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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### 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**.

### adolescent

*n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult

*synonym* : teen, preadult, youth

(1) **adolescent** girl, (2) pre- **adolescent** children

Timely education about birth control might help reduce **adolescent** pregnancies.

### recruit

*v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.

*synonym* : raise, enroll, enlist

(1) **recruit** a good worker, (2) **recruit** a new hire

The colonial government **recruited** militia support when civil war broke out.

### diverse

*adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

*synonym* : manifold, various, myriad

(1) **diverse** backgrounds, (2) a person of **diverse** talents  
New York is a city with a **diverse** ethnic population.

## 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.

## cerebral

*adj.* relating to the brain or intellect; intellectual or studious rather than emotional or physical

*synonym*: brain, mental, intellectual

(1) **cerebral** palsy, (2) **cerebral** cortex

The patient experienced a **cerebral** hemorrhage and required surgery.

## cortex

*n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain

(1) **cortex** cells, (2) visual **cortex** neuron

The cerebral **cortex** consists of six layers.

## wrinkle

*n.* a small line or fold in something, especially fabric or the skin of the face; a minor difficulty

*synonym*: crinkle, fold, crumple

(1) a fine **wrinkle** on a fabric, (2) a facial **wrinkle**

This suit is made of **wrinkle-proof** material.

## cognitive

*adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding

*synonym*: perceivable, mind, mental

(1) improve **cognitive** function, (2) research on **cognitive** psychology

His **cognitive** faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.

## lift

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

*synonym*:

raise, elevate, move up

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

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

## cortical

*adj.* relating to or located in the outer layer of an organ or body structure, particularly the cortex of the brain

(1) **cortical** neurons, (2) **cortical** activity

The MRI showed activity in the **cortical** region of the patient's brain.

## associate

*v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

*synonym*: tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

## intelligence

*n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

*synonym*: brains, brightness, cleverness

(1) an **intelligence** test, (2) field of artificial **intelligence**

In terms of **intelligence**, he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

## spot

*n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

*synonym*: dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

## association

*n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship

*synonym*: affiliation, collaboration, society

(1) word **associations**, (2) a scholarship **association**

His membership in the **association** provided him with

numerous benefits.

## pronounced

*adj.* clearly and distinctly expressed or noticeable;  
emphasized

*synonym*: emphasized, distinct, noticeable

(1) clearly- **pronounced** utterances, (2) **pronounced** difference

The chef's herbs and spices gave the dish a **pronounced** flavor.

## vocabulary

*n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

*synonym*: lexicon, glossary, dictionary

(1) **vocabulary** list, (2) academic **vocabulary**

Using proper **vocabulary** is essential for writing a good essay.

## distract

*v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

*synonym*: divert, preoccupy, confuse

(1) **distract** attention from the real issue, (2) **distract** public opinion

Please don't **distract** me while I'm studying.

## exert

*v.* to put forth effort; to put into action; to bring into play

*synonym*: exert, apply, use

(1) **exert** control, (2) **exert** influence

He **exerted** himself to lift the heavyweight.

## poverty

*n.* the condition of being extremely poor

*synonym*: deprivation, destitution, poorness

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

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

## struggle

*v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

*synonym* : toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

## impulse

*n.* a sudden strong and unreflective wish or need to do something; the electrical discharge that travels along a nerve fiber

*synonym* : stimulation, provocation, urge

(1) a combative **impulse**, (2) profound religious **impulses**

Nerve **impulses** cross a synapse through the action of neurotransmitters.

## highlight

*v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention

*synonym* : feature, emphasize, stress

(1) **highlight** a string in red, (2) **highlight** an important difference

The introduction **highlighted** the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant

## structure

*n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

*synonym* : construction, architecture, establishment

(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of the brain

The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

## relative

*adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

*synonym* : comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors

Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close **relatives**.

## proportionate

*adj.* having a proper or suitable balance in size, amount, or degree; corresponding or in proportion to something else

*synonym*: proportional, commensurate, balanced

(1) **proportionate** response, (2) **proportionate** representation

The judge ruled that the punishment be **proportionate** to the crime committed.

## 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.

## intuitive

*adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof

*synonym*: involuntary, instinctive, innate

(1) **intuitive** eating, (2) **intuitive** judgment

I had an **intuitive** feeling that I might be pregnant.

## 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.

## ethnicity

*n.* the cultural characteristics of a particular group, such as language, religion, and traditions, that distinguish them from other groups

*synonym*: race, culture, heritage

(1) with respect to **ethnicity**, (2) based on their **ethnicity**

The company has a diverse workforce representing different **ethnicity** and backgrounds.

## 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.

## variability

*n.* the fact or quality of something being likely to vary

*synonym*: variance, unevenness, inconstancy

(1) natural **variability**, (2) climate **variability**

There is considerable **variability** in all the test scores.

## analogy

*n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept

*synonym*: metaphor, comparison, parallel

(1) draw **analogy**, (2) historical **analogy**

Some kinds of machine learning models show an **analogy** to how people learn.

## individual

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

*synonym*: person, being, self

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

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

## accuracy

*n.* the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake

*synonym*: precision, exactness, truthfulness

(1) degree of **accuracy**, (2) the **accuracy** of his compass

To assure **accuracy**, I recommend investing in high-quality test kits.

## fortunate

*adj.* having good luck or lucky

*synonym* : fortuitous, lucky, blessed

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

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

## circumstance

*n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

*synonym* : condition, context, environment

(1) **circumstance** of birth, (2) **circumstance** of injury

She explained the **circumstances** surrounding the accident.

## 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.

## kindergarten

*n.* a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six

*synonym* : preschool, nursery school, daycare

(1) **kindergarten** class, (2) **kindergarten** teacher

The **kindergarten** students were having a good time playing with toys.

## graduate

*n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

*synonym* : alumna, alum, grad

(1) **graduate** degree program, (2) honor **graduate**

Many employers hire **graduate** trainees to train as managers.

## degree

*n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

*synonym* : level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade



She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

## neuroscience

*n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

(1) the branch of **neuroscience**, (2) a theoretical concept in **neuroscience**

Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral **neuroscience**.

## exciting

*adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement

*synonym*: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

(1) **exciting** football player, (2) **exciting** news

The findings of the experiment were both **exciting** and unexpected.

## concept

*n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract

*synonym*: idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

## neuroplasticity

*n.* the ability of the brain to change and reorganize itself in response to new experiences, learning, or injury, by creating new neural connections and pathways

*synonym*: brain plasticity, neural remodeling, synaptic plasticity

(1) **neuroplasticity** therapy, (2) experience-dependent **neuroplasticity**

Researchers are currently studying the potential of **neuroplasticity** to treat conditions such as depression and anxiety.

## doom

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

*synonym*: judgment, destiny, fate

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

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

## achievement

*n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability

*synonym*: accomplishment, attainment, triumph

(1) student **achievement**, (2) a remarkable **achievement**

This **achievement** has never been formally accepted.

## destiny

*n.* the events that will inevitably happen to a particular person or thing in the future

*synonym*: fate, future, outcome

(1) foreordained **destiny**, (2) **destiny** of the individual

It is said that our **destiny** is written in the stars.

## background

*n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

*synonym*: ground, experience, backdrop

(1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

## emerging

*adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known

*synonym*: arising, occurring, state-of-the-art

(1) **emerging** country, (2) **emerging** technologies

**Emerging** technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.

## 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.

## ultimate

*adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order

*synonym* : highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury  
Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

## beg

*v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something

*synonym* : plead, implore, entreat

(1) **beg** the question, (2) **beg** for help  
She **begged** her parents to let her go to the concert.

## pathway

*n.* a track that constitutes or serves as a path; an approach or a way of doing something

*synonym* : route, footpath, trail

(1) **pathway** to understanding, (2) cellular signaling **pathways**

When the first molecule in the **pathway** receives a signal, it activates other molecules.

## 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.

## encouraging

*adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring

*synonym* : uplifting, inspiring, optimistic

(1) **encouraging** approval, (2) **encouraging** sign  
The test results were **encouraging** and showed improvement.

## importance

*n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note

*synonym* : significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

### overstate

v. to exaggerate or make something seem more important or serious than it is

*synonym*: exaggerate, embellish, magnify

(1) **overstate** the issue, (2) **overstate** the importance

He tends to **overstate** his accomplishments to impress others.

### intervention

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

*synonym*: interference, intercession, treatment

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

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

### 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.

### improve

v. to make or become better

*synonym*: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

(1) **improve** a process, (2) **improve** the test score

We want to **improve** ties between our two countries.

### implement

v. to put a decision, plan, or system into effect

*synonym*: execute, enforce, put through

(1) **implement** a corporate strategy, (2) **implement** security measures

The government promised to **implement** a new system to control the financial crisis.

## labor

*n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

*synonym*: toil, toil, donkeywork

(1) seasonal **labor**, (2) manual **labor**

In several countries, child **labor** is a serious social problem.

## intensive

*adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time

*synonym*: thorough, comprehensive, in-depth

(1) **intensive** agriculture, (2) **intensive** care

The construction industry is labor **intensive**, although it has been somewhat automated by introducing large machinery.

## disparity

*n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things

*synonym*: difference, inequality, gap

(1) the **disparity** between theory and reality, (2) income **disparity**

There is a significant **disparity** in pay between men and women in the company.

## emerge

*v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible

*synonym*: arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty

During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

## toddler

*n.* a young child who has recently learned to walk

*synonym*: child, infant, youngster

(1) an active **toddler**, (2) **toddler** in nappy

A **toddler** needs constant supervision and firm control.

## argue

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

*synonym* : debate, dispute, quarrel

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

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

## policy

*n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

*synonym* : strategy, plan, guideline

(1) health **policy**, (2) foreign **policy**

The company's new **policy** on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

## promote

*v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

*synonym* : boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior

The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

## outcome

*n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

*synonym* : result, consequence, effect

(1) improved student **outcomes**, (2) a desirable **outcome**

They awaited news of the **outcome** of the election.

## nutrition

*n.* the substances or the process that organisms take into their bodies as food for their growth and health

*synonym* : alimentation, nourishment, sustenance

(1) **nutrition** condition, (2) **nutrition** intake

This food contains all the **nutrition** your dog requires.

## exposure

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

*synonym* : vulnerability, disclosure, uncovering

(1) a southern **exposure**, (2) the **exposure** of a fraud  
The long **exposure** to the air tarnished the antique tableware.

## secondhand

*adj.* having been previously owned or used by someone else

*synonym* : used, pre-owned, recycled

(1) **secondhand** car, (2) **secondhand** information  
He was excited to find a vintage suit at the **secondhand** shop for a fraction of the price of a new one.

## discriminate

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

*synonym* : show prejudice, segregate, differentiate

(1) **discriminate** against women employees,  
(2) **discriminate** between different things  
You should not **discriminate** against minorities.

## laboratory

*n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab

*synonym* : lab, workshop, testing room

(1) **laboratory** accident, (2) anthropology **laboratory**  
Animal protection groups call for an end to animal testing in a **laboratory**.

## 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**.

## conversation

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

*synonym* : chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

## engage

*v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

*synonym* : confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,

(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

## vary

*v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

*synonym* : alter, contrast, differ

(1) **vary** according to the age, (2) **vary** directly with the price

Maximum heart rates **vary** a lot for each individual.

## estimate

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

*synonym* : calculate, gauge, evaluate

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

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

## advantage

*n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

*synonym* : benefit, edge, asset

(1) score an **advantage**, (2) take **advantage** of his weak points

One of the main **advantages** of the new product is its increased efficiency.

## forth

*adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence,



boldness, or in the open

*synonym* : forward, onwards, ahead

(1) bring **forth** a beautiful vase, (2) call **forth** demand  
I pushed **forth** with my new project, even though it would take much hard work.

## responsible

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

*synonym* : accountable, answerable, liable

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

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

## tantalize

*v.* to tease or torment by presenting something desirable but out of reach or unattainable; to tempt or lure with the promise of something desirable

*synonym* : tease, tempt, torment

(1) **tantalize** taste buds, (2) **tantalize** with promises

The smell of freshly baked cookies in the kitchen **tantalized** me.

## possibility

*n.* a chance that something may happen or be true

*synonym* : chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

## overwhelming

*adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

*synonym* : overpowering, astounding, amazing

(1) **overwhelming** majority, (2) an **overwhelming** victory

He has shown signs of uneasiness and **overwhelming** worry.

## occasion

*n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

*synonym*: event, time, occurrence

(1) a glad **occasion**, (2) as **occasion** demands

She wore her best dress for the special **occasion**.

## patronizing

*adj.* displaying an air of condescension or superiority towards others, often in a way that comes across as insincere or manipulative; demonstrating a condescending or dismissive attitude

*synonym*: condescending, superior

(1) **patronizing** remark, (2) **patronizing** behavior

The manager's attitude towards his employees was **patronizing**.

## swoop

*v.* to rapidly or forcefully descend upon something or someone from a great height or distance; to rush or pounce upon

*synonym*: dart, pounce

(1) **swoop** down the water slide, (2) **swoop** up the escalator

The eagle **swooped** down from the sky to catch its prey.

## 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.

## economical

*adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

*synonym*: frugal, thrifty, parsimonious

(1) **economical** use of her time, (2) an **economical** meal

It is more **economical** to wash your plastic bottle and reuse

it.

## random

*adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

*synonym*: incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

## reduction

*n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree

*synonym*: diminution, decrease, cutback

(1) **reduction** strategy, (2) a gradual **reduction**

The **reduction** in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.

## ambition

*n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something

*synonym*: purpose, aim, endeavor

(1) an **ambition** for political power, (2) boundless **ambition**

Greed and **ambition** composed his personality.

## premise

*n.* a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn

*synonym*: assumption, postulate, supposition

(1) the major **premise**, (2) make a **premise**

The book's **premise** is that the main character must save the world from an impending disaster.

## enroll

*v.* to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service

*synonym*: register, enlist, join

(1) **enroll** at a college, (2) **enroll** in a school

I need to **enroll** in a cooking class to improve my culinary skills.

## unconditional

*adj.* not subject to any conditions; absolute or complete; not limited by any qualifications or restrictions

*synonym*: absolute, complete, unqualified

(1) **unconditional** forgiveness, (2) **unconditional** support  
Her love for him was **unconditional**, despite all of his flaws.

## nominal

*adj.* being something in name only; insignificantly small, minimal, or minor

*synonym* : token, symbolic, insignificant

(1) **nominal** interest rate, (2) **nominal** damages

The **nominal** fee for the concert tickets was only \$10.

## correlate

*v.* to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another

*synonym* : associate, liken, connect

(1) **correlate** closely with the quality, (2) **correlate** to the size

We may frequently **correlate** age with the frequency of disease.

## 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.

## definitive

*adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed

*synonym* : conclusive, final, decisive

(1) **definitive** answer, (2) a **definitive** edition

The study provided **definitive** proof of the effectiveness of the new drug.

## hypothesis

*n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate

*synonym* : assumption, conjecture, theory

(1) test my **hypothesis**, (2) a bold **hypothesis**

This evidence supports the big-bang **hypothesis**.

## debate

*n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

*synonym*: argument, discussion, dispute

(1) **debate** topic, (2) **debate** competition

The **debate** over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

## determinant

*n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

*synonym*: cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

## perspective

*n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

*synonym*: viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle  
His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. res\_\_\_\_\_le action  
*adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
2. in\_\_\_\_\_ne in a dispute  
*v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse
3. less fo\_\_\_\_\_te person  
*adj.* having good luck or lucky
4. nu\_\_\_\_\_on condition  
*n.* the substances or the process that organisms take into their bodies as food for their growth and health
5. an ove\_\_\_\_\_ing victory  
*adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
6. v\_\_y directly with the price  
*v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
7. ado\_\_\_\_\_nt girl  
*n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult
8. dis\_\_\_\_\_age small businesses  
*n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
9. sw\_\_p up the escalator  
*v.* to rapidly or forcefully descend upon something or someone from a great height or distance; to rush or pounce upon
10. score an ad\_\_\_\_\_ge  
*n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

ANSWERS: 1. responsible, 2. intervene, 3. fortunate, 4. nutrition, 5. overwhelming, 6. vary, 7. adolescent, 8. disadvantage, 9. swoop, 10. advantage

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| 11. a fine wr_____e on a fabric         | <i>n.</i> a small line or fold in something, especially fabric or the skin of the face; a minor difficulty  |
| 12. degree of ac_____cy                 | <i>n.</i> the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake  |
| 13. pos_____ty for growth               | <i>n.</i> a chance that something may happen or be true   |
| 14. st_____re and function of the brain | <i>n.</i> the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts   |
| 15. dis_____ate against women employees | <i>v.</i> to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things |
| 16. the st_____re of a machine          | <i>n.</i> the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts   |
| 17. b_g the question                    | <i>v.</i> to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something  |
| 18. experience-dependent neu_____ity    | <i>n.</i> the ability of the brain to change and reorganize itself in response to new experiences, learning, or injury, by creating new neural connections and pathways               |
| 19. a friendly con_____ion              | <i>n.</i> an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.   |

ANSWERS: 11. wrinkle, 12. accuracy, 13. possibility, 14. structure, 15. discriminate, 16. structure, 17. beg, 18. neuroplasticity, 19. conversation





28. co\_\_\_\_\_te closely with the quality      *v.* to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another
29. im\_\_\_\_\_nt security measures      *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
30. a person of di\_\_\_\_\_e talents      *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
31. di\_\_\_\_\_ct public opinion      *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
32. profound religious im\_\_\_\_\_es      *n.* a sudden strong and unreflective wish or need to do something; the electrical discharge that travels along a nerve fiber
33. l\_\_t a ban on alcohol      *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
34. ex\_\_t control      *v.* to put forth effort; to put into action; to bring into play
35. ind\_\_\_\_\_al freedom      *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
36. ar\_\_e passionately      *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
37. the ac\_\_\_\_\_cy of his compass      *n.* the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake
38. co\_\_\_\_\_al activity      *adj.* relating to or located in the outer layer of an organ or body structure, particularly the cortex of the brain

ANSWERS: 28. correlate, 29. implement, 30. diverse, 31. distract, 32. impulse, 33. lift, 34. exert, 35. individual, 36. argue, 37. accuracy, 38. cortical

39. re\_\_\_\_\_on strategy *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
40. l\_\_t sagging skin *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
41. sta\_\_\_\_\_cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
42. a glad oc\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
43. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
44. manual la\_\_r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
45. high imp\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
46. re\_\_\_\_\_t a good worker *v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
47. a gradual re\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
48. the major pr\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn

ANSWERS: 39. reduction, 40. lift, 41. statistics, 42. occasion, 43. absolutely, 44. labor, 45. importance, 46. recruit, 47. reduction, 48. premise

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| 49. improve co_____ve function   | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to mental processes of understanding   |
| 50. honor gr_____te              | <i>n.</i> a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree                                   |
| 51. em___e as a butterfly        | <i>v.</i> to move out of or away from something and become visible  |
| 52. a scholarship ass_____on     | <i>n.</i> a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship                    |
| 53. ov_____te the issue          | <i>v.</i> to exaggerate or make something seem more important or serious than it is   |
| 54. historical an_____y          | <i>n.</i> a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept  |
| 55. as_____te with people widely | <i>v.</i> to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else   |
| 56. a criminal bac_____nd        | <i>n.</i> the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem |
| 57. natural var_____ty           | <i>n.</i> the fact or quality of something being likely to vary   |
| 58. 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                             |

ANSWERS: 49. cognitive, 50. graduate, 51. emerge, 52. association, 53. overstate, 54. analogy, 55. associate, 56. background, 57. variability, 58. regulation

59. de\_\_\_e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
60. b\_g for help *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
61. the ul\_\_\_\_te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
62. de\_\_\_\_y of the individual *n.* the events that will inevitably happen to a particular person or thing in the future
63. prophet of d\_\_m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
64. ce\_\_\_\_al palsy *adj.* relating to the brain or intellect; intellectual or studious rather than emotional or physical
65. seasonal la\_\_r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
66. basic br\_\_n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
67. based on their et\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the cultural characteristics of a particular group, such as language, religion, and traditions, that distinguish them from other groups

ANSWERS: 59. debate, 60. beg, 61. ultimate, 62. destiny, 63. doom, 64. cerebral, 65. labor, 66. brain, 67. ethnicity

68. ar\_\_e a case v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
69. no\_\_\_\_l damages *adj.* being something in name only; insignificantly small, minimal, or minor
70. a theoretical concept in neu\_\_\_\_nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
71. int\_\_\_\_ion by foreign powers *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
72. sw\_\_p down the water slide v. to rapidly or forcefully descend upon something or someone from a great height or distance; to rush or pounce upon
73. ce\_\_\_\_al cortex *adj.* relating to the brain or intellect; intellectual or studious rather than emotional or physical
74. sec\_\_\_\_nd car *adj.* having been previously owned or used by someone else
75. in\_\_\_\_ve agriculture *adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
76. beauty s\_\_t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
77. en\_\_e in environmental protection activities v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

ANSWERS: 68. argue, 69. nominal, 70. neuroscience, 71. intervention, 72. swoop, 73. cerebral, 74. secondhand, 75. intensive, 76. spot, 77. engage

78. de\_\_\_e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
79. em\_\_\_\_\_al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
80. co\_\_\_x cells *n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
81. 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
82. word ass\_\_\_\_\_ons *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
83. the di\_\_\_\_\_ty between theory and reality *n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things
84. visual co\_\_\_x neuron *n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
85. pr\_\_\_\_\_e a better relationship *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
86. learn new co\_\_\_\_\_ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
87. a remote re\_\_\_\_\_ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
88. chaotic env\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

ANSWERS: 78. degree, 79. emotional, 80. cortex, 81. regulation, 82. association, 83. disparity, 84. cortex, 85. promote, 86. concept, 87. relative, 88. environment

89. dis\_\_\_\_\_ate between different things
90. voc\_\_\_\_\_ry list
91. a man of imp\_\_\_\_\_ce
92. pat\_\_\_\_\_ng remark
93. v\_\_y according to the age
94. pr\_\_\_\_\_e bad behavior
95. di\_\_\_\_\_e backgrounds
96. de\_\_\_e competition
- v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
- n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
- n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
- adj.* displaying an air of condescension or superiority towards others, often in a way that comes across as insincere or manipulative; demonstrating a condescending or dismissive attitude
- v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
- v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
- adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
- n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

ANSWERS: 89. discriminate, 90. vocabulary, 91. importance, 92. patronizing, 93. vary, 94. promote, 95. diverse, 96. debate

97. ta\_\_\_\_\_ze with promises      *v.* to tease or torment by presenting something desirable but out of reach or unattainable; to tempt or lure with the promise of something desirable
98. enc\_\_\_\_\_ng sign      *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
99. st\_\_\_\_\_le against discrimination      *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
100. 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
101. the ex\_\_\_\_\_re of a fraud      *n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
102. 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
103. a per\_\_\_\_\_ve view      *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
104. en\_\_\_\_\_e a new employee      *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

ANSWERS: 97. tantalize, 98. encouraging, 99. struggle, 100. develop, 101. exposure, 102. privilege, 103. perspective, 104. engage



105. 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
106. test my hyp\_\_\_\_\_is      *n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
107. in\_\_\_\_\_ve care      *adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
108. bachelor's de\_\_\_\_e      *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
109. a bac\_\_\_\_\_nd color      *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
110. ex\_\_\_\_\_ng news      *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
111. foreordained de\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* the events that will inevitably happen to a particular person or thing in the future
112. po\_\_\_\_\_y alleviation      *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
113. neu\_\_\_\_\_ity therapy      *n.* the ability of the brain to change and reorganize itself in response to new experiences, learning, or injury, by creating new neural connections and pathways

ANSWERS: 105. develop, 106. hypothesis, 107. intensive, 108. degree, 109. background, 110. exciting, 111. destiny, 112. poverty, 113. neuroplasticity

114. em\_\_\_e from poverty      *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
115. co\_\_\_\_al neurons      *adj.* relating to or located in the outer layer of an organ or body structure, particularly the cortex of the brain
116. di\_\_\_\_ct attention from the real issue      *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
117. 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
118. rem\_\_\_\_\_le achievement      *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
119. clearly-pro\_\_\_\_\_ed utterances      *adj.* clearly and distinctly expressed or noticeable; emphasized
120. academic voc\_\_\_\_\_ry      *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
121. a s\_\_t on his honor      *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
122. pa\_\_\_\_\_y to understanding      *n.* a track that constitutes or serves as a path; an approach or a way of doing something
123. an int\_\_\_\_\_nce test      *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
124. res\_\_\_\_\_le for a customer service      *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

ANSWERS: 114. emerge, 115. cortical, 116. distract, 117. disadvantage, 118. remarkable, 119. pronounced, 120. vocabulary, 121. spot, 122. pathway, 123. intelligence, 124. responsible

125. im\_\_\_\_\_nt a corporate strategy      *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
126. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly against      *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
127. permanent br\_\_n damage      *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
128. tre\_\_\_\_\_us amount      *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
129. em\_\_\_\_\_ng country      *adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
130. a private ind\_\_\_\_\_al      *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
131. in\_\_\_\_\_ve eating      *adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof
132. as oc\_\_\_\_\_on demands      *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
133. an eco\_\_\_\_\_al meal      *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
134. ta\_\_\_\_\_ze taste buds      *v.* to tease or torment by presenting something desirable but out of reach or unattainable; to tempt or lure with the promise of something desirable
135. nu\_\_\_\_\_on intake      *n.* the substances or the process that organisms take into their bodies as food for their growth and health

ANSWERS: 125. implement, 126. absolutely, 127. brain, 128. tremendous, 129. emerging, 130. individual, 131. intuitive, 132. occasion, 133. economical, 134. tantalize, 135. nutrition

136. sec\_\_\_\_\_nd information *adj.* having been previously owned or used by someone else
137. 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
138. call fo\_\_h demand *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
139. as\_\_\_\_\_te alcohol with gambling *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
140. pre-ado\_\_\_\_\_nt children *n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult
141. es\_\_\_\_\_te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
142. hi\_\_\_\_\_ht an important difference *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
143. pro\_\_\_\_\_ed difference *adj.* clearly and distinctly expressed or noticeable; emphasized
144. a facial wr\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a small line or fold in something, especially fabric or the skin of the face; a minor difficulty
145. fo\_\_\_\_\_te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
146. to\_\_\_\_\_r in nappy *n.* a young child who has recently learned to walk
147. co\_\_\_\_\_t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract

ANSWERS: 136. secondhand, 137. privilege, 138. forth, 139. associate, 140. adolescent, 141. estimate, 142. highlight, 143. pronounced, 144. wrinkle, 145. fortunate, 146. toddler, 147. concept

148. income di\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things
149. pat\_\_\_\_\_ng behavior *adj.* displaying an air of condescension or superiority towards others, often in a way that comes across as insincere or manipulative; demonstrating a condescending or dismissive attitude
150. take ad\_\_\_\_\_ge of his weak points *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
151. ov\_\_\_\_\_te the importance *v.* to exaggerate or make something seem more important or serious than it is
152. improved student ou\_\_\_\_\_es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
153. tre\_\_\_\_\_us popularity *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
154. con\_\_\_\_\_ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
155. pro\_\_\_\_\_ate representation *adj.* having a proper or suitable balance in size, amount, or degree; corresponding or in proportion to something else
156. boundless am\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
157. a bold hyp\_\_\_\_\_is *n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
158. draw an\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept

ANSWERS: 148. disparity, 149. patronizing, 150. advantage, 151. overstate, 152. outcome, 153. tremendous, 154. conversation, 155. proportionate, 156. ambition, 157. hypothesis, 158. analogy

159. an active to\_\_\_\_r *n.* a young child who has recently learned to walk
160. surgical int\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
161. unc\_\_\_\_\_nal forgiveness *adj.* not subject to any conditions; absolute or complete; not limited by any qualifications or restrictions
162. en\_\_\_l in a school *v.* to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service
163. pro\_\_\_\_\_ate response *adj.* having a proper or suitable balance in size, amount, or degree; corresponding or in proportion to something else
164. def\_\_\_\_\_ve answer *adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed
165. environmental det\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
166. unc\_\_\_\_\_nal support *adj.* not subject to any conditions; absolute or complete; not limited by any qualifications or restrictions
167. im\_\_\_\_\_e the test score *v.* to make or become better
168. hi\_\_\_\_\_ht a string in red *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
169. a combative im\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a sudden strong and unreflective wish or need to do something; the electrical discharge that travels along a nerve fiber

ANSWERS: 159. toddler, 160. intervention, 161. unconditional, 162. enroll, 163. proportionate, 164. definitive, 165. determinant, 166. unconditional, 167. improve, 168. highlight, 169. impulse

170. with respect to et\_\_\_\_\_ty                    *n.* the cultural characteristics of a particular group, such as language, religion, and traditions, that distinguish them from other groups
171. st\_\_\_\_\_le to get the job                    *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
172. anthropology lab\_\_\_\_\_ry                    *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
173. student ach\_\_\_\_\_nt                    *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
174. pos\_\_\_\_\_ty of a major earthquake                    *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
175. es\_\_\_\_\_te this chicken to weigh three pounds                    *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
176. a def\_\_\_\_\_ve edition                    *adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed
177. in\_\_\_\_\_ve judgment                    *adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof
178. a det\_\_\_\_\_nt of crop yields                    *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
179. in\_\_\_\_\_ne between quarreling parties                    *v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse

ANSWERS: 170. ethnicity, 171. struggle, 172. laboratory, 173. achievement, 174. possibility, 175. estimate, 176. definitive, 177. intuitive, 178. determinant, 179. intervene

180. research on co_____ve psychology	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to mental processes of understanding
181. health po____y	<i>n.</i> a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
182. re_____t a new hire	<i>v.</i> to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
183. field of artificial int_____nce	<i>n.</i> the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
184. lab_____ry accident	<i>n.</i> a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
185. em_____al health	<i>adj.</i> relating to people's feelings
186. a desirable ou_____e	<i>n.</i> the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
187. em_____ng technologies	<i>adj.</i> starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
188. make a pr_____e	<i>n.</i> a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn
189. im_____e a process	<i>v.</i> to make or become better
190. the cycle of po_____y	<i>n.</i> the condition of being extremely poor
191. re_____ve factors	<i>adj.</i> considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

ANSWERS: 180. cognitive, 181. policy, 182. recruit, 183. intelligence, 184. laboratory, 185. emotional, 186. outcome, 187. emerging, 188. premise, 189. improve, 190. poverty, 191. relative



192. eco\_\_\_\_\_al use of her time *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
193. kin\_\_\_\_\_ten teacher *n.* a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six
194. official sta\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
195. economic d\_\_m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
196. gr\_\_\_\_\_te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
197. cir\_\_\_\_\_nce of injury *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
198. bring fo\_\_h a beautiful vase *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
199. ex\_\_\_\_\_ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
200. the ul\_\_\_\_\_te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
201. enc\_\_\_\_\_ng approval *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
202. climate var\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the fact or quality of something being likely to vary

ANSWERS: 192. economical, 193. kindergarten, 194. statistics, 195. doom, 196. graduate, 197. circumstance, 198. forth, 199. exciting, 200. ultimate, 201. encouraging, 202. variability

203. the per_____ve of the battle	<i>n.</i>	a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
204. ex__t influence	<i>v.</i>	to put forth effort; to put into action; to bring into play
205. an am_____on for political power	<i>n.</i>	a strong wish to do or achieve something
206. no_____l interest rate	<i>adj.</i>	being something in name only; insignificantly small, minimal, or minor
207. ove_____ing majority	<i>adj.</i>	very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
208. kin_____ten class	<i>n.</i>	a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six
209. the branch of neu_____nce	<i>n.</i>	the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
210. co_____te to the size	<i>v.</i>	to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another
211. a ra_____m choice	<i>adj.</i>	made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
212. env_____nt affairs	<i>n.</i>	the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

ANSWERS: 203. perspective, 204. exert, 205. ambition, 206. nominal, 207. overwhelming, 208. kindergarten, 209. neuroscience, 210. correlate, 211. random, 212. environment

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ in a cooking class to improve my culinary skills.
  - v. to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service
  
2. The company has a diverse workforce representing different \_\_\_\_\_ and backgrounds.
  - n. the cultural characteristics of a particular group, such as language, religion, and traditions, that distinguish them from other groups
  
3. It is said that our \_\_\_\_\_ is written in the stars.
  - n. the events that will inevitably happen to a particular person or thing in the future
  
4. This \_\_\_\_\_ has never been formally accepted.
  - n. a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
  
5. One such rapidly growing \_\_\_\_\_ is quantum cryptography.
  - n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract
  
6. The findings of the experiment were both \_\_\_\_\_ and unexpected.
  - adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement
  
7. Your \_\_\_\_\_ reflects your thoughts.
  - n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
  
8. His father's death changed his whole \_\_\_\_\_ on life.
  - n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

ANSWERS: 1. enroll, 2. ethnicity, 3. destiny, 4. achievement, 5. concept, 6. exciting, 7. conversation, 8. perspective

9. The book's \_\_\_\_\_ is that the main character must save the world from an impending disaster.
- n.* a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn
10. This evidence supports the big-bang \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
11. I pushed \_\_\_\_\_ with my new project, even though it would take much hard work.
- adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
12. She's a \_\_\_\_\_ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
- adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
13. They awaited news of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the election.
- n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
14. This \_\_\_\_\_ does not require the patient's consent.
- n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
15. He has shown signs of uneasiness and \_\_\_\_\_ worry.
- adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
16. We had a \_\_\_\_\_ time yesterday.
- adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

ANSWERS: 9. premise, 10. hypothesis, 11. forth, 12. responsible, 13. outcome, 14. intervention, 15. overwhelming, 16. tremendous

17. There is a significant \_\_\_\_\_ in pay between men and women in the company.

*n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things

18. I had an \_\_\_\_\_ feeling that I might be pregnant.

*adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof

19. The couple began to \_\_\_\_\_ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

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

20. He was excited to find a vintage suit at the \_\_\_\_\_ shop for a fraction of the price of a new one.

*adj.* having been previously owned or used by someone else

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

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

22. She \_\_\_\_\_ her parents to let her go to the concert.

*v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something

23. This suit is made of \_\_\_\_\_ material.

*n.* a small line or fold in something, especially fabric or the skin of the face; a minor difficulty

24. Greed and \_\_\_\_\_ composed his personality.

*n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something

ANSWERS: 17. disparity, 18. intuitive, 19. argue, 20. secondhand, 21. absolutely, 22. begged, 23. wrinkle-proof, 24. ambition

25. We want to \_\_\_\_\_ ties between our two countries.  
*v.* to make or become better
26. Many employers hire \_\_\_\_\_ trainees to train as managers.  
*n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
27. His \_\_\_\_\_ faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.  
*adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding
28. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
29. The manager's attitude towards his employees was \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* displaying an air of condescension or superiority towards others, often in a way that comes across as insincere or manipulative; demonstrating a condescending or dismissive attitude
30. The colonial government \_\_\_\_\_ militia support when civil war broke out.  
*v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
31. As an \_\_\_\_\_ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.  
*n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
32. She received her \_\_\_\_\_ in psychology from the university.  
*n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

ANSWERS: 25. improve, 26. graduate, 27. cognitive, 28. emerged, 29. patronizing, 30. recruited, 31. individual, 32. degree

33. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
34. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
35. Researchers are currently studying the potential of \_\_\_\_\_ to treat conditions such as depression and anxiety.
- n.* the ability of the brain to change and reorganize itself in response to new experiences, learning, or injury, by creating new neural connections and pathways
36. She explained the \_\_\_\_\_ surrounding the accident.
- n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
37. To assure \_\_\_\_\_ I recommend investing in high-quality test kits.
- n.* the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake
38. You should not \_\_\_\_\_ against minorities.
- v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
39. The government promised to \_\_\_\_\_ a new system to control the financial crisis.
- v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect

ANSWERS: 33. statistics, 34. importance, 35. neuroplasticity, 36. circumstances, 37. accuracy, 38. discriminate, 39. implement

40. The drought \_\_\_\_\_ the prices of grain globally.

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

41. The election was a \_\_\_\_\_ success for the Whigs.

- adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special

42. One of the main \_\_\_\_\_ of the new product is its increased efficiency.

- n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

43. Her love for him was \_\_\_\_\_ despite all of his flaws.

- adj.* not subject to any conditions; absolute or complete; not limited by any qualifications or restrictions

44. The company's new \_\_\_\_\_ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

- n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

45. 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

46. The test results were \_\_\_\_\_ and showed improvement.

- adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring

47. Please don't \_\_\_\_\_ me while I'm studying.

- v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

ANSWERS: 40. lifted, 41. remarkable, 42. advantages, 43. unconditional, 44. policy, 45. environment, 46. encouraging, 47. distract



48. The cerebral \_\_\_\_\_ consists of six layers.

*n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain

49. 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

50. Using proper \_\_\_\_\_ is essential for writing a good essay.

*n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

51. The \_\_\_\_\_ students were having a good time playing with toys.

*n.* a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six

52. There is considerable \_\_\_\_\_ in all the test scores.

*n.* the fact or quality of something being likely to vary

53. She wore her best dress for the special \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

54. Animal protection groups call for an end to animal testing in a \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab

55. The study provided \_\_\_\_\_ proof of the effectiveness of the new drug.

*adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed

ANSWERS: 48. cortex, 49. develop, 50. vocabulary, 51. kindergarten, 52. variability, 53. occasion, 54. laboratory, 55. definitive

56. The government should do more to \_\_\_\_\_ sustainable agribusiness.  
*v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
57. Management must take \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility for the accident.  
*adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
58. The \_\_\_\_\_ in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.  
*n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
59. In terms of \_\_\_\_\_ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.  
*n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
60. A \_\_\_\_\_ needs constant supervision and firm control.  
*n.* a young child who has recently learned to walk
61. We \_\_\_\_\_ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.  
*v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
62. Some kinds of machine learning models show an \_\_\_\_\_ to how people learn.  
*n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept
63. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
64. 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

ANSWERS: 56. promote, 57. ultimate, 58. reduction, 59. intelligence, 60. toddler, 61. estimated, 62. analogy, 63. relatives, 64. brain

65. The MRI showed activity in the \_\_\_\_\_ region of the patient's brain.

*adj.* relating to or located in the outer layer of an organ or body structure, particularly the cortex of the brain

66. We may frequently \_\_\_\_\_ age with the frequency of disease.

*v.* to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another

67. The chef's herbs and spices gave the dish a \_\_\_\_\_ flavor.

*adj.* clearly and distinctly expressed or noticeable; emphasized

68. The judge ruled that the punishment be \_\_\_\_\_ to the crime committed.

*adj.* having a proper or suitable balance in size, amount, or degree; corresponding or in proportion to something else

69. When the first molecule in the \_\_\_\_\_ receives a signal, it activates other molecules.

*n.* a track that constitutes or serves as a path; an approach or a way of doing something

70. His membership in the \_\_\_\_\_ provided him with numerous benefits.

*n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship

71. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

ANSWERS: 65. cortical, 66. correlate, 67. pronounced, 68. proportionate, 69. pathway, 70. association, 71. background

72. This food contains all the \_\_\_\_\_ your dog requires.  
*n.* the substances or the process that organisms take into their bodies as food for their growth and health
73. The \_\_\_\_\_ of getting the disease will drastically increase.  
*n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
74. Nerve \_\_\_\_\_ cross a synapse through the action of neurotransmitters.  
*n.* a sudden strong and unreflective wish or need to do something; the electrical discharge that travels along a nerve fiber
75. The construction industry is labor \_\_\_\_\_ although it has been somewhat automated by introducing large machinery.  
*adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
76. The \_\_\_\_\_ fee for the concert tickets was only \$10.  
*adj.* being something in name only; insignificantly small, minimal, or minor
77. 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
78. The organizational \_\_\_\_\_ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.  
*n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
79. Everyone was aware of the impending \_\_\_\_\_ but was unable to prevent it.  
*n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

ANSWERS: 72. nutrition, 73. possibility, 74. impulses, 75. intensive, 76. nominal, 77. regulation, 78. structure, 79. doom

80. Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
81. In several countries, child \_\_\_\_\_ is a serious social problem.
- n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
82. He could not \_\_\_\_\_ against temptation.
- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
83. The long \_\_\_\_\_ to the air tarnished the antique tableware.
- n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
84. Timely education about birth control might help reduce \_\_\_\_\_ pregnancies.
- n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult
85. Human \_\_\_\_\_ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
- adj.* relating to people's feelings
86. 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

ANSWERS: 80. neuroscience, 81. labor, 82. struggle, 83. exposure, 84. adolescent, 85. emotional, 86. disadvantage

87. To find drunk drivers, police conduct \_\_\_\_\_ tests.

*adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

88. It is more \_\_\_\_\_ to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

*adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

89. The introduction \_\_\_\_\_ the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant

*v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention

90. Maximum heart rates \_\_\_\_\_ a lot for each individual.

*v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

91. New York is a city with a \_\_\_\_\_ ethnic population.

*adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

92. The patient experienced a \_\_\_\_\_ hemorrhage and required surgery.

*adj.* relating to the brain or intellect; intellectual or studious rather than emotional or physical

93. 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

94. Many multinational companies are \_\_\_\_\_ in the reconstruction of that country.

*v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

ANSWERS: 87. random, 88. economical, 89. highlighted, 90. vary, 91. diverse, 92. cerebral, 93. privilege, 94. engaged

95. He tends to \_\_\_\_\_ his accomplishments to impress others.

*v.* to exaggerate or make something seem more important or serious than it is

96. The smell of freshly baked cookies in the kitchen \_\_\_\_\_ me.

*v.* to tease or torment by presenting something desirable but out of reach or unattainable; to tempt or lure with the promise of something desirable

97. 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

98. Many studies have investigated the relationship between \_\_\_\_\_ and academic achievement.

*n.* the condition of being extremely poor

99. \_\_\_\_\_ technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.

*adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known

100. He was pretty \_\_\_\_\_ to pass the exam.

*adj.* having good luck or lucky

101. He \_\_\_\_\_ himself to lift the heavyweight.

*v.* to put forth effort; to put into action; to bring into play

102. This remote \_\_\_\_\_ is rarely visited.

*n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

ANSWERS: 95. overstate, 96. tantalized, 97. intervene, 98. poverty, 99. Emerging, 100. fortunate, 101. exerted, 102. spot

103. The \_\_\_\_\_ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

- n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

104. The eagle \_\_\_\_\_ down from the sky to catch its prey.

- v.* to rapidly or forcefully descend upon something or someone from a great height or distance; to rush or pounce upon

105. The majority of consumers \_\_\_\_\_ this brand with quality.

- v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

106. One \_\_\_\_\_ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

- n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

ANSWERS: 103. debate, 104. swooped, 105. associate, 106. determinant