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Session 1: Word List

amass

v. to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something over time; to collect or assemble for future use or reference

synonym: gather, collect, accumulate

(1) **amass** a patent portfolio, (2) **amass** followers

She had **amassed** a fortune through wise investments and shrewd business decisions.

investigation

n. the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime, problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth

synonym: examination, analysis, inspection

(1) a preliminary **investigation**, (2) the scope of an **investigation**

We have never before conducted a legitimate **investigation**.

celebrated

adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes

synonym: acclaimed, notable, prominent

(1) **celebrated** artist, (2) **celebrated** paper

Three **celebrated** tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

inquiry

n. the act or process of asking a question or asking for information; an official process of investigating a matter

of public interest

synonym: question, research, exploration

(1) **inquiry** about the product, (2) launch an **inquiry**

Our tech support responds to the first **inquiry** exceptionally promptly.

investigate

v. to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth

synonym: examine, analyze, look into

(1) **investigate** the matter, (2) **investigate** a data leak

The committee **investigated** several apparent inconsistencies.

fraction

n. a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers

synonym: piece, part, fragment

(1) a **fractional** share of the vote, (2) a numerator in a **fraction**

He spent only a **fraction** of his earnings.

hound

v. to persistently pursue, harass, or pressure someone or something, often in a negative or unwelcome way;
(noun) a type of dog, often bred for hunting that has a keen sense of smell and is known for its persistence and tenacity

synonym: chase, badger, annoy

(1) beagle **hound**, (2) **hound** him for payment

The paparazzi constantly **hound** celebrities for a photo or a story.

loom

v. to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way

synonym: appear, come on, overshadow

(1) **loom** over the global economy, (2) **loom** on the horizon

The issue of divorce **loomed** large in his mind.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym: fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

preach

v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

synonym: expound, advocate, sermonize

(1) **preach** the gospel, (2) **preach** to the masses

The pastor **preached** about the importance of forgiveness.

sermon

n. a speech or lecture given by a religious leader, especially a minister or priest, as part of a worship service

synonym: homily, discourse, lecture

(1) lengthy **sermon**, (2) a lay **sermon**

The preacher delivered a powerful **sermon** on the importance of forgiveness.

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.

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.

church

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

synonym: chapel, cathedral, synagogue

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

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

stance

n. a way of thinking about something, especially expressed publicly; attitude or position of a standing person or animal

synonym: attitude, standpoint, viewpoint

(1) change her **stance**, (2) the batting **stance**

He continued to support her political **stance**.

racial

adj. of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

synonym: ethnic, tribal, ethnical

(1) **racial** prejudice, (2) **racial** and ethnic backgrounds

A minor **racial** conflict later led to a civil war.

inequality

n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others;
(mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

synonym: imbalance, prejudice, unfairness

(1) **inequality** in salary, (2) algebraic **inequality**

There are several causes of economic **inequality** within societies.

homosexual

adj. sexually attracted to people of one's own sex

synonym: gay, same-sex attracted

(1) **homosexual** rights, (2) **homosexual** marriage

The law was repealed to protect the rights of **homosexual** citizens.

novel

n. an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before

synonym : fiction, story, (adjective) innovative

(1) historical **novel**, (2) **novel** effect

The **novel** has largely gotten positive feedback.

essay

n. a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study

synonym : paper, commentary, report

(1) score the SAT **essays**, (2) thoughtful **essay**

The Chief editor checks all **essays** for plagiarism with software.

odd

adj. strange or unexpected; not divisible by two

synonym : strange, bizarre, abnormal

(1) in an **odd** way, (2) **odd** behavior

His grandfather was an **odd** man.

inescapable

adj. impossible to avoid or evade

synonym : unavoidable, inevitable, ineluctable

(1) **inescapable** fate, (2) an **inescapable** position

The consequences of his actions were **inescapable**, and he had to face the consequences.

constantly

adv. all the time

synonym : continuously, always, frequently

(1) a **constantly** innovative enterprise, (2) a **constantly** varying mind

The mobile application industry is **constantly** changing.

confront

v. to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person

synonym : engage, encounter, contend

(1) **confront** a global warming, (2) **confront** the issue

He finally decided to **confront** problems directly.

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.

homophobia

n. a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

synonym: prejudice, discrimination, bigotry

(1) **homophobia** awareness, (2) **homophobia** in sports

The politician's remarks about same-sex marriage revealed his deep-seated **homophobia**.

disillusion

v. to disappoint someone or something because you found that something you believed in or hoped for was not as it seemed

synonym: disenchant, disappoint, embitter

(1) **disillusion** the young, (2) **disillusion** him about reality

She felt **disillusioned** with the management and decided to leave.

yearn

v. to strongly desire or long for something

synonym: long, desire, crave

(1) **yearn** after my old days, (2) **yearn** for love

She **yearned** for the days when things were simpler.

restricted

adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

synonym: limited, determinate, fixed

(1) **restricted** area, (2) lactose **restricted** diet

The country has designated our products as **restricted** import goods.

fellowship

n. an association of people who share common interests or goals, typically involving research, study, or a specific profession

synonym : association, society, group

(1) research **fellowship**, (2) postdoctoral **fellowship**

The **fellowship** of scientists worked together to conduct research and make important discoveries.

repress

v. to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories

synonym : suppress, control, curb

(1) cannot **repress** laughter, (2) **repress** gene expression

He **repressed** the memories of his traumatic childhood.

acclaim

n. praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly

synonym : praise, admiration, welcome

(1) **acclaim** the winner, (2) treated with royal **acclaim**

The actor's performance in the play earned her widespread **acclaim** from the theater community.

fiction

n. the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true

synonym : fantasy, fable, invention

(1) stuff of science **fiction**, (2) non- **fiction** bestseller

Truth is stranger than **fiction**.

exile

n. the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons

synonym : banishment, expulsion, deportation

(1) **exile** community, (2) political **exile**

The **exiled** king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.

extended

adj. longer than usual or anticipated

synonym : extensive, prolonged, elongated

(1) **extended** vacation, (2) **extended** payment

The **extended** airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

native

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

synonym : endemic, domestic, aboriginal

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

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

movement

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

synonym : motion, progression, action

(1) a circular **movement**, (2) **movement** of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

increment

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

synonym : increase, expansion, addendum

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

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

registration

n. the process of recording or enrolling for a particular course or event; the action or process of officially recording or enrolling something, such as a name or trademark

synonym : enrollment, registry, record-keeping

(1) **registration** agency, (2) **registration** for a course

The online **registration** process was quick and easy to complete.

deny

v. to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

synonym : refute, reject, repudiate

(1) adamantly **deny** killing, (2) **deny** the allegations

He is still **denying** stealing the money from the cash register.

dignity

n. the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station

synonym : grace, elegance, nobility

(1) respect for human **dignity**, (2) retain everyone's **dignity**

The failure destroyed his trust and personal **dignity**.

primarily

adv. mainly

synonym : largely, mainly, mostly

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

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

invest

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

synonym : fund, sponsor, support

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

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

keen

adj. having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest

synonym : eager, enthusiastic, ardent

(1) **keen** interest, (2) **keen** observation

He was **keen** to learn more about the subject and attended every lecture.

fulfill

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

synonym : satisfy, complete, accomplish

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

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

spiral

n. a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around

synonym: coil, helix, twist

(1) **spiral** staircase, (2) **spiral** design

The leaves of the fern were arranged in a **spiral** pattern.

addiction

n. the inability to stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful

synonym: dependence

(1) alcohol **addiction**, (2) **addiction** to foreign oil

He is now fighting his **addiction** to drugs.

incarceration

n. the state of being confined in prison or jail

synonym: confinement, imprisonment, detention

(1) mass **incarceration**, (2) **incarceration** rates

The judge sentenced him to five years of **incarceration** for embezzlement.

suicide

n. the act of killing yourself intentionally

synonym: self-destruction, self-annihilation, felo-de-se

(1) commit **suicide**, (2) **suicide** attack

In an economically prosperous country, most male **suicide** is due to child support problems.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym: root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

constraint

n. a limit or restriction on something, such as an action, behavior, or thought

synonym: limitation, restriction, bound

(1) **constraint** on business activity, (2) strict time **constraints**

The budget **constraint** forced them to make difficult decisions.

segregate

v. to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic

synonym : isolate, separate, divide

(1) **segregate** by race, (2) **segregate** boys and girls

The school board decided to **segregate** students by the ability to meet their needs better.

arresting

adj. attracting attention or interest; striking or impressive in appearance or effect; halting or stopping the movement or progress of something

synonym : striking, impressive, captivating

(1) an **arresting** image, (2) an **arresting** sight

The painting's **arresting** beauty made it difficult to look away.

portrait

n. a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face

synonym : illustration, image, portraiture

(1) a **portrait** painter, (2) **portrait** of a well-known figure

A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's **portrait**.

strife

n. conflict or disagreement, especially between people or groups

synonym : conflict, disagreement, dissension

(1) at **strife** over the land, (2) civil **strife**

The country has been wracked by political **strife** for many years.

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.

inextricable

adj. unable to be separated or escaped from
synonym : inescapable, inseparable, entangled

(1) an **inextricable** part of life, (2) form an **inextricable** bond

The knot was **inextricable**, and she had to use scissors to cut it.

enmesh

v. to entangle or involve someone or something in a complicated or difficult situation; to catch or trap as if in a net or mesh; to become entangled or caught up in something

synonym : entangle, trap, ensnare

(1) **enmesh** the fly in its web, (2) become **enmeshed** in legal battles

Her family drama **enmeshed** her in a web of lies and deceit.

fabric

n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

synonym : cloth, material, goods

(1) a hand-loomed **fabric**, (2) **fabric** of creation

These synthetic **fabrics** are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

trap

n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

synonym : catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal

The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

observe

v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

synonym : watch, monitor, scrutinize

(1) **observe** a tradition, (2) **observe** wildlife

It is important to **observe** safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

attend

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

synonym : go, be present, accompany

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

We must **attend** to this matter.

rally

v. a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm

synonym : gathering, meetup, demonstration

(1) **rally** in front of the embassy, (2) the preliminary **rally**

There was a massive police presence at the anti-government **rally**.

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.

politician

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

synonym : congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

(1) a **politician** in the ruling party, (2) a corrupt **politician**

The **politician** lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

liaison

n. a close or professional relationship between people or organizations; a connection or communication between different groups, departments, or organizations; a person who acts as an intermediary or go-between in such relationships

synonym :

connection, affiliation, relationship

(1) **liaison** officer, (2) business **liaison**

The public relations officer acted as a **liaison** between the government and the media during the crisis.

intellect

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

articulate

v. to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language

synonym: express, state, utter

(1) **articulate** his position, (2) eloquently **articulate**

She was able to **articulate** her argument in the debate clearly.

turbulence

n. a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often accompanied by violent or disruptive activity or behavior, such as air turbulence during a flight

synonym: choppiness, tumult, agitation

(1) financial **turbulence**, (2) emotional **turbulence**

The ride on the rollercoaster was full of dips and turns, creating a feeling of **turbulence**.

ambassador

n. a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization

synonym: envoy, diplomat, representative

(1) **ambassador** for football, (2) send an **ambassador** abroad

The **ambassador** of peace met with government officials to discuss bilateral relations.

label

n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

synonym: tag, mark, identifier

(1) a mailing **label**, (2) **label** a bag with my name

The **label** on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

reject

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

synonym: decline, turn down, repudiate

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

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

faculty

n. an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge

synonym: capability, talent, aptitude

(1) a member of the **faculty**, (2) the illative **faculty** of the mind

This university's computer science **faculty** is world distinguished.

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.

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**.

witness

n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident

synonym: onlooker, attestant, bystander

(1) **witness** of the car accident, (2) a material **witness**
The manufacturing industry is **witnessing** fierce competition.

peer

n. a person who has the same age, status, or ability

synonym: fellow, associate, counterpart

(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review
Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.

victory

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

synonym: win, triumph, success

(1) **victory** in the law court, (2) **victory** over terrorism
We are optimistic about our final **victory**.

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.

weigh

v. to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion

synonym: consider, cogitate, count

(1) **weigh** heavily on stock prices, (2) **weigh** a cargo
The baby **weighs** 1 pound 3 oz.

nuanced

adj. characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.

synonym: fine, subtle, slight

(1) **nuanced** view, (2) the common but **nuanced** opinion
The sommelier can distinguish **nuanced** variance in the flavor of the wine.

complexity

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory

The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

Session 2: Spelling

1. in_____y about the product
n. the act or process of asking a question or asking for information; an official process of investigating a matter of public interest
2. res_____ed area
adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.
3. official sta_____cs
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
4. business li_____n
n. a close or professional relationship between people or organizations; a connection or communication between different groups, departments, or organizations; a person who acts as an intermediary or go-between in such relationships
5. im_____ry pregnancy
adj. existing only in someone's mind
6. fa___c of creation
n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
7. hom_____al rights
adj. sexually attracted to people of one's own sex
8. intended pr_____ly for young people
adv. mainly
9. com_____ty theory
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

ANSWERS: 1. inquiry, 2. restricted, 3. statistics, 4. liaison, 5. imaginary, 6. fabric, 7. homosexual, 8. primarily, 9. complexity

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| 12. p__r review | <i>n.</i> a person who has the same age, status, or ability |
| 13. in an o_d way | <i>adj.</i> strange or unexpected; not divisible by two |
| 14. systemic ra___m | <i>n.</i> 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. re___t the proposal | <i>v.</i> to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone |
| 16. form an ine_____ble bond | <i>adj.</i> unable to be separated or escaped from |
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ANSWERS: 10. strife, 11. novel, 12. peer, 13. odd, 14. racism, 15. reject, 16. inextricable, 17. spiral, 18. inequality, 19. stance

20. ra___l and ethnic backgrounds *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
21. set a t__p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
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24. the longstanding co_____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
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27. commit su_____e *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
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29. the illative fa_____y of the mind *n.* an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge
30. li_____n officer *n.* a close or professional relationship between people or organizations; a connection or communication between different groups, departments, or organizations; a person who acts as an intermediary or go-between in such relationships

ANSWERS: 20. racial, 21. trap, 22. restricted, 23. amass, 24. conflict, 25. confront, 26. deny, 27. suicide, 28. primarily, 29. faculty, 30. liaison

31. small in_____nts *n.* a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important
32. mass inc_____ion *n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
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47. k__n observation *adj.* having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest
48. score the SAT es__ys *n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study
49. 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

ANSWERS: 40. exile, 41. extended, 42. dignity, 43. registration, 44. origin, 45. ambassador, 46. fiction, 47. keen, 48. essay, 49. threat

50. o_d behavior *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
51. d__y the allegations *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
52. ra__y in front of the embassy *v.* a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm
53. the common but nu____d opinion *adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.
54. a material wi____s *n.* a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
55. an ar____ng sight *adj.* attracting attention or interest; striking or impressive in appearance or effect; halting or stopping the movement or progress of something
56. pr____h to the masses *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
57. human in____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
58. wi____s of the car accident *n.* a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
59. in____t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
60. fu____l a contract *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
61. l__m over the global economy *v.* to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way

ANSWERS: 50. odd, 51. deny, 52. rally, 53. nuanced, 54. witness, 55. arresting, 56. preach, 57. intellect, 58. witness, 59. invest, 60. fulfill, 61. loom

62. ra___l prejudice *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
63. cel_____ed artist *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
64. vi_____y in the law court *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
65. research fel_____ip *n.* an association of people who share common interests or goals, typically involving research, study, or a specific profession
66. become en___hed in legal battles *v.* to entangle or involve someone or something in a complicated or difficult situation; to catch or trap as if in a net or mesh; to become entangled or caught up in something
67. dis_____on him about reality *v.* to disappoint someone or something because you found that something you believed in or hoped for was not as it seemed
68. a po_____it painter *n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
69. retain everyone's di_____y *n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
70. ine_____le fate *adj.* impossible to avoid or evade
71. se_____te by race *v.* to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic

ANSWERS: 62. racial, 63. celebrated, 64. victory, 65. fellowship, 66. enmesh, 67. disillusion, 68. portrait, 69. dignity, 70. inescapable, 71. segregate

72. hom_____ia in sports *n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity
73. strict time con_____nts *n.* a limit or restriction on something, such as an action, behavior, or thought
74. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
75. ra_____t corruption *adj.* (especially of something bad or unwelcome) flourishing or spreading everywhere in a way that cannot be controlled
76. the co_____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
77. a fr_____onal share of the vote *n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers
78. at____d service *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
79. a con_____ly varying mind *adv.* all the time
80. launch an in_____y *n.* the act or process of asking a question or asking for information; an official process of investigating a matter of public interest

ANSWERS: 72. homophobia, 73. constraint, 74. movement, 75. rampant, 76. conflict, 77. fraction, 78. attend, 79. constantly, 80. inquiry

81. de___e competition *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
82. at___d a meeting *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
83. nu____d view *adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.
84. algebraic ine____ty *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
85. cognitive com____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
86. postdoctoral fel____ip *n.* an association of people who share common interests or goals, typically involving research, study, or a specific profession
87. a mailing la__l *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
88. we__h a cargo *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
89. ho__d him for payment *v.* to persistently pursue, harass, or pressure someone or something, often in a negative or unwelcome way; (noun) a type of dog, often bred for hunting that has a keen sense of smell and is known for its persistence and tenacity

ANSWERS: 81. debate, 82. attend, 83. nuanced, 84. inequality, 85. complexity, 86. fellowship, 87. label, 88. weigh, 89. hound

90. an ine_____le position *adj.* impossible to avoid or evade
91. inc_____ion rates *n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
92. con_____nt on business activity *n.* a limit or restriction on something, such as an action, behavior, or thought
93. 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
94. political ex__e *n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
95. a con_____ly innovative enterprise *adv.* all the time
96. 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
97. cannot re_____s laughter *v.* to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories
98. fu_____l a lifetime dream *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
99. 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

ANSWERS: 90. inescapable, 91. incarceration, 92. constraint, 93. argue, 94. exile, 95. constantly, 96. develop, 97. repress, 98. fulfill, 99. racism

100. emotional tur_____ce *n.* a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often accompanied by violent or disruptive activity or behavior, such as air turbulence during a flight
101. an ar_____ng image *adj.* attracting attention or interest; striking or impressive in appearance or effect; halting or stopping the movement or progress of something
102. we__h heavily on stock prices *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
103. ra_____t growth of weeds *adj.* (especially of something bad or unwelcome) flourishing or spreading everywhere in a way that cannot be controlled
104. the preliminary ra__y *v.* a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm
105. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
106. sp___l design *n.* a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around
107. re_____s gene expression *v.* to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories
108. a numerator in a fr_____on *n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers

ANSWERS: 100. turbulence, 101. arresting, 102. weigh, 103. rampant, 104. rally, 105. movement, 106. spiral, 107. repress, 108. fraction

109. hom_____ia awareness *n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity
110. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
111. ac_____m the winner *n.* praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly
112. ad_____on to foreign oil *n.* the inability to stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
113. stuff of science fi_____n *n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
114. in____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
115. p__r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
116. inv_____te the matter *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth

ANSWERS: 109. homophobia, 110. intellect, 111. acclaim, 112. addiction, 113. fiction, 114. invest, 115. peer, 116. investigate

117. small ch___h *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
118. ob_____e wildlife *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
119. eloquently art_____te *v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
120. ye__n for love *v.* to strongly desire or long for something
121. the scope of an inv_____ion *n.* the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime, problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth
122. 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
123. financial tur_____ce *n.* a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often accompanied by violent or disruptive activity or behavior, such as air turbulence during a flight
124. beagle ho__d *v.* to persistently pursue, harass, or pressure someone or something, often in a negative or unwelcome way; (noun) a type of dog, often bred for hunting that has a keen sense of smell and is known for its persistence and tenacity

ANSWERS: 117. church, 118. observe, 119. articulate, 120. yearn, 121. investigation, 122. argue, 123. turbulence, 124. hound

125. t__p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
126. l__m on the horizon *v.* to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way
127. k__n interest *adj.* having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest
128. a corrupt pol_____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
129. co_____nt a global warming *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
130. en___h the fly in its web *v.* to entangle or involve someone or something in a complicated or difficult situation; to catch or trap as if in a net or mesh; to become entangled or caught up in something
131. lengthy se___n *n.* a speech or lecture given by a religious leader, especially a minister or priest, as part of a worship service
132. steady in_____ntal growth *n.* a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important
133. amb_____or for football *n.* a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization

ANSWERS: 125. trap, 126. loom, 127. keen, 128. politician, 129. confront, 130. enmesh, 131. sermon, 132. increment, 133. ambassador

134. vi_____y over terrorism *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
135. a preliminary inv_____ion *n.* the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime, problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth
136. alcohol ad_____on *n.* the inability to stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
137. ex_____ed payment *adj.* longer than usual or anticipated
138. su_____e attack *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
139. dis_____on the young *v.* to disappoint someone or something because you found that something you believed in or hoped for was not as it seemed
140. 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
141. am__s a patent portfolio *v.* to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something over time; to collect or assemble for future use or reference
142. cel_____ed paper *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
143. an ine_____ble part of life *adj.* unable to be separated or escaped from
144. civil st___e *n.* conflict or disagreement, especially between people or groups

ANSWERS: 134. victory, 135. investigation, 136. addiction, 137. extended, 138. suicide, 139. disillusion, 140. develop, 141. amass, 142. celebrated, 143. inextricable, 144. strife

145. a member of the fa____y *n.* an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge
146. a lay se____n *n.* a speech or lecture given by a religious leader, especially a minister or priest, as part of a worship service
147. ye__n after my old days *v.* to strongly desire or long for something
148. inv____te a data leak *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
149. or____n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
150. thoughtful es__y *n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study
151. a hand-loomed fa____c *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
152. sta____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
153. art____te his position *v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
154. 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

ANSWERS: 145. faculty, 146. sermon, 147. yearn, 148. investigate, 149. origin, 150. essay, 151. fabric, 152. statistics, 153. articulate, 154. debate

155. re___t all imperfect merchandise *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
156. ob_____e a tradition *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
157. se_____te boys and girls *v.* to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic
158. pr___h the gospel *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
159. hom_____al marriage *adj.* sexually attracted to people of one's own sex
160. na___e to Africa *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
161. reg_____ion agency *n.* the process of recording or enrolling for a particular course or event; the action or process of officially recording or enrolling something, such as a name or trademark
162. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
163. la__l a bag with my name *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

ANSWERS: 155. reject, 156. observe, 157. segregate, 158. preach, 159. homosexual, 160. native, 161. registration, 162. politician, 163. label

164. na___e language

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

ANSWERS: 164. native

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The law was repealed to protect the rights of _____ citizens.
adj. sexually attracted to people of one's own sex
2. The _____ of scientists worked together to conduct research and make important discoveries.
n. an association of people who share common interests or goals, typically involving research, study, or a specific profession
3. The committee _____ several apparent inconsistencies.
v. to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
4. 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
5. A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's _____.
n. a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
6. He is now fighting his _____ to drugs.
n. the inability to stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
7. A minor _____ conflict later led to a civil war.
adj. of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

ANSWERS: 1. homosexual, 2. fellowship, 3. investigated, 4. racism, 5. portrait, 6. addiction, 7. racial

8. The knot was _____ and she had to use scissors to cut it.
adj. unable to be separated or escaped from
9. 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
10. The paparazzi constantly _____ celebrities for a photo or a story.
v. to persistently pursue, harass, or pressure someone or something, often in a negative or unwelcome way; (noun) a type of dog, often bred for hunting that has a keen sense of smell and is known for its persistence and tenacity
11. Three _____ tenors performed during the president's inauguration.
adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes
12. The failure destroyed his trust and personal _____.
n. the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
13. The online _____ process was quick and easy to complete.
n. the process of recording or enrolling for a particular course or event; the action or process of officially recording or enrolling something, such as a name or trademark
14. The enemy fell right into the _____.
n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
15. 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

ANSWERS: 8. inextricable, 9. develop, 10. hound, 11. celebrated, 12. dignity, 13. registration, 14. trap, 15. debate

16. These synthetic _____ are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.
- n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
17. The leaves of the fern were arranged in a _____ pattern.
- n.* a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around
18. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
- n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
19. The _____ king lived in poverty in a foreign country for many years.
- n.* the state of being forced to leave one's country or home, typically for political or punitive reasons
20. He continued to support her political _____.
- n.* a way of thinking about something, especially expressed publicly; attitude or position of a standing person or animal
21. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.
- n.* the first existence or beginning of something
22. The preacher delivered a powerful _____ on the importance of forgiveness.
- n.* a speech or lecture given by a religious leader, especially a minister or priest, as part of a worship service
23. The Chief editor checks all _____ for plagiarism with software.
- n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study

ANSWERS: 16. fabrics, 17. spiral, 18. movement, 19. exiled, 20. stance, 21. origin, 22. sermon, 23. essays

24. The actor's performance in the play earned her widespread _____ from the theater community.
- n.* praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly
25. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
26. The politician's remarks about same-sex marriage revealed his deep-seated _____.
- n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity
27. We have never before conducted a legitimate _____.
- n.* the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime, problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth
28. The bid _____ for this auction is \$100.
- n.* a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important
29. He _____ the memories of his traumatic childhood.
- v.* to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories
30. The ride on the rollercoaster was full of dips and turns, creating a feeling of _____.
- n.* a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often accompanied by violent or disruptive activity or behavior, such as air turbulence during a flight

ANSWERS: 24. acclaim, 25. statistics, 26. homophobia, 27. investigation, 28. increment, 29. repressed, 30. turbulence

31. The _____ has largely gotten positive feedback.
n. an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
32. She _____ for the days when things were simpler.
v. to strongly desire or long for something
33. 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
34. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.
v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
35. Little children tend to have _____ friends.
adj. existing only in someone's mind
36. He finally decided to _____ problems directly.
v. to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
37. In an economically prosperous country, most male _____ is due to child support problems.
n. the act of killing yourself intentionally
38. The consequences of his actions were _____ and he had to face the consequences.
adj. impossible to avoid or evade

ANSWERS: 31. novel, 32. yearned, 33. conflicts, 34. rejected, 35. imaginary, 36. confront, 37. suicide, 38. inescapable,

39. The manufacturing industry is _____ fierce competition.
n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
40. It is important to _____ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.
v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
41. 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
42. 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
43. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
44. The public relations officer acted as a _____ between the government and the media during the crisis.
n. a close or professional relationship between people or organizations; a connection or communication between different groups, departments, or organizations; a person who acts as an intermediary or go-between in such relationships
45. It was the first time for her, but she _____ the role of Priest.
v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

ANSWERS: 39. witnessing, 40. observe, 41. argue, 42. rampant, 43. complexity, 44. liaison, 45. fulfilled

46. The sommelier can distinguish _____ variance in the flavor of the wine.

adj. characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.

47. The country has designated our products as _____ import goods.

adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

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

adv. mainly

49. Her family drama _____ her in a web of lies and deceit.

v. to entangle or involve someone or something in a complicated or difficult situation; to catch or trap as if in a net or mesh; to become entangled or caught up in something

50. The vegetation here is almost wholly _____.

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

51. The painting's _____ beauty made it difficult to look away.

adj. attracting attention or interest; striking or impressive in appearance or effect; halting or stopping the movement or progress of something

52. The _____ airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

adj. longer than usual or anticipated

53. She was able to _____ her argument in the debate clearly.

v. to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language

54. We must _____ to this matter.

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

ANSWERS: 46. nuanced, 47. restricted, 48. primarily, 49. enmeshed, 50. native, 51. arresting, 52. extended, 53. articulate, 54. attend

55. There was a massive police presence at the anti-government _____.
- v.* a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm
56. We are optimistic about our final _____.
- n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
57. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
- n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
58. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.
- v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
59. She had _____ a fortune through wise investments and shrewd business decisions.
- v.* to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something over time; to collect or assemble for future use or reference
60. The budget _____ forced them to make difficult decisions.
- n.* a limit or restriction on something, such as an action, behavior, or thought
61. Among young people, _____ pressure can be pretty influential.
- n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
62. The _____ on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.
- n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

ANSWERS: 55. rally, 56. victory, 57. intellect, 58. invest, 59. amassed, 60. constraint, 61. peer, 62. label

63. Our tech support responds to the first _____ exceptionally promptly.
- n.* the act or process of asking a question or asking for information; an official process of investigating a matter of public interest
64. The _____ on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.
- n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
65. Truth is stranger than _____.
- n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
66. The issue of divorce _____ large in his mind.
- v.* to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way
67. This university's computer science _____ is world distinguished.
- n.* an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge
68. She felt _____ with the management and decided to leave.
- v.* to disappoint someone or something because you found that something you believed in or hoped for was not as it seemed
69. 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
70. He is still _____ stealing the money from the cash register.
- v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

ANSWERS: 63. inquiry, 64. church, 65. fiction, 66. loomed, 67. faculty, 68. disillusioned, 69. threat, 70. denying

71. The judge sentenced him to five years of _____ for embezzlement.
n. the state of being confined in prison or jail
72. He spent only a _____ of his earnings.
n. a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers
73. The country has been wracked by political _____ for many years.
n. conflict or disagreement, especially between people or groups
74. There are several causes of economic _____ within societies.
n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
75. The baby _____ 1 pound 3 oz.
v. to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
76. The _____ of peace met with government officials to discuss bilateral relations.
n. a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization
77. The mobile application industry is _____ changing.
adv. all the time
78. He was _____ to learn more about the subject and attended every lecture.
adj. having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest

ANSWERS: 71. incarceration, 72. fraction, 73. strife, 74. inequality, 75. weighs, 76. ambassador, 77. constantly, 78. keen

79. The school board decided to _____ students by the ability to meet their needs better.

- v.* to separate or set apart from others, often based on race, gender, or some other characteristic

80. The pastor _____ about the importance of forgiveness.

- v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

81. His grandfather was an ____ man.

- adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two

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

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

ANSWERS: 79. segregate, 80. preached, 81. odd, 82. politician