of another person or group; a show of respect or honor

*synonym* : respect, obedience, submission

(1) **deference** to authority, (2) pay **deference**

The student showed **deference** to their teacher by always being respectful in class.

## tame

*v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training

*synonym* : domesticate, soften, (adjective) harmless

(1) **tame** a wild beast, (2) a **tame** animal

We have to **tame** substantial financial deficits at first.

## tongue

*n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language

*synonym* : lingo, language, vocabulary

(1) native **tongue**, (2) **tongue** cancer

The **tongue** is boneless, but it is as strong as bones.

## swallow

v. to make food, drink, pills, etc., pass down your throat into your stomach; (noun) small long-winged songbird noted for swift, graceful flight and the regularity of its migrations

*synonym*: consume, gulp, inhale

(1) **swallow** a handful of pills, (2) a **swallow** tail

I **swallowed** my anger and kept quiet.

## pride

n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

*synonym*: vanity, conceit, egotism

(1) **pride** of a company, (2) hide his **pride**

She took great **pride** in her work, always striving for perfection.

## imminent

adj. coming or likely to happen very soon

*synonym*: looming, coming, impending

(1) **imminent** danger, (2) **imminent** arrest

This country was long faced with **imminent** peril.

## tale

n. a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

*synonym*: canard, fiction, fable

(1) a fairy **tale**, (2) **tale** of horror

Ghosts in folk **tales** are almost always malicious.

## bifurcate

v. to divide or split into two branches or parts

*synonym*: branch, fork, divide

(1) **bifurcate** at the top of the mountain, (2) **bifurcate** into two separate tracks

The river **bifurcates** ahead, so we must decide which branch to take.

## spoil

*v.* to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad

*synonym* : rot, decay, deteriorate

(1) **spoil** a person's sport, (2) **spoil** the surprise

If you leave the milk out of the refrigerator for too long, it will **spoil**.

## princess

*n.* the daughter of a monarch; the wife or widow of a prince; woman or girl considered to be particularly good or admirable

*synonym* : royal, noble, queen

(1) crown **princess**, (2) a Royal **Princess**

The prince fell in love with the **princess** and asked her to marry him.

## hormone

*n.* a chemical substance made by organs that encourages or influences the development, growth, sex, etc., of an animal and is carried around the body in the blood

(1) **hormone** secretion, (2) female **hormone**

The doctor diagnosed me with a **hormone** disorder.

## maintenance

*n.* the act or process of keeping something, either artificial materials or living things, in good condition; the money needed for a person's or family's living expenses

*synonym* : care, perpetuation, support

(1) the **maintenance** of the car, (2) **maintenance** work

We have decided to extend our **maintenance** contract until next year.

## shrill

*adj.* high-pitched and piercing in sound; loud, sharp, and harsh

*synonym* : piercing, screeching, high-pitched

(1) make a **shrill** noise, (2) **shrill** cry

The **shrill** sound of the whistle startled the entire crowd.

## ugly

*adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at

*synonym* : unattractive, unsightly, repulsive

(1) an **ugly** sound, (2) **ugly** building

The **ugly** truth was that he had been lying to her for months.

## nag

v. to annoy or irritate someone persistently with repeated complaints, requests, or criticism; (noun) an old or over-worked horse

*synonym*: hassle, bother, badger

(1) **nag** about the minor thing, (2) **nag** political leaders

She couldn't stop **nagging** her husband to take out the trash.

## flavor

n. the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth

*synonym*: taste, savor, essence

(1) a delicate **flavor**, (2) **flavor** enhancer

The **flavor** of the coffee was rich and full-bodied.

## spicy

adj. having a strong, pungent flavor or aroma, typically as a result of containing spices; exciting or thrilling

*synonym*: hot, fiery, piquant

(1) **spicy** appetizer, (2) **spicy** story

She added **spicy** peppers to the dish.

## mad

adj. insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

*synonym*: crazy, insane, furious

(1) a **mad** person, (2) gets **mad** easily

He was **mad** with joy to see the results.

## crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

*synonym*: insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

## convey

v. to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another

*synonym*: communicate, transfer, deliver

(1) **convey** a complex idea, (2) **convey** goods by truck  
An ironic remark often **conveys** an intended meaning obliquely.

## arena

*n.* a large, flat area, often circular or oval-shaped, designed to showcase theatre, musical performances, or sporting events

*synonym*: stadium, theatre, auditorium

(1) indoor **arena**, (2) political **arena**

The company is planning to build a 20,000-seat **arena** with a retractable roof.

## confirm

*v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

*synonym*: affirm, verify, assure

(1) **confirm** the diagnosis, (2) **confirm** a transaction

Please write to **confirm** your reservation.

## confound

*v.* to confuse or perplex; to mix up or throw into disorder; to prove to be false or illogical

*synonym*: confuse, mix up, perplex

(1) **confound** right and wrong, (2) **confound** the problem

The unexpected events **confounded** the scientists, who had to rethink their hypothesis.

## reward

*n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

*synonym*: compensation, gratuity, bonus

(1) the **reward** for good works, (2) shopping **rewards** cards

Night fishing has a lot of **rewards**.

## display

*v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value

*synonym*: show, exhibit, present

(1) **display** merchandise, (2) **display** artwork

We need to **display** our products in an attractive way to attract customers.

## enormous

*adj.* extremely large or great

*synonym* : huge, giant, gigantic

(1) **enormous** amount, (2) **enormous** potential

Shakespeare's output of poetry was **enormous**.

## disadvantage

*n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position

*synonym* : detriment, drawback, (verb) disfavor

(1) the **disadvantage** of a plan, (2) **disadvantage** small businesses

A lack of education can be a significant **disadvantage** in today's job market.

## defend

*v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

*synonym* : protect, guard, support

(1) **defend** my country, (2) **defend** against a threat

International law allows each nation to **defend** itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.

## threaten

*v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

*synonym* : endanger, terrorize, intimidate

(1) **threaten** a healthy relationship, (2) **threaten** national security

Various artificially induced causes are **threatening** our ecosystem.

## harass

*v.* to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention

*synonym* : pester, annoy, bother

(1) **harass** the enemy, (2) **harass** with constant criticism

She was constantly **harassed** by her ex-boyfriend and had to get a restraining order.

## predatory

*adj.* living by eating other animals, especially by catching prey that is still alive

*synonym* : raptorial, hunting, greedy

(1) a **predatory** bird, (2) **predatory** warfare

The domesticated cat still has its **predatory** instincts.

## employer

*n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them

*synonym* : boss, owner, company

(1) illegal **employer**, (2) **employer** responsibility

An **employer's** attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.

## racist

*adj.* characterized by or showing discrimination or prejudice against people of other races; (noun) a person with a prejudiced belief that one racial group is superior to others

*synonym* : discriminatory, prejudiced, bigoted

(1) far-right **racist**, (2) **racist** attitudes

The **racist** comments made by the politician caused widespread condemnation.

## brain

*n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

*synonym* : intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

## scream

*v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

*synonym* : cry, shout, yell

(1) **scream** a profanity, (2) **scream** at him to be quiet

She kept **screaming** for an ambulance.



## conflicting

*adj.* incompatible or inconsistent with something else; in disagreement

*synonym* : incompatible, inconsistent, contradictory

(1) a lot of **conflicting** information, (2) make **conflicting** allegations

The witness's testimony was **conflicting** with the evidence found at the scene.

## tangle

*n.* a confused mass of something twisted together

*synonym* : knot, snarl, entanglement

(1) in a **tangle**, (2) **tangle** wires

The cords behind my computer were a **tangled** mess.

## anxiety

*n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future

*synonym* : concern, dread, agita

(1) diagnosis of **anxiety** disorder, (2) **anxiety** for knowledge  
She waited for her daughter with **anxiety**.

## retaliation

*n.* the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act

*synonym* : retribution, revenge, vengeance

(1) **retaliation** tactics, (2) **retaliation** against discrimination

The company faced heavy **retaliation** from its competitors after releasing a controversial product.

## violent

*adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

*synonym* : aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

## mockery

*n.* the act of ridiculing or making fun of someone or something, often in a contemptuous or mocking manner

*synonym* : ridicule, derision, taunt

(1) **mockery** of the situation, (2) public **mockery**

The comedian's **mockery** of the recent political scandal drew laughs from the crowd.

## margin

*n.* the space around the edge of a page or document;  
(finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

*synonym* : edge, border, periphery

(1) **margin** error, (2) a profit **margin**

Unfortunately, the book's **margin** was too small to make notes.

## 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.

## 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.

## dire

*adj.* extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous

*synonym* : serious, critical, desperate

(1) suffer **dire** poverty, (2) **dire** situation

The **dire** economic straits called for immediate action.

## consequence

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

*synonym* : result, impact, outcome

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

argument

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

## reproduce

*v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process

*synonym* : duplicate, breed, imitate

(1) **reproduce** the painting, (2) **reproduce** by myself

By dividing and creating copies of themselves, bacteria **reproduce**.

## bold

*adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

*synonym* : brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

## blunt

*adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive

*synonym* : dull, obtuse, insensitive

(1) **blunt** criticism, (2) **blunt** force

The **blunt** knife made it difficult to cut through the tough steak.

## banal

*adj.* lacking originality, creativity, or freshness; uninteresting or dull due to being overused or overly familiar

*synonym* : trite, mundane, dull

(1) **banal** conversation, (2) **banal** plot

The restaurant's menu had a **banal** selection of generic dishes with no unique or exciting options.

## preschool

*adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time

*synonym* : nursery, kindergarten, daycare

(1) **preschool** education, (2) during **preschool** years  
My old school's **preschool** program was well-regarded and had an excellent reputation.

## elaborate

*adj.* containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts

*synonym*: detailed, intricate, complicated

(1) an **elaborate** hat, (2) **elaborate** Ponzi scheme  
He proposed an **elaborate** program of public works.

## castle

*n.* a large building, typically of the medieval period, fortified against attack with thick walls, battlements, towers, and often a moat

*synonym*: fortress, palace, citadel

(1) the ruins of a **castle**, (2) **castle** moat

The medieval **castle** was surrounded by a moat and had high walls for protection.

## ribbon

*n.* a long, narrow strip or band of fabric, often used for decoration or tying things together; a symbol or badge representing a particular honor or award

*synonym*: band, strip, sash

(1) silk **ribbon**, (2) pink **ribbon** campaign

She tied the **ribbon** around the gift box to make it look pretty.

## glee

*n.* a feeling of great happiness, joy, or pleasure, often accompanied by laughter or exuberance; a sense of delighted satisfaction from a positive result or accomplishment

*synonym*: delight, happiness, joy

(1) jumping for **glee**, (2) **glee** club

The children's faces were filled with **glee** as they ran around the playground.

## intervene

*v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse

*synonym*: interfere, mediate, intercede

(1) **intervene** in a dispute, (2) **intervene** between quarreling parties

Following international law, our country does not **intervene** in the internal affairs of our neighbors.

## platitude

*n.* a trite or overused remark or statement that is lacking in originality or insight often used to express a general truth or sentiment; an empty or insincere remark that is meant to sound comforting or supportive

*synonym* : cliché, truism, banality

(1) clichéd **platitude**, (2) utter **platitude**

The philosopher's speech was filled with **platitudes** and lacked any real substance.

## afterward

*adv.* after the time mentioned

*synonym* : later, thereafter, following

(1) a few years **afterward**, (2) go there **afterward**

We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem **afterward**.

## tempting

*adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

*synonym* : alluring, attractive, inviting

(1) **tempting** offer, (2) sound very **tempting**

The chocolate cake was too **tempting** for me to resist.

## preempt

*v.* to act in advance to prevent something or to replace it with something else

*synonym* : forestall, head off, anticipate

(1) **preempt** a financial crisis, (2) **preempt** trouble

The government **preempted** the release of sensitive information.

## gentle

*adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

*synonym* : mild, delicate, soft

(1) in a **gentle** voice, (2) **gentle** downward slope  
Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

## mutual

*adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties

*synonym*: shared, common, joint

(1) share of a **mutual** fund, (2) **mutual** efforts

They cooperated for their **mutual** benefit.

## construct

*v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

*synonym*: build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

## entitle

*v.* to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something

*synonym*: allow, permit, enable

(1) **entitle** him to a pension, (2) **entitle** the company to use the logo

The employee was **entitled** to a week of vacation time.

## rampant

*adj.* (especially of something bad or unwelcome) flourishing or spreading everywhere in a way that cannot be controlled

*synonym*: prevalent, dense, uncontrolled

(1) **rampant** growth of weeds, (2) **rampant** corruption

In an overly protective industry, violations of the ethics rules tend to be **rampant**.

## environment

*n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

*synonym*: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

## uptake

*n.* the rate or amount of something that is taken in or used by a particular system or organism; the process of taking food into the body through the mouth by eating

*synonym* : absorption, incorporation, intake

(1) **uptake** rate, (2) **uptake** of calcium

The **uptake** of the new technology was slower than expected.

## resolve

*v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty

*synonym* : decide, determine, fix

(1) **resolve** a dispute, (2) **resolve** the computer error

This company **resolves** its battery problem completely.

## deserve

*v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

*synonym* : merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize

The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

## microcosm

*n.* a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale

*synonym* : miniature, tiny world, little universe

(1) soil **microcosm**, (2) environmental **microcosm**

The small town felt like a **microcosm** of the larger society.

## cult

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

*synonym* : sect, faith, religion

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

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

## preference

*n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person

*synonym* : taste, choice, affection

(1) his meal **preferences**, (2) a particular **preference** for Chinese art

Her **preference** is comfortable clothing over fashionable ones.

## privilege

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

*synonym* : benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership  
In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

## 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.

## 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.

## intensify

*v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength

*synonym* : amplify, boost, strengthen

(1) **intensify** diplomatic efforts, (2) **intensify** a good relationship

Rebels have pledged to **intensify** the armed struggle against the dictatorship.



## **ruminate**

*v.* to think deeply about something; to ponder

*synonym* : ponder, meditate, contemplate

(1) **ruminate** about the past, (2) **ruminate** over a problem

After a long work day, she likes to **ruminate** on her accomplishments and plan for the next day.

## **mull**

*v.* to think over carefully; to consider or ponder; to mix or stir thoroughly

*synonym* : ponder, contemplate, meditate

(1) **mull** ways to retaliate, (2) **mull** a decision

I need to **mull** over the job offer before making a decision.

## **palatable**

*adj.* having a pleasant or acceptable taste; pleasing or agreeable to the mind or senses; easily tolerated or accepted

*synonym* : delicious, tasty, flavorful

(1) **palatable** food, (2) **palatable** solution

I'm usually a picky eater, but the seafood at this restaurant was surprisingly **palatable**.

## **awareness**

*n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important

*synonym* : understanding, cognition, knowledge

(1) **awareness** of my ignorance, (2) raise public **awareness**

There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental **awareness**.

## **precarity**

*n.* the state of being uncertain or precarious, especially about work or income; a condition of existence characterized by the absence or constant threat of basic security, such as financial stability, physical safety, or access to healthcare

*synonym* : uncertainty, insecurity, instability

(1) **precarity** index, (2) global **precarity**

Low-paid workers in the hospitality industry often find themselves in a state of financial **precarity**.

## rage

*n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence

*synonym* : fury, anger, outrage

(1) uncontrollable **rage**, (2) fall into a **rage**

She was filled with a burning **rage** at the injustice she had witnessed.

## 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.

## frustrate

*v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

*synonym* : hinder, thwart, dishearten

(1) **frustrate** the advancement, (2) **frustrate** other team members

The coach explained a strategy to **frustrate** the opponent's schemes to the players.

## objectify

*v.* to treat or represent someone or something as an object, without regard for their dignity or worth; to view or depict someone as a mere physical entity rather than as a complex person with feelings, thoughts, and desires

*synonym* : treat as an object, dehumanize, depersonalize

(1) **objectify** the individual, (2) sexually **objectify**

The media tends to **objectify** women by focusing on their physical appearance rather than accomplishments.

## 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.

## physiological

*adj.* relating to the normal functioning of living organisms and their organs and systems; concerning the physical or biochemical processes and activities that occur within the body

*synonym* : biological, organic, bodily

(1) **physiological** response, (2) **physiological** activity

The doctor explained the various **physiological** changes that occur during pregnancy.

## indicate

*v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly

*synonym* : hint, suggest, show

(1) **indicate** a preference, (2) **indicate** an error

The data **indicates** that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.

## imply

*v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it

*synonym* : hint, indicate, denote

(1) **imply** a strong correlation, (2) **imply** the presence of alien

The salespeople speak in technical terms to **imply** that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.

## array

*n.* a large group or collection of things or people, especially one that is impressive or attractive

*synonym* : collection, display, batch

(1) a two-dimensional **array**, (2) an **array** of troops

The customer on the Internet has to choose one from a formidable **array** of products.

## casual

*adj.* relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness

*synonym* : informal, relaxed, offhand

(1) **casual** dress, (2) take a **casual** glance

They had a **casual** conversation over coffee at the local cafe.

## dismiss

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

*synonym* : decline, disband, dissolve

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

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

## chronic

*adj.* being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual

*synonym* : established, regular, constant

(1) risk of **chronic** disease, (2) **chronic** alcohol consumption

**Chronic** hyperglycemia is a trigger for a variety of serious diseases.

## autoimmune

*adj.* relating to a condition in which the body's immune system attacks and destroys healthy body tissue, mistaking it for harmful foreign substances

(1) insulin **autoimmune** syndrome, (2) **autoimmune** disorder

The presence of certain substances triggered the **autoimmune** response.

## disorder

*n.* an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions

*synonym* : chaos, disturbance, disease

(1) the files are in complete **disorder**, (2) people with bipolar **disorder**

The doctor prescribed some medicine for the mental

**disorder.**

**distress**

*n.* a feeling of great worry, sadness, pain, or discomfort  
*synonym* : discomfort, despair, misery

(1) a signal of **distress**, (2) emotional **distress**

She has been in great **distress** since she was heartbroken.

**depression**

*n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

*synonym* : recession, slump, despair

(1) the Great **Depression**, (2) the root problem of her **depression**

**Depression** symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.

**immune**

*adj.* protected against a particular disease or toxin due to the presence of specific antibodies or sensitized white blood cells

*synonym* : resistant, unsusceptible, unaffected

(1) **immune** from criminal prosecution, (2) the cell of the **immune** system

The vaccination does not necessarily make you completely **immune**.

**cardiovascular**

*adj.* of or relating to the heart and blood vessels (= tubes that carry blood around the body)

(1) **cardiovascular** diseases, (2) **cardiovascular** tissue

Smoking places you at severe risk of **cardiovascular** and respiratory disease.

**mortality**

*n.* the quality or state of being subject to death

*synonym* : fatality

(1) **mortality** due to cancer, (2) lower infant **mortality**

This disease has a high **mortality**.

## cancer

*n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

*synonym* : tumor, carcinoma, malignancy

(1) **cancer** diagnosis, (2) **cancer** research

Breast **cancer** is the most common type of cancer in women.

## discomfort

*n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain

*synonym* : affliction, despair, ache

(1) endure **discomfort** and pain, (2) **discomfort** in the abdomen

He felt no **discomfort** as the dentist drilled his deadened tooth.

## conflict

*n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

*synonym* : clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

## comfort

*n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

*synonym* : ease, solace, coziness

(1) words of **comfort**, (2) **comfort** level

He found **comfort** in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

## lane

*n.* a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver

*synonym* : roadway, street, artery

(1) **lane** change, (2) first **lane**

We walked along a muddy **lane** to reach the farm.

## buttress

*n.* an architectural structure that supports or reinforces a wall or other building feature; (verb) to support or

reinforce something

*synonym* : support, prop, reinforcement

(1) reinforce with a **buttress**, (2) **buttress** your thesis

Massive **buttresses** supported the ancient castle.

## quo

*n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue

*synonym* : status, condition, state

(1) status **quo** politician, (2) **quo** warranto

The company has been successful in maintaining the status **quo**.

## tremendous

*adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

*synonym* : enormous, giant, immense

(1) **tremendous** amount, (2) **tremendous** popularity

We had a **tremendous** time yesterday.

## nurture

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

*synonym* : boost, cultivate, enable

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

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

## patriarchal

*adj.* relating to or characteristic of a society or system in which men hold the dominant roles and positions of power; male-dominated

*synonym* : male-dominated, paternalistic

(1) **patriarchal** society, (2) **patriarchal** government

The **patriarchal** system that many societies have is outdated and unfair to women.

## regulation

*n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule

*synonym* : constraint, restriction, rule

(1) a company **regulation**, (2) **regulation** by the government

The **regulation** approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.

## blame

*v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

*synonym*: condemn, rebuke, find fault with

(1) **blame** circumstances for the failure, (2) **blame** the lack of knowledge

We **blamed** our impeded progress on lack of money.

## hierarchy

*n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

*synonym*: ranking, order, scale

(1) top of the **hierarchy**, (2) **hierarchy** of folders

She has taken a step up in the organizational **hierarchy**.

## racism

*n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized

*synonym*: prejudice, discrimination, bias

(1) systemic **racism**, (2) research on anti- **racism**

The school's lack of diversity was a clear indication of the **racism** present in the community.

## xenophobia

*n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries

*synonym*: fear, hatred, aversion

(1) suffer from **xenophobia**, (2) linguistic **xenophobia**

The **xenophobia** in society makes it hard for immigrants to assimilate and integrate.

## purview

*n.* the range or scope of authority, responsibility, or influence of a particular person, group, or organization

*synonym*: scope, range, domain



(1) the **purview** of the committee, (2) beyond the **purview** of the law

The issue falls within the **purview** of the legal department.

## uncomfortable

*adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain  
*synonym*: comfortless, discomforting, painful

(1) an **uncomfortable** silence, (2) with an **uncomfortable** face

His abusive words made me **uncomfortable**.

## apologetic

*adj.* feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something

*synonym*: sorry, regretful, remorseful

(1) **apologetic** tone, (2) **apologetic** letter

He was **apologetic** for being late to the meeting.

## process

*n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

*synonym*: procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

## creative

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

*synonym*: imaginative, innovative, inventive

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

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

## optimistic

*adj.* hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful

*synonym*: hopeful, auspicious, cheery

(1) he is **optimistic**, (2) **optimistic** outlook

Most executives were **optimistic** about future business conditions.

## intimacy

*n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person

*synonym*: closeness, familiarity, nearness

(1) on terms of **intimacy**, (2) build **intimacy**

They were looking for **intimacy** in their relationship and wanted to be close to each other.

## solver

*n.* a thinker who finds an answer to a problem or a difficult situation; a piece of software or the algorithm that solves a mathematical problem

*synonym*: thinker

(1) puzzle- **solver**, (2) linear **solver**

The flow **solver** is validated against the experiment.

## contempt

*n.* the feeling that a person or thing is beneath consideration, worthless, or deserving of scorn

*synonym*: scorn, disdain, disrespect

(1) display **contempt**, (2) below **contempt**

The defendant's **contempt** for the court and its authority was evident in his behavior.

## fury

*n.* intense and often violent anger

*synonym*: rage, wrath, ire

(1) market **fury**, (2) **fury** of the storm

The crowd's **fury** was palpable as they shouted and protested against the government's decision.

## macho

*adj.* characterized by a strong sense of masculinity or male dominance, often in a way that is perceived as arrogant or aggressive

*synonym*: masculine, aggressive, virile

(1) **macho** culture, (2) maintain a **macho** image

His **macho** posturing was just a cover for his insecurities and lack of confidence.

## fascist

*adj.* relating to or supporting fascism, which is a political ideology that emphasizes authoritarian government, nationalism, and suppression of political opposition and individual liberties

*synonym* : authoritarian, dictatorial, totalitarian

(1) **fascist** propaganda, (2) **fascist** policies

The regime was accused of being **fascist** for their oppressive tactics.

## poison

*n.* a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly

*synonym* : toxin, venom, pollutant

(1) **poison** ivy, (2) **poison** bilateral relations

The plant's leaves contain a deadly **poison** that can cause hallucinations and seizures.

## antidote

*n.* a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease

*synonym* : remedy, treatment, restorative

(1) the **antidote** to the poison, (2) the **antidote** for aging  
Knowledge is the **antidote** to fear.

## resistant

*adj.* not affected by something, especially changes or new ideas; of or relating to immunity to disease or infection

*synonym* : unsusceptible, immune, invulnerable

(1) penicillin- **resistant** bacteria, (2) **resistant** to persuasion  
Insects in urban areas are becoming **resistant** to insecticides.

## relate

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

*synonym*: connect, link, associate

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

He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

## compassion

n. a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck

*synonym*: pity, empathy, understanding

(1) feel **compassion** for the poor, (2) have **compassion** toward the accident

His infinite love and **compassion** for everyone never weary.

## empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

*synonym*: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

**Empathy** is also necessary to understand history.

## bond

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

*synonym*: bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. afraid to show em\_\_\_\_n  
*n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
2. up\_\_\_e rate  
*n.* the rate or amount of something that is taken in or used by a particular system or organism; the process of taking food into the body through the mouth by eating
3. reinforce with a bu\_\_\_\_ss  
*n.* an architectural structure that supports or reinforces a wall or other building feature; (verb) to support or reinforce something
4. add a fe\_\_\_\_ne touch  
*adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women
5. the co\_\_\_\_ct between good and evil  
*n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
6. the th\_\_m of the engine  
*v.* to produce a continuous, low, monotonous sound, often with a vibrating or humming quality; (noun) a continuous rhythmic humming or drumming sound
7. utter pl\_\_\_\_de  
*n.* a trite or overused remark or statement that is lacking in originality or insight often used to express a general truth or sentiment; an empty or insincere remark that is meant to sound comforting or supportive

ANSWERS: 1. emotion, 2. uptake, 3. buttress, 4. feminine, 5. conflict, 6. thrum, 7. platitude



19. a b\_\_d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
20. during pr\_\_\_\_\_ol years *adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time
21. ve\_\_\_\_\_a seating *n.* a roofed platform along the outside of a building, typically furnished and used as a sitting area; a porch or balcony
22. in\_\_\_\_\_ce system *n.* a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
23. em\_\_\_\_\_al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
24. ca\_\_\_l dress *adj.* relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness
25. sh\_\_\_\_\_r a world record *v.* to break suddenly into many pieces
26. make con\_\_\_\_\_ng allegations *adj.* incompatible or inconsistent with something else; in disagreement
27. official sta\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
28. an u\_\_y sound *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
29. l\_\_e change *n.* a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver
30. the dis\_\_\_\_\_age of a plan *n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position

ANSWERS: 19. bold, 20. preschool, 21. veranda, 22. injustice, 23. emotional, 24. casual, 25. shatter, 26. conflicting, 27. statistics, 28. ugly, 29. lane, 30. disadvantage

31. ma\_\_\_n error *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
32. en\_\_\_\_us amount *adj.* extremely large or great
33. apo\_\_\_\_\_ic letter *adj.* feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something
34. ge\_\_\_r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
35. mas\_\_\_\_\_ty norms *n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with men, such as physical strength, courage, assertiveness, and so on; the state of being male or manly
36. pr\_\_\_\_\_ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
37. c\_\_t members *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
38. traditional ve\_\_\_\_\_a design *n.* a roofed platform along the outside of a building, typically furnished and used as a sitting area; a porch or balcony

ANSWERS: 31. margin, 32. enormous, 33. apologetic, 34. gender, 35. masculinity, 36. privilege, 37. cult, 38. veranda



39. bi\_\_\_\_\_te at the top of the mountain  
*v.* to divide or split into two branches or parts
40. raise public aw\_\_\_\_\_ss  
*n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
41. def\_\_\_\_\_al language  
*adj.* showing or expressing respect or obedience; yielding to someone else's opinions or judgment
42. co\_\_\_\_y a complex idea  
*v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
43. cr\_\_\_\_\_al investigation  
*n.* a person who has committed a crime
44. make a sh\_\_\_\_l noise  
*adj.* high-pitched and piercing in sound; loud, sharp, and harsh
45. a ch\_\_\_\_\_ul disposition  
*adj.* happy and positive; causing feelings of happiness or optimism; marked by or expressing joy or optimism
46. bi\_\_\_\_\_te into two separate tracks  
*v.* to divide or split into two branches or parts
47. fl\_\_\_\_r enhancer  
*n.* the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth
48. sp\_\_y story  
*adj.* having a strong, pungent flavor or aroma, typically as a result of containing spices; exciting or thrilling
49. co\_\_\_\_\_t level  
*n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
50. re\_\_\_\_e a story  
*v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

ANSWERS: 39. bifurcate, 40. awareness, 41. deferential, 42. convey, 43. criminal, 44. shrill, 45. cheerful, 46. bifurcate, 47. flavor, 48. spicy, 49. comfort, 50. relate

51. puzzle-so\_\_\_r *n.* a thinker who finds an answer to a problem or a difficult situation; a piece of software or the algorithm that solves a mathematical problem
52. give si\_\_\_t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
53. ba\_\_l plot *adj.* lacking originality, creativity, or freshness; uninteresting or dull due to being overused or overly familiar
54. a signal of di\_\_\_\_\_ss *n.* a feeling of great worry, sadness, pain, or discomfort
55. pa\_\_\_\_\_le solution *adj.* having a pleasant or acceptable taste; pleasing or agreeable to the mind or senses; easily tolerated or accepted
56. el\_\_\_\_\_te Ponzi scheme *adj.* containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts
57. car\_\_\_\_\_lar diseases *adj.* of or relating to the heart and blood vessels (= tubes that carry blood around the body)
58. decision-making pr\_\_\_\_\_s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
59. th\_\_\_\_\_en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

ANSWERS: 51. solver, 52. silent, 53. banal, 54. distress, 55. palatable, 56. elaborate, 57. cardiovascular, 58. process, 59. threaten

60. 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
61. vi\_\_\_\_\_t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
62. mis\_\_\_\_\_ent a company's policies *v.* to present a false or misleading interpretation or impression of something or someone
63. bu\_\_\_\_\_ss your thesis *n.* an architectural structure that supports or reinforces a wall or other building feature; (verb) to support or reinforce something
64. ab\_\_\_d storyline *adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical
65. em\_\_\_\_\_er responsibility *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
66. the Great Dep\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
67. w\_\_\_n a reckless driver *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
68. gets m\_d easily *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

ANSWERS: 60. threat, 61. violent, 62. misrepresent, 63. buttress, 64. absurd, 65. employer, 66. depression, 67. warn, 68. mad

69. traffic in\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
70. dis\_\_\_\_\_rt in the abdomen *n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain
71. jumping for g\_\_e *n.* a feeling of great happiness, joy, or pleasure, often accompanied by laughter or exuberance; a sense of delighted satisfaction from a positive result or accomplishment
72. full of em\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
73. words of co\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
74. a two-dimensional ar\_\_y *n.* a large group or collection of things or people, especially one that is impressive or attractive
75. tre\_\_\_\_\_us amount *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
76. nu\_\_\_\_\_e his talents *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
77. de\_\_\_d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
78. re\_\_\_\_\_ce citizenship *v.* to formally declare one's abandonment or rejection of something, especially a belief, claim, or right; to give up or relinquish a particular status, title, or position

ANSWERS: 69. incident, 70. discomfort, 71. glee, 72. empathy, 73. comfort, 74. array, 75. tremendous, 76. nurture, 77. defend, 78. renounce

79. ca\_\_\_r diagnosis *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
80. im\_\_\_\_\_nt danger *adj.* coming or likely to happen very soon
81. an unc\_\_\_\_\_ble silence *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
82. re\_\_\_\_\_ce the painting *v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process
83. environmental mi\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale
84. car\_\_\_\_\_lar tissue *adj.* of or relating to the heart and blood vessels (= tubes that carry blood around the body)
85. linear so\_\_\_r *n.* a thinker who finds an answer to a problem or a difficult situation; a piece of software or the algorithm that solves a mathematical problem
86. t\_\_\_e a wild beast *v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
87. ta\_\_\_e wires *n.* a confused mass of something twisted together

ANSWERS: 79. cancer, 80. imminent, 81. uncomfortable, 82. reproduce, 83. microcosm, 84. cardiovascular, 85. solver, 86. tame, 87. tangle

88. q\_o warranto *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
89. w\_\_ned me of the plan *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
90. ru\_\_\_\_\_te about the past *v.* to think deeply about something; to ponder
91. en\_\_\_\_\_ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
92. the longstanding co\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
93. an el\_\_\_\_\_te hat *adj.* containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts
94. minimal exa\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* an overstatement of facts or description; the act of making something seem larger, more important, or more significant than it is
95. display co\_\_\_\_\_pt *n.* the feeling that a person or thing is beneath consideration, worthless, or deserving of scorn
96. security in\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
97. a m\_d person *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
98. the root problem of her dep\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

ANSWERS: 88. quo, 89. warn, 90. ruminate, 91. entirely, 92. conflict, 93. elaborate, 94. exaggeration, 95. contempt, 96. incident, 97. mad, 98. depression

99. com\_\_\_\_\_ce evaluation *n.* the ability to do something well or efficiently; the knowledge, skill, and ability required to perform a task or job effectively
100. ra\_\_\_t attitudes *adj.* characterized by or showing discrimination or prejudice against people of other races; (noun) a person with a prejudiced belief that one racial group is superior to others
101. in\_\_\_\_\_te an error *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
102. feel com\_\_\_\_\_on for the poor *n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck
103. em\_\_\_\_\_y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
104. de\_\_\_\_\_e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
105. ch\_\_\_\_\_c alcohol consumption *adj.* being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual
106. re\_\_\_\_\_e the computer error *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
107. re\_\_\_\_\_nt to persuasion *adj.* not affected by something, especially changes or new ideas; of or relating to immunity to disease or infection
108. endure dis\_\_\_\_\_rt and pain *n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain

ANSWERS: 99. competence, 100. racist, 101. indicate, 102. compassion, 103. empathy, 104. deserve, 105. chronic, 106. resolve, 107. resistant, 108. discomfort

109. far-right ra\_\_\_t      *adj.* characterized by or showing discrimination or prejudice against people of other races; (noun) a person with a prejudiced belief that one racial group is superior to others
110. pr\_\_\_\_\_ry warfare      *adj.* living by eating other animals, especially by catching prey that is still alive
111. a pr\_\_\_\_\_ry bird      *adj.* living by eating other animals, especially by catching prey that is still alive
112. systemic ra\_\_\_m      *n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized
113. en\_\_\_e critics      *v.* to make someone extremely angry
114. lower infant mo\_\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* the quality or state of being subject to death
115. the rem\_\_\_\_\_le breadth of knowledge      *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
116. de\_\_\_\_\_p a strategy      *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
117. unintended con\_\_\_\_\_ces      *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

ANSWERS: 109. racist, 110. predatory, 111. predatory, 112. racism, 113. enrage, 114. mortality, 115. remarkable, 116. develop, 117. consequence



118. mo\_\_\_\_y of the situation *n.* the act of ridiculing or making fun of someone or something, often in a contemptuous or mocking manner
119. im\_\_y the presence of alien *v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
120. 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
121. ma\_\_o culture *adj.* characterized by a strong sense of masculinity or male dominance, often in a way that is perceived as arrogant or aggressive
122. mu\_\_\_l efforts *adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties
123. the re\_\_\_d for good works *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
124. di\_\_\_\_\_n the policemen *v.* to look down on
125. bl\_\_t criticism *adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive
126. fa\_\_\_\_t policies *adj.* relating to or supporting fascism, which is a political ideology that emphasizes authoritarian government, nationalism, and suppression of political opposition and individual liberties
127. un\_\_\_\_\_ed whisper *adj.* not spoken aloud or expressed verbally; tacit or silent in communication or expression

ANSWERS: 118. mockery, 119. imply, 120. stake, 121. macho, 122. mutual, 123. reward, 124. disdain, 125. blunt, 126. fascist, 127. unvoiced

128. ci\_\_c activity *adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
129. acquire a vi\_\_\_e *n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
130. gi\_\_t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
131. nu\_\_\_\_\_e love *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
132. th\_\_m nervously *v.* to produce a continuous, low, monotonous sound, often with a vibrating or humming quality; (noun) a continuous rhythmic humming or drumming sound
133. inc\_\_\_\_\_ble personalities *adj.* so different as to not be able to exist or work with another thing or person
134. di\_\_\_\_\_y merchandise *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
135. a company reg\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
136. de\_\_\_\_\_p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 128. civic, 129. virtue, 130. giant, 131. nurture, 132. thrum, 133. incompatible, 134. display, 135. regulation, 136. develop

137. fall into a r__e	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling of anger or violence
138. control my em____n	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
139. in a ge___e voice	<i>adj.</i> having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
140. gross in_____ce	<i>n.</i> a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
141. the files are in complete di_____er	<i>n.</i> an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions
142. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl	<i>adv.</i> without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
143. dual ge___r	<i>n.</i> the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
144. with an unc_____ble face	<i>adj.</i> providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
145. reg_____on by the government	<i>n.</i> an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
146. the pu_____w of the committee	<i>n.</i> the range or scope of authority, responsibility, or influence of a particular person, group, or organization

ANSWERS: 137. rage, 138. emotion, 139. gentle, 140. injustice, 141. disorder, 142. absolutely, 143. gender, 144. uncomfortable, 145. regulation, 146. purview

147. vi\_\_\_e of frugality *n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
148. in\_\_\_\_\_te a preference *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
149. risk of ch\_\_\_\_\_c disease *adj.* being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual
150. way to mi\_\_\_\_\_ze conflict *v.* to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious
151. m\_\_l ways to retaliate *v.* to think over carefully; to consider or ponder; to mix or stir thoroughly
152. mai\_\_\_\_\_ce work *n.* the act or process of keeping something, either artificial materials or living things, in good condition; the money needed for a person's or family's living expenses
153. 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
154. the con\_\_\_\_\_ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
155. ha\_\_\_s with constant criticism *v.* to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention
156. pa\_\_\_\_\_le food *adj.* having a pleasant or acceptable taste; pleasing or agreeable to the mind or senses; easily tolerated or accepted

ANSWERS: 147. virtue, 148. indicate, 149. chronic, 150. minimize, 151. mull, 152. maintenance, 153. identity, 154. consequence, 155. harass, 156. palatable

157. li\_\_\_\_\_e personality *adj.* having qualities that make a person or thing well-liked or attractive; pleasant, friendly, or enjoyable
158. the cell of the im\_\_\_e system *adj.* protected against a particular disease or toxin due to the presence of specific antibodies or sensitized white blood cells
159. chemical pr\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
160. hide his pr\_\_\_e *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
161. co\_\_\_y goods by truck *v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
162. su\_\_\_\_\_ed release medication *adj.* lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
163. th\_\_\_\_\_en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
164. u\_\_y building *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
165. su\_\_\_\_\_ed economic growth *adj.* lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
166. below co\_\_\_\_\_pt *n.* the feeling that a person or thing is beneath consideration, worthless, or deserving of scorn

ANSWERS: 157. likable, 158. immune, 159. property, 160. pride, 161. convey, 162. sustained, 163. threaten, 164. ugly, 165. sustained, 166. contempt

167. people with bipolar di\_\_\_\_\_er      *n.* an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions
168. toxic mas\_\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with men, such as physical strength, courage, assertiveness, and so on; the state of being male or manly
169. 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
170. the sacred fe\_\_\_\_\_ne      *adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women
171. cr\_\_y about cars and racing      *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
172. an\_\_\_\_\_y for knowledge      *n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future
173. sp\_\_y appetizer      *adj.* having a strong, pungent flavor or aroma, typically as a result of containing spices; exciting or thrilling
174. dis\_\_\_\_\_age small businesses      *n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
175. insulin aut\_\_\_\_\_ne syndrome      *adj.* relating to a condition in which the body's immune system attacks and destroys healthy body tissue, mistaking it for harmful foreign substances

ANSWERS: 167. disorder, 168. masculinity, 169. recognize, 170. feminine, 171. crazy, 172. anxiety, 173. spicy, 174. disadvantage, 175. autoimmune

176. research on anti-ra\_\_\_m *n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized
177. im\_\_y a strong correlation *v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
178. ge\_\_\_e downward slope *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
179. meet with opp\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
180. in a ta\_\_\_e *n.* a confused mass of something twisted together
181. big, b\_\_d piano sounds *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
182. public mo\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the act of ridiculing or making fun of someone or something, often in a contemptuous or mocking manner
183. native to\_\_\_e *n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language
184. a fairy t\_\_e *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
185. ret\_\_\_\_\_on tactics *n.* the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act

ANSWERS: 176. racism, 177. imply, 178. gentle, 179. opposition, 180. tangle, 181. bold, 182. mockery, 183. tongue, 184. tale, 185. retaliation

186. po\_\_\_n bilateral relations      *n.* a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly
187. fri\_\_\_\_\_ng experience      *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
188. gi\_\_t trees      *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
189. di\_\_\_\_\_y artwork      *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
190. lead to des\_\_\_\_\_ve behavior      *adj.* causing or able to cause tremendous and irreparable damage
191. mo\_\_l hazard      *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
192. naked agg\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the act of attacking or assaulting; hostile or violent behavior
193. im\_\_\_\_\_nt arrest      *adj.* coming or likely to happen very soon
194. ra\_\_\_\_\_t growth of weeds      *adj.* (especially of something bad or unwelcome) flourishing or spreading everywhere in a way that cannot be controlled
195. re\_\_\_e a message      *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

ANSWERS: 186. poison, 187. frightening, 188. giant, 189. display, 190. destructive, 191. moral, 192. aggression, 193. imminent, 194. rampant, 195. relate



196. a li\_\_\_\_e character *adj.* having qualities that make a person or thing well-liked or attractive; pleasant, friendly, or enjoyable
197. ca\_\_\_\_r research *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
198. de\_\_\_\_e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
199. global b\_\_d market *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
200. illegal em\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
201. hu\_\_d climate *adj.* having a high amount of moisture or water vapor in the air; damp; muggy
202. a delicate fl\_\_\_\_r *n.* the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth
203. n\_g political leaders *v.* to annoy or irritate someone persistently with repeated complaints, requests, or criticism; (noun) an old or over-worked horse
204. an intentional in\_\_\_\_t *n.* a remark or action that causes offense or disrespect; (verb) to treat, mention, or speak to rudely
205. the ruins of a ca\_\_\_\_e *n.* a large building, typically of the medieval period, fortified against attack with thick walls, battlements, towers, and often a moat

ANSWERS: 196. likable, 197. cancer, 198. deserve, 199. bond, 200. employer, 201. humid, 202. flavor, 203. nag, 204. insult, 205. castle

206. en_____us potential	<i>adj.</i> extremely large or great
207. sta_____cs for cancer	<i>n.</i> the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
208. reg_____ss tread	<i>adv.</i> not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
209. co_____nd the problem	<i>v.</i> to confuse or perplex; to mix up or throw into disorder; to prove to be false or illogical
210. cast fri_____ng eyes	<i>adj.</i> causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
211. status q_o politician	<i>n.</i> the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
212. sh_____r the plate	<i>v.</i> to break suddenly into many pieces
213. the mai_____ce of the car	<i>n.</i> the act or process of keeping something, either artificial materials or living things, in good condition; the money needed for a person's or family's living expenses
214. d__e situation	<i>adj.</i> extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous
215. ri__d rules	<i>adj.</i> extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending
216. female ho_____e	<i>n.</i> a chemical substance made by organs that encourages or influences the development, growth, sex, etc., of an animal and is carried around the body in the blood

ANSWERS: 206. enormous, 207. statistics, 208. regardless, 209. confound, 210. frightening, 211. quo, 212. shatter, 213. maintenance, 214. dire, 215. rigid, 216. hormone

217. n\_g about the minor thing      *v.* to annoy or irritate someone persistently with repeated complaints, requests, or criticism; (noun) an old or over-worked horse
218. go there af\_\_\_\_\_rd      *adv.* after the time mentioned
219. sp\_\_l a person's sport      *v.* to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad
220. a lot of con\_\_\_\_\_ng information      *adj.* incompatible or inconsistent with something else; in disagreement
221. a t\_\_e animal      *v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
222. linguistic xen\_\_\_\_\_ia      *n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
223. ret\_\_\_\_\_on against discrimination      *n.* the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act
224. silk ri\_\_\_n      *n.* a long, narrow strip or band of fabric, often used for decoration or tying things together; a symbol or badge representing a particular honor or award
225. un\_\_\_\_\_ed speech      *adj.* not spoken aloud or expressed verbally; tacit or silent in communication or expression

ANSWERS: 217. nag, 218. afterward, 219. spoil, 220. conflicting, 221. tame, 222. xenophobia, 223. retaliation, 224. ribbon, 225. unvoiced

226. aw\_\_\_\_\_ss of my ignorance      *n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
227. shopping re\_\_\_\_ds cards      *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
228. n\_\_m of action      *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
229. phy\_\_\_\_\_cal response      *adj.* relating to the normal functioning of living organisms and their organs and systems; concerning the physical or biochemical processes and activities that occur within the body
230. pat\_\_\_\_\_al government      *adj.* relating to or characteristic of a society or system in which men hold the dominant roles and positions of power; male-dominated
231. c\_\_t's practices      *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
232. re\_\_\_\_\_ze achievement      *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
233. ra\_\_\_\_\_t corruption      *adj.* (especially of something bad or unwelcome) flourishing or spreading everywhere in a way that cannot be controlled
234. penicillin-re\_\_\_\_\_nt bacteria      *adj.* not affected by something, especially changes or new ideas; of or relating to immunity to disease or infection

ANSWERS: 226. awareness, 227. reward, 228. norm, 229. physiological, 230. patriarchal, 231. cult, 232. recognize, 233. rampant, 234. resistant

235. is\_\_\_\_\_e a patient *v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things
236. di\_\_\_\_\_n the offer of a bribe *v.* to look down on
237. proven com\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the ability to do something well or efficiently; the knowledge, skill, and ability required to perform a task or job effectively
238. sound very te\_\_\_\_\_ng *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
239. soil mi\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale
240. de\_\_\_\_\_ce to authority *n.* respectful or polite submission or yielding to the judgment, opinion, or wishes of another person or group; a show of respect or honor
241. share of a mu\_\_\_\_\_l fund *adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties
242. re\_\_\_\_\_ce by myself *v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process
243. bl\_\_e the lack of knowledge *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
244. a large st\_\_k of paper *n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated

ANSWERS: 235. isolate, 236. disdain, 237. competence, 238. tempting, 239. microcosm, 240. deference, 241. mutual, 242. reproduce, 243. blame, 244. stack

245. chaotic env\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
246. em\_\_\_\_\_al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
247. hi\_\_\_\_\_hy of folders *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
248. in\_\_\_\_\_fy a good relationship *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
249. top of the hi\_\_\_\_\_hy *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
250. co\_\_\_\_\_ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
251. on terms of in\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person
252. cr\_\_\_\_\_ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
253. en\_\_\_\_\_e the company to use the logo *v.* to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something
254. indoor ar\_\_a *n.* a large, flat area, often circular or oval-shaped, designed to showcase theatre, musical performances, or sporting events

ANSWERS: 245. environment, 246. emotional, 247. hierarchy, 248. intensify, 249. hierarchy, 250. construct, 251. intimacy, 252. creative, 253. entitle, 254. arena

255. victim of a vi\_\_\_\_\_t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
256. basic br\_\_\_n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
257. opt\_\_\_\_\_ic outlook *adj.* hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful
258. phy\_\_\_\_\_cal activity *adj.* relating to the normal functioning of living organisms and their organs and systems; concerning the physical or biochemical processes and activities that occur within the body
259. in\_\_\_\_\_fy diplomatic efforts *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
260. a few years af\_\_\_\_\_rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
261. po\_\_\_n ivy *n.* a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly
262. pr\_\_\_\_\_t a financial crisis *v.* to act in advance to prevent something or to replace it with something else
263. pr\_\_\_\_\_s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 255. violent, 256. brain, 257. optimistic, 258. physiological, 259. intensify, 260. afterward, 261. poison, 262. preempt, 263. process

264. co\_\_\_\_m the diagnosis  
*v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
265. ri\_\_d structure  
*adj.* extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending
266. pay de\_\_\_\_\_ce  
*n.* respectful or polite submission or yielding to the judgment, opinion, or wishes of another person or group; a show of respect or honor
267. suffer an in\_\_\_\_\_ty  
*n.* an affront to one's dignity or self-respect; an insult or humiliating treatment
268. a habit des\_\_\_\_\_ve to health  
*adj.* causing or able to cause tremendous and irreparable damage
269. crown pr\_\_\_\_\_ss  
*n.* the daughter of a monarch; the wife or widow of a prince; woman or girl considered to be particularly good or admirable
270. a bi\_\_\_\_y number  
*n.* a system of numbers that uses only two digits, 0 and 1
271. sh\_\_\_\_l cry  
*adj.* high-pitched and piercing in sound; loud, sharp, and harsh
272. ca\_\_\_\_e moat  
*n.* a large building, typically of the medieval period, fortified against attack with thick walls, battlements, towers, and often a moat
273. se\_\_r a rope  
*v.* to break or separate something by cutting, especially suddenly and forcibly

ANSWERS: 264. confirm, 265. rigid, 266. deference, 267. indignity, 268. destructive, 269. princess, 270. binary, 271. shrill, 272. castle, 273. sever



274. permanent br\_\_n damage      *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
275. he was en\_\_\_\_ly to blame      *adv.* completely
276. barren of cr\_\_\_\_ve spirit      *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
277. clichéd pl\_\_\_\_de      *n.* a trite or overused remark or statement that is lacking in originality or insight often used to express a general truth or sentiment; an empty or insincere remark that is meant to sound comforting or supportive
278. have com\_\_\_\_\_on toward the accident      *n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck
279. in\_\_\_\_\_ne between quarreling parties      *v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse
280. uncontrollable r\_\_e      *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
281. reg\_\_\_\_\_ss of the difficulties      *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
282. fr\_\_\_\_\_te the advancement      *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
283. pat\_\_\_\_\_al society      *adj.* relating to or characteristic of a society or system in which men hold the dominant roles and positions of power; male-dominated

ANSWERS: 274. brain, 275. entirely, 276. creative, 277. platitude, 278. compassion, 279. intervene, 280. rage, 281. regardless, 282. frustrate, 283. patriarchal

284. high st\_\_k *n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
285. emotional di\_\_\_\_ss *n.* a feeling of great worry, sadness, pain, or discomfort
286. si\_\_t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
287. mo\_\_l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
288. wanted cr\_\_\_\_al *n.* a person who has committed a crime
289. he is opt\_\_\_\_ic *adj.* hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful
290. an ab\_\_d amount of money *adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical
291. cultural n\_\_m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
292. de\_\_d against a threat *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
293. suffer d\_\_e poverty *adj.* extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous
294. ho\_\_\_\_e secretion *n.* a chemical substance made by organs that encourages or influences the development, growth, sex, etc., of an animal and is carried around the body in the blood
295. political ar\_\_a *n.* a large, flat area, often circular or oval-shaped, designed to showcase theatre, musical performances, or sporting events

ANSWERS: 284. stack, 285. distress, 286. silent, 287. moral, 288. criminal, 289. optimistic, 290. absurd, 291. norm, 292. defend, 293. dire, 294. hormone, 295. arena

296. pr\_\_e of a company *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
297. pr\_\_\_\_\_ty index *n.* the state of being uncertain or precarious, especially about work or income; a condition of existence characterized by the absence or constant threat of basic security, such as financial stability, physical safety, or access to healthcare
298. di\_\_\_\_\_s a person from the office *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
299. pink ri\_\_\_\_n campaign *n.* a long, narrow strip or band of fabric, often used for decoration or tying things together; a symbol or badge representing a particular honor or award
300. du\_\_\_\_\_nd boxing fans *v.* to surprise and confuse someone to the point of being unable to speak
301. sc\_\_\_m a profanity *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
302. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
303. apo\_\_\_\_\_ic tone *adj.* feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something
304. en\_\_\_e the international community *v.* to make someone extremely angry

ANSWERS: 296. pride, 297. precarity, 298. dismiss, 299. ribbon, 300. dumbfound, 301. scream, 302. absolutely, 303. apologetic, 304. enrage

305. se\_\_r a positive relationship      *v.* to break or separate something by cutting, especially suddenly and forcibly
306. a Royal Pr\_\_\_\_\_ss      *n.* the daughter of a monarch; the wife or widow of a prince; woman or girl considered to be particularly good or admirable
307. 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
308. a profit ma\_\_\_\_n      *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
309. im\_\_\_e from criminal prosecution      *adj.* protected against a particular disease or toxin due to the presence of specific antibodies or sensitized white blood cells
310. a warm em\_\_\_\_\_e      *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
311. g\_\_e club      *n.* a feeling of great happiness, joy, or pleasure, often accompanied by laughter or exuberance; a sense of delighted satisfaction from a positive result or accomplishment
312. build in\_\_\_\_\_cy      *n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person

ANSWERS: 305. sever, 306. princess, 307. stake, 308. margin, 309. immune, 310. embrace, 311. glee, 312. intimacy

313. opp\_\_\_\_\_on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
314. en\_\_\_\_\_e him to a pension *v.* to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something
315. global pr\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state of being uncertain or precarious, especially about work or income; a condition of existence characterized by the absence or constant threat of basic security, such as financial stability, physical safety, or access to healthcare
316. def\_\_\_\_\_al attitude *adj.* showing or expressing respect or obedience; yielding to someone else's opinions or judgment
317. re\_\_\_\_\_e a dispute *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
318. diagnosis of an\_\_\_\_\_y disorder *n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future
319. te\_\_\_\_\_ng offer *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
320. first l\_\_\_e *n.* a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver
321. up\_\_\_\_\_e of calcium *n.* the rate or amount of something that is taken in or used by a particular system or organism; the process of taking food into the body through the mouth by eating

ANSWERS: 313. opposition, 314. entitle, 315. precarity, 316. deferential, 317. resolve, 318. anxiety, 319. tempting, 320. lane, 321. uptake

322. 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
323. pr\_\_\_\_\_t trouble *v.* to act in advance to prevent something or to replace it with something else
324. his meal pre\_\_\_\_\_ces *n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person
325. co\_\_\_\_\_nd right and wrong *v.* to confuse or perplex; to mix up or throw into disorder; to prove to be false or illogical
326. co\_\_\_\_\_m a transaction *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
327. uncomfortably hu\_\_d *adj.* having a high amount of moisture or water vapor in the air; damp; muggy
328. market f\_\_y *n.* intense and often violent anger
329. t\_\_e of horror *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
330. m\_\_l a decision *v.* to think over carefully; to consider or ponder; to mix or stir thoroughly
331. to\_\_\_e cancer *n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language
332. em\_\_\_\_\_e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

ANSWERS: 322. threat, 323. preempt, 324. preference, 325. confound, 326. confirm, 327. humid, 328. fury, 329. tale, 330. mull, 331. tongue, 332. embrace

333. env\_\_\_\_\_nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
334. bl\_\_e circumstances for the failure *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
335. b\_\_d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
336. in\_\_\_t each other *n.* a remark or action that causes offense or disrespect; (verb) to treat, mention, or speak to rudely
337. re\_\_\_\_\_ce a claim *v.* to formally declare one's abandonment or rejection of something, especially a belief, claim, or right; to give up or relinquish a particular status, title, or position
338. sexually ob\_\_\_\_\_fy *v.* to treat or represent someone or something as an object, without regard for their dignity or worth; to view or depict someone as a mere physical entity rather than as a complex person with feelings, thoughts, and desires
339. ba\_\_l conversation *adj.* lacking originality, creativity, or freshness; uninteresting or dull due to being overused or overly familiar
340. fr\_\_\_\_\_te other team members *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

ANSWERS: 333. environment, 334. blame, 335. bond, 336. insult, 337. renounce, 338. objectify, 339. banal, 340. frustrate

341. aut\_\_\_\_\_ne disorder *adj.* relating to a condition in which the body's immune system attacks and destroys healthy body tissue, mistaking it for harmful foreign substances
342. tre\_\_\_\_\_us popularity *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
343. bl\_\_t force *adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive
344. a cr\_\_y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
345. sw\_\_\_\_\_w a handful of pills *v.* to make food, drink, pills, etc., pass down your throat into your stomach; (noun) small long-winged songbird noted for swift, graceful flight and the regularity of its migrations
346. fa\_\_\_\_\_t propaganda *adj.* relating to or supporting fascism, which is a political ideology that emphasizes authoritarian government, nationalism, and suppression of political opposition and individual liberties
347. in\_\_\_\_\_ne in a dispute *v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse
348. sc\_\_\_m at him to be quiet *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
349. inc\_\_\_\_\_ble colors *adj.* so different as to not be able to exist or work with another thing or person

ANSWERS: 341. autoimmune, 342. tremendous, 343. blunt, 344. crazy, 345. swallow, 346. fascist, 347. intervene, 348. scream, 349. incompatible



350. ru\_\_\_\_te over a problem *v.* to think deeply about something; to ponder
351. a man of pr\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
352. suffer from xen\_\_\_\_ia *n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
353. sp\_\_l the surprise *v.* to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad
354. mis\_\_\_\_ent the situation *v.* to present a false or misleading interpretation or impression of something or someone
355. co\_\_\_\_ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
356. ha\_\_\_s the enemy *v.* to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention
357. beyond the pu\_\_\_\_w of the law *n.* the range or scope of authority, responsibility, or influence of a particular person, group, or organization
358. a breach of pr\_\_\_\_ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
359. an ar\_\_y of troops *n.* a large group or collection of things or people, especially one that is impressive or attractive

ANSWERS: 350. ruminates, 351. property, 352. xenophobia, 353. spoils, 354. misrepresents, 355. constructs, 356. harasses, 357. purview, 358. privilege, 359. array

360. di\_\_\_\_\_s a matter with a laugh      *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
361. in\_\_\_\_\_ty of poverty      *n.* an affront to one's dignity or self-respect; an insult or humiliating treatment
362. is\_\_\_\_\_e a compound      *v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things
363. pr\_\_\_\_\_ol education      *adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time
364. ci\_\_c center      *adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
365. take a ca\_\_\_l glance      *adj.* relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness
366. maintain a ma\_\_o image      *adj.* characterized by a strong sense of masculinity or male dominance, often in a way that is perceived as arrogant or aggressive
367. agg\_\_\_\_\_on by a hostile country      *n.* the act of attacking or assaulting; hostile or violent behavior
368. a sw\_\_\_\_\_w tail      *v.* to make food, drink, pills, etc., pass down your throat into your stomach; (noun) small long-winged songbird noted for swift, graceful flight and the regularity of its migrations

ANSWERS: 360. dismiss, 361. indignity, 362. isolate, 363. preschool, 364. civic, 365. casual, 366. macho, 367. aggression, 368. swallow

369. the an\_\_\_\_te to the poison

*n.* a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease

370. f\_\_y of the storm

*n.* intense and often violent anger

ANSWERS: 369. antidote, 370. fury

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. It was the most \_\_\_\_\_ storm in decades.  
*adj.* causing or able to cause tremendous and irreparable damage
2. Her husband's death \_\_\_\_\_ her life entirely.  
*v.* to break suddenly into many pieces
3. We walked along a muddy \_\_\_\_\_ to reach the farm.  
*n.* a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver
4. 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
5. Most executives were \_\_\_\_\_ about future business conditions.  
*adj.* hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful
6. The prince fell in love with the \_\_\_\_\_ and asked her to marry him.  
*n.* the daughter of a monarch; the wife or widow of a prince; woman or girl considered to be particularly good or admirable
7. The woods \_\_\_\_\_ the house.  
*v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
8. The issue falls within the \_\_\_\_\_ of the legal department.  
*n.* the range or scope of authority, responsibility, or influence of a particular person, group, or organization

ANSWERS: 1. destructive, 2. shattered, 3. lane, 4. threat, 5. optimistic, 6. princess, 7. embrace, 8. purview

9. I'm usually a picky eater, but the seafood at this restaurant was surprisingly \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* having a pleasant or acceptable taste; pleasing or agreeable to the mind or senses; easily tolerated or accepted

10. The \_\_\_\_\_ knife made it difficult to cut through the tough steak.

*adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive

11. The government \_\_\_\_\_ the release of sensitive information.

*v.* to act in advance to prevent something or to replace it with something else

12. The vaccination does not necessarily make you completely \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* protected against a particular disease or toxin due to the presence of specific antibodies or sensitized white blood cells

13. He's a very \_\_\_\_\_ person who makes friends easily.

*adj.* having qualities that make a person or thing well-liked or attractive; pleasant, friendly, or enjoyable

14. The school's lack of diversity was a clear indication of the \_\_\_\_\_ present in the community.

*n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized

15. Unfortunately, the book's \_\_\_\_\_ was too small to make notes.

*n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

ANSWERS: 9. palatable, 10. blunt, 11. preempted, 12. immune, 13. likable, 14. racism, 15. margin

16. The news of the pandemic was a \_\_\_\_\_ reminder of the fragility of human health.

*adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming

17. The witness's testimony was \_\_\_\_\_ with the evidence found at the scene.

*adj.* incompatible or inconsistent with something else; in disagreement

18. The presence of certain substances triggered the \_\_\_\_\_ response.

*adj.* relating to a condition in which the body's immune system attacks and destroys healthy body tissue, mistaking it for harmful foreign substances

19. She has taken a step up in the organizational \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

20. They had formed a friendship \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

21. He \_\_\_\_\_ a branch from a tree quickly.

*v.* to break or separate something by cutting, especially suddenly and forcibly

22. She couldn't stop \_\_\_\_\_ her husband to take out the trash.

*v.* to annoy or irritate someone persistently with repeated complaints, requests, or criticism; (noun) an old or over-worked horse

23. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the coffee was rich and full-bodied.

*n.* the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth

ANSWERS: 16. frightening, 17. conflicting, 18. autoimmune, 19. hierarchy, 20. bond, 21. severed, 22. nagging, 23. flavor

24. He proposed an \_\_\_\_\_ program of public works.

*adj.* containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts

25. He was unpopular because of his \_\_\_\_\_ adherence to the rules.

*adj.* extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending

26. Cultural norms strongly influence \_\_\_\_\_ expectations.

*n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

27. The data \_\_\_\_\_ that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.

*v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly

28. Breast \_\_\_\_\_ is the most common type of cancer in women.

*n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

29. She took great \_\_\_\_\_ in her work, always striving for perfection.

*n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

30. She had many good \_\_\_\_\_ and few faults.

*n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes

31. The rain began to \_\_\_\_\_ on the roof, providing a steady rhythm that soothed me to sleep.

*v.* to produce a continuous, low, monotonous sound, often with a vibrating or humming quality; (noun) a continuous rhythmic humming or drumming sound

ANSWERS: 24. elaborate, 25. rigid, 26. gender, 27. indicates, 28. cancer, 29. pride, 30. virtues, 31. thrum

32. The \_\_\_\_\_ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
- n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
33. The plant's leaves contain a deadly \_\_\_\_\_ that can cause hallucinations and seizures.
- n.* a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly
34. The dress mixes sophisticated lines with an appealing floral design for a classically \_\_\_\_\_ style.
- adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women
35. Ghosts in folk \_\_\_\_\_ are almost always malicious.
- n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
36. Schools should \_\_\_\_\_ children's mutual interest spirit.
- v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
37. 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

ANSWERS: 32. process, 33. poison, 34. feminine, 35. tales, 36. nurture, 37. sustained



38. The \_\_\_\_\_ is boneless, but it is as strong as bones.  
*n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language
39. 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
40. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
41. The \_\_\_\_\_ truth was that he had been lying to her for months.  
*adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
42. We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adv.* after the time mentioned
43. The new employee was \_\_\_\_\_ and respectful towards his superiors.  
*adj.* showing or expressing respect or obedience; yielding to someone else's opinions or judgment
44. Even in the Middle Ages, people \_\_\_\_\_ forced labor.  
*v.* to look down on
45. He found \_\_\_\_\_ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.  
*n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
46. The protesters became \_\_\_\_\_ when the police tried to disperse them.  
*adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

ANSWERS: 38. tongue, 39. warn, 40. brain, 41. ugly, 42. afterward, 43. deferential, 44. disdained, 45. comfort, 46. violent

47. She tied the \_\_\_\_\_ around the gift box to make it look pretty.

*n.* a long, narrow strip or band of fabric, often used for decoration or tying things together; a symbol or badge representing a particular honor or award

48. \_\_\_\_\_ hyperglycemia is a trigger for a variety of serious diseases.

*adj.* being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual

49. She was constantly \_\_\_\_\_ by her ex-boyfriend and had to get a restraining order.

*v.* to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention

50. We immediately rejected his \_\_\_\_\_ suggestion.

*adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical

51. The magician's tricks \_\_\_\_\_ the audience.

*v.* to surprise and confuse someone to the point of being unable to speak

52. The doctor prescribed some medicine for the mental \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions

53. Knowledge is the \_\_\_\_\_ to fear.

*n.* a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease

54. The \_\_\_\_\_ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

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

ANSWERS: 47. ribbon, 48. Chronic, 49. harassed, 50. absurd, 51. dumbfounded, 52. disorder, 53. antidote, 54. giant

55. Rebels have pledged to \_\_\_\_\_ the armed struggle against the dictatorship.  
*v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
56. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the court's decision angered many people and led to protests.  
*n.* a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
57. He stood to inherit a million-dollar \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
58. There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
59. The doctor explained the various \_\_\_\_\_ changes that occur during pregnancy.  
*adj.* relating to the normal functioning of living organisms and their organs and systems; concerning the physical or biochemical processes and activities that occur within the body
60. Insects in urban areas are becoming \_\_\_\_\_ to insecticides.  
*adj.* not affected by something, especially changes or new ideas; of or relating to immunity to disease or infection
61. The salespeople speak in technical terms to \_\_\_\_\_ that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.  
*v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
62. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ our products in an attractive way to attract customers.  
*v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value

ANSWERS: 55. intensify, 56. injustice, 57. property, 58. awareness, 59. physiological, 60. resistant, 61. imply, 62. display

63. It is a religion \_\_\_\_\_ with the western country.

*adj.* so different as to not be able to exist or work with another thing or person

64. 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

65. If you leave the milk out of the refrigerator for too long, it will \_\_\_\_\_.

*v.* to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad

66. I bought a gadget before my trip to help \_\_\_\_\_ stress during the flight.

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

67. The company is looking for candidates with the necessary \_\_\_\_\_ and skills.

*n.* the ability to do something well or efficiently; the knowledge, skill, and ability required to perform a task or job effectively

68. The air was so \_\_\_\_\_ that my clothes felt damp.

*adj.* having a high amount of moisture or water vapor in the air; damp; muggy

69. The rain and thunder are \_\_\_\_\_ today.

*adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry

70. The comedian's \_\_\_\_\_ of the recent political scandal drew laughs from the crowd.

*n.* the act of ridiculing or making fun of someone or something, often in a contemptuous or mocking manner

ANSWERS: 63. incompatible, 64. stake, 65. spoil, 66. minimize, 67. competence, 68. humid, 69. crazy, 70. mockery

71. 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

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

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

73. Shakespeare's output of poetry was \_\_\_\_\_.

- adj.* extremely large or great

74. Human \_\_\_\_\_ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

- adj.* relating to people's feelings

75. The medieval \_\_\_\_\_ was surrounded by a moat and had high walls for protection.

- n.* a large building, typically of the medieval period, fortified against attack with thick walls, battlements, towers, and often a moat

76. In an overly protective industry, violations of the ethics rules tend to be \_\_\_\_\_.

- adj.* (especially of something bad or unwelcome) flourishing or spreading everywhere in a way that cannot be controlled

77. His abusive words made me \_\_\_\_\_.

- adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

78. You should not \_\_\_\_\_ them from the community.

- v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things

ANSWERS: 71. identity, 72. consequences, 73. enormous, 74. emotional, 75. castle, 76. rampant, 77. uncomfortable, 78. isolate

79. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the new technology was slower than expected.
- n.* the rate or amount of something that is taken in or used by a particular system or organism; the process of taking food into the body through the mouth by eating
80. The small town felt like a \_\_\_\_\_ of the larger society.
- n.* a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale
81. Ethics deals with \_\_\_\_\_ conduct.
- adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
82. The media tends to \_\_\_\_\_ women by focusing on their physical appearance rather than accomplishments.
- v.* to treat or represent someone or something as an object, without regard for their dignity or worth; to view or depict someone as a mere physical entity rather than as a complex person with feelings, thoughts, and desires
83. The company has been successful in maintaining the status \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
84. International law allows each nation to \_\_\_\_\_ itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.
- v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
85. They were looking for \_\_\_\_\_ in their relationship and wanted to be close to each other.
- n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person

ANSWERS: 79. uptake, 80. microcosm, 81. moral, 82. objectify, 83. quo, 84. defend, 85. intimacy

86. The doctor diagnosed me with a \_\_\_\_\_ disorder.
- n.* a chemical substance made by organs that encourages or influences the development, growth, sex, etc., of an animal and is carried around the body in the blood
87. Low-paid workers in the hospitality industry often find themselves in a state of financial \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the state of being uncertain or precarious, especially about work or income; a condition of existence characterized by the absence or constant threat of basic security, such as financial stability, physical safety, or access to healthcare
88. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ over the job offer before making a decision.
- v.* to think over carefully; to consider or ponder; to mix or stir thoroughly
89. The company is planning to build a 20,000-seat \_\_\_\_\_ with a retractable roof.
- n.* a large, flat area, often circular or oval-shaped, designed to showcase theatre, musical performances, or sporting events
90. \_\_\_\_\_ symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.
- n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
91. He felt no \_\_\_\_\_ as the dentist drilled his deadened tooth.
- n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain
92. Following international law, our country does not \_\_\_\_\_ in the internal affairs of our neighbors.
- v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse

ANSWERS: 86. hormone, 87. precarity, 88. mull, 89. arena, 90. Depression, 91. discomfort, 92. intervene

93. My old school's \_\_\_\_\_ program was well-regarded and had an excellent reputation.  
*adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time
94. His \_\_\_\_\_ posturing was just a cover for his insecurities and lack of confidence.  
*adj.* characterized by a strong sense of masculinity or male dominance, often in a way that is perceived as arrogant or aggressive
95. He was \_\_\_\_\_ for being late to the meeting.  
*adj.* feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something
96. This company \_\_\_\_\_ its battery problem completely.  
*v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
97. She kept \_\_\_\_\_ for an ambulance.  
*v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
98. The philosopher's speech was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ and lacked any real substance.  
*n.* a trite or overused remark or statement that is lacking in originality or insight often used to express a general truth or sentiment; an empty or insincere remark that is meant to sound comforting or supportive
99. The \_\_\_\_\_ in society makes it hard for immigrants to assimilate and integrate.  
*n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries

ANSWERS: 93. preschool, 94. macho, 95. apologetic, 96. resolves, 97. screaming, 98. platitudes, 99. xenophobia



100. The restaurant's menu had a \_\_\_\_\_ selection of generic dishes with no unique or exciting options.

*adj.* lacking originality, creativity, or freshness; uninteresting or dull due to being overused or overly familiar

101. The couple enjoyed their coffee on the \_\_\_\_\_ while watching the sunset.

*n.* a roofed platform along the outside of a building, typically furnished and used as a sitting area; a porch or balcony

102. The flow \_\_\_\_\_ is validated against the experiment.

*n.* a thinker who finds an answer to a problem or a difficult situation; a piece of software or the algorithm that solves a mathematical problem

103. The \_\_\_\_\_ system that many societies have is outdated and unfair to women.

*adj.* relating to or characteristic of a society or system in which men hold the dominant roles and positions of power; male-dominated

104. The children's faces were filled with \_\_\_\_\_ as they ran around the playground.

*n.* a feeling of great happiness, joy, or pleasure, often accompanied by laughter or exuberance; a sense of delighted satisfaction from a positive result or accomplishment

105. His infinite love and \_\_\_\_\_ for everyone never weary.

*n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck

106. The politician remained \_\_\_\_\_ despite intense media scrutiny.

*adj.* without any or little sound

107. The article \_\_\_\_\_ the true intentions of the author's argument.

*v.* to present a false or misleading interpretation or impression of something or someone

ANSWERS: 100. banal, 101. veranda, 102. solver, 103. patriarchal, 104. glee, 105. compassion, 106. silent, 107. misrepresents

108. We have to \_\_\_\_\_ substantial financial deficits at first.

- v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training

109. The employee \_\_\_\_\_ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

- v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

110. The \_\_\_\_\_ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

- n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

111. The unexpected events \_\_\_\_\_ the scientists, who had to rethink their hypothesis.

- v.* to confuse or perplex; to mix up or throw into disorder; to prove to be false or illogical

112. The effort to alleviate climate change needs \_\_\_\_\_ action.

- adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

113. A lack of education can be a significant \_\_\_\_\_ in today's job market.

- n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position

114. Being demoted at work was a great \_\_\_\_\_ to him.

- n.* an affront to one's dignity or self-respect; an insult or humiliating treatment

115. The committee has decided to \_\_\_\_\_ the president from the post.

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

ANSWERS: 108. tame, 109. deserved, 110. opposition, 111. confounded, 112. bold, 113. disadvantage, 114. indignity, 115. dismiss

116. The coach explained a strategy to \_\_\_\_\_ the opponent's schemes to the players.
- v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
117. The \_\_\_\_ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.
- n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
118. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
119. The \_\_\_\_\_ comments made by the politician caused widespread condemnation.
- adj.* characterized by or showing discrimination or prejudice against people of other races; (noun) a person with a prejudiced belief that one racial group is superior to others
120. He was \_\_\_\_ with joy to see the results.
- adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
121. The \_\_\_\_ economic straits called for immediate action.
- adj.* extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous
122. An \_\_\_\_\_ attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.
- n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them

ANSWERS: 116. frustrate, 117. cult, 118. norms, 119. racist, 120. mad, 121. dire, 122. employer's

123. He \_\_\_\_\_ his title and lived a simpler life as a farmer.

- v.* to formally declare one's abandonment or rejection of something, especially a belief, claim, or right; to give up or relinquish a particular status, title, or position

124. The dog's \_\_\_\_\_ made it difficult for its owners to take it for a walk.

- n.* the act of attacking or assaulting; hostile or violent behavior

125. 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

126. The domesticated cat still has its \_\_\_\_\_ instincts.

- adj.* living by eating other animals, especially by catching prey that is still alive

127. The police are searching for the \_\_\_\_\_ who stole the jewels.

- n.* a person who has committed a crime

128. They cooperated for their \_\_\_\_\_ benefit.

- adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties

129. The crowd's \_\_\_\_\_ was palpable as they shouted and protested against the government's decision.

- n.* intense and often violent anger

130. An ironic remark often \_\_\_\_\_ an intended meaning obliquely.

- v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another

131. The city promotes \_\_\_\_\_ collaboration in community development

- adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it

ANSWERS: 123. renounced, 124. aggression, 125. recognize, 126. predatory, 127. criminal, 128. mutual, 129. fury, 130. conveys, 131. civic

132. Her \_\_\_\_\_ personality brightened up the room.

*adj.* happy and positive; causing feelings of happiness or optimism; marked by or expressing joy or optimism

133. The \_\_\_\_\_ approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.

*n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule

134. Massive \_\_\_\_\_ supported the ancient castle.

*n.* an architectural structure that supports or reinforces a wall or other building feature; (verb) to support or reinforce something

135. \_\_\_\_\_ is also necessary to understand history.

*n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

136. The river \_\_\_\_\_ ahead, so we must decide which branch to take.

*v.* to divide or split into two branches or parts

137. The regime was accused of being \_\_\_\_\_ for their oppressive tactics.

*adj.* relating to or supporting fascism, which is a political ideology that emphasizes authoritarian government, nationalism, and suppression of political opposition and individual liberties

138. Her \_\_\_\_\_ manner relaxed everyone there.

*adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

139. A \_\_\_\_\_ star is a system in which two stars revolve around each other.

*n.* a system of numbers that uses only two digits, 0 and 1

ANSWERS: 132. cheerful, 133. regulation, 134. buttresses, 135. Empathy, 136. bifurcates, 137. fascist, 138. gentle, 139. binary

140. He \_\_\_\_\_ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

- v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

141. We had a \_\_\_\_\_ time yesterday.

- adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

142. Her \_\_\_\_\_ is comfortable clothing over fashionable ones.

- n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person

143. This disease has a high \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the quality or state of being subject to death

144. The \_\_\_\_\_ at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

- n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

145. The student showed \_\_\_\_\_ to their teacher by always being respectful in class.

- n.* respectful or polite submission or yielding to the judgment, opinion, or wishes of another person or group; a show of respect or honor

146. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more \_\_\_\_\_.

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

147. His \_\_\_\_\_ toward her was unacceptable and resulted in his being fired.

- n.* a remark or action that causes offense or disrespect; (verb) to treat, mention, or speak to rudely

ANSWERS: 140. constructs, 141. tremendous, 142. preference, 143. mortality, 144. incident, 145. deference, 146. creative, 147. insult

148. Smoking places you at severe risk of \_\_\_\_\_ and respiratory disease.  
*adj.* of or relating to the heart and blood vessels (= tubes that carry blood around the body)
149. The customer on the Internet has to choose one from a formidable \_\_\_\_\_ of products.  
*n.* a large group or collection of things or people, especially one that is impressive or attractive
150. Various artificially induced causes are \_\_\_\_\_ our ecosystem.  
*v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
151. The election was a \_\_\_\_\_ success for the Whigs.  
*adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
152. We \_\_\_\_\_ our impeded progress on lack of money.  
*v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
153. The chocolate cake was too \_\_\_\_\_ for me to resist.  
*adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
154. After a long work day, she likes to \_\_\_\_\_ on her accomplishments and plan for the next day.  
*v.* to think deeply about something; to ponder
155. They had a \_\_\_\_\_ conversation over coffee at the local cafe.  
*adj.* relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness

ANSWERS: 148. cardiovascular, 149. array, 150. threatening, 151. remarkable, 152. blamed, 153. tempting, 154. ruminates, 155. casual

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

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

157. We must \_\_\_\_\_ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

158. The \_\_\_\_\_ sound of the whistle startled the entire crowd.

- adj.* high-pitched and piercing in sound; loud, sharp, and harsh

159. She has been in great \_\_\_\_\_ since she was heartbroken.

- n.* a feeling of great worry, sadness, pain, or discomfort

160. The news of the betrayal \_\_\_\_\_ him.

- v.* to make someone extremely angry

161. People can pick out superior products \_\_\_\_\_ of the quality of the advertising.

- adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

162. I \_\_\_\_\_ my anger and kept quiet.

- v.* to make food, drink, pills, etc., pass down your throat into your stomach; (noun) small long-winged songbird noted for swift, graceful flight and the regularity of its migrations

163. Some \_\_\_\_\_ are common across cultures and backgrounds.

- n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

ANSWERS: 156. exaggerations, 157. develop, 158. shrill, 159. distress, 160. enraged, 161. regardless, 162. swallowed, 163. emotions



164. The cords behind my computer were a \_\_\_\_\_ mess.

*n.* a confused mass of something twisted together

165. I am \_\_\_\_\_ opposed to his idea because of morality.

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

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

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

167. The employee was \_\_\_\_\_ to a week of vacation time.

*v.* to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something

168. The company faced heavy \_\_\_\_\_ from its competitors after releasing a controversial product.

*n.* the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act

169. This country was long faced with \_\_\_\_\_ peril.

*adj.* coming or likely to happen very soon

170. She waited for her daughter with \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future

171. By dividing and creating copies of themselves, bacteria \_\_\_\_\_.

*v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process

ANSWERS: 164. tangled, 165. absolutely, 166. stack, 167. entitled, 168. retaliation, 169. imminent, 170. anxiety, 171. reproduce

172. Research has shown that rigid ideas of \_\_\_\_\_ can contribute to domestic violence and other forms of abuse.

- n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with men, such as physical strength, courage, assertiveness, and so on; the state of being male or manly

173. He and I often had \_\_\_\_\_ not only in personality but also in ideology.

- n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

174. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

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

175. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

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

176. Later, his claim was found to be \_\_\_\_\_ false.

- adv.* completely

177. We have decided to extend our \_\_\_\_\_ contract until next year.

- n.* the act or process of keeping something, either artificial materials or living things, in good condition; the money needed for a person's or family's living expenses

178. Please write to \_\_\_\_\_ your reservation.

- v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

ANSWERS: 172. masculinity, 173. conflicts, 174. statistics, 175. relate, 176. entirely, 177. maintenance, 178. confirm

179. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the \_\_\_\_\_ of royalty and nobility.

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

180. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

181. Night fishing has a lot of \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

182. She added \_\_\_\_\_ peppers to the dish.

*adj.* having a strong, pungent flavor or aroma, typically as a result of containing spices; exciting or thrilling

183. The defendant's \_\_\_\_\_ for the court and its authority was evident in his behavior.

*n.* the feeling that a person or thing is beneath consideration, worthless, or deserving of scorn

184. The \_\_\_\_\_ consonant in the word "knock" is the "k" sound.

*adj.* not spoken aloud or expressed verbally; tacit or silent in communication or expression

185. She was filled with a burning \_\_\_\_\_ at the injustice she had witnessed.

*n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence

ANSWERS: 179. privilege, 180. environment, 181. rewards, 182. spicy, 183. contempt, 184. unvoiced, 185. rage