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Session 1: Word List

monitor

v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

synonym: proctor, check, observe

(1) **monitor** an exam, (2) **monitor** the data carefully

They used a special receiver to **monitor** police radio channels.

trend

n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing

synonym: direction, movement, tendency

(1) an international **trend**, (2) the **trend** away from television

The oil price continued their downward **trend**.

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.

threefold

adj. three times as great or as many

synonym : three, triple, three times

(1) rise nearly **threefold**, (2) **threefold** increase

The price of the item was reduced **threefold** after the sale.

oxygen

n. the chemical element with the symbol O that is present in air and water and is necessary for people, animals, and plants to live

(1) the hydrogen binds the **oxygen**, (2) lack of **oxygen**

The passenger grabbed for the **oxygen** mask.

unemployed

adj. not having a job, although able to work

synonym : idle, inactive, jobless

(1) assignment for the **unemployed** youth, (2) people who are **unemployed**

My father was **unemployed** for so long.

insecure

adj. not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety

synonym : uncertain, unsure, unconfident

(1) an **insecure** future, (2) **insecure** attachment

Children in an unstructured environment often feel **insecure**.

continent

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

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

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

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

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym : thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

prospect

n. the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to

succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals

synonym: hope, possibility, expectation

(1) **prospect** for gold, (2) job **prospects**

The **prospect** of starting a new business can be both exciting and daunting.

covet

v. to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for

synonym: desire, yearn, crave

(1) **covet** wealth, (2) **covet** fame

She couldn't help but **covet** her friend's designer handbag.

immigration

n. the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country

synonym: migration, settlement, emigration

(1) **immigration** control, (2) **immigration** application

The **immigration** policy in this country is stringent, making it difficult for many people to obtain a visa.

ensue

v. to happen or follow as a result or consequence of something

synonym: follow, occur, result

(1) **ensue** within a few years, (2) predict what will **ensue**

A power outage **ensued** after the storm knocked out the electricity.

workforce

n. all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.

synonym: labor pool, manpower

(1) skilled **workforce**, (2) the **workforce** is on strike

Many companies outsource and hire consultants to keep their **workforce** flexible.

trigger

v. to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

synonym : activate, spark, drive

(1) **trigger** a biochemical response, (2) **trigger** inflation

The incident **triggered** a political controversy.

delta

n. a triangular area of low and flat land that is formed when a river flows into a larger body of water and deposits sediment; an object shaped like an equilateral triangle

synonym : floodplain, estuary

(1) river **deltas**, (2) **delta** cone

The Nile **Delta** is a rich and fertile region that has supported agriculture for thousands of years.

crisis

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

synonym : concern, problem, emergency

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

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

herdsman

n. a person who manages or cares for a herd of livestock, typically cattle, sheep, or goats

synonym : shepherd, grazier, rancher

(1) nomadic **herdsman**, (2) livestock **herdsman**

In rural areas, the role of a sheep **herdsman** is vital for managing and caring for the flock.

brutal

adj. harsh or cruel

synonym : harsh, cruel, barbarous

(1) **brutal** bully, (2) **brutal** honesty

The **brutal** attack left the victim with serious injuries.

bomb

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

synonym : missile, explosive, ammunition

(1) atomic **bombs**, (2) disarm the **bomb**

The use of cluster **bombs** is strictly prohibited by international law.

sear

v. to char, scorch, or burn the surface of something with intense heat; (of pain or experience) to be deeply felt or remembered over a long time

synonym: scorch, cook, burn

(1) **sear** tissue using a hot iron, (2) **sear** the memory into your mind

Be careful not to **sear** the meat too long, as it can become tough and chewy.

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.

economy

n. the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

synonym: finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

buffer

n. a device, material, or person that reduces the impact or effect of an external force or provides protection against harm or damage

synonym: cushion, shield, insulation

(1) a **buffer** between the quarreling parents, (2) use a **buffer** to reduce noise

Using a password manager can act as a **buffer** against hackers who try to steal your personal information.

- halt**
- v. to bring or come to a stop; to force to stop moving or operating
synonym: stop, cease, terminate
(1) **halt** production, (2) **halt** progress
The train came to a **halt** at the station.
- unlock**
- v. to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key
synonym: open, solve, unravel
(1) **unlock** a door with a key, (2) **unlock** value
The customs officer required the traveler to **unlock** his suitcase.
- agriculture**
- n. the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
synonym: farming, husbandry, agribusiness
(1) organic **agriculture**, (2) intensive **agriculture**
Agriculture is the foundation of our economy.
- engine**
- n. a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
synonym: motor, locomotive, driver
(1) a steam **engine**, (2) an air-cooled **engine**
The policies he announces can be the **engine** of economic growth in the country.
- suffer**
- v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
synonym: endure, undergo, tolerate
(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades
The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.
- kingdom**
- n. the country ruled by a king or queen
synonym: empire, realm, land
(1) establish his **kingdom**, (2) a subordinate **kingdom**

By remaining neutral, this **kingdom** continued to exist.

commerce

n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

synonym: trade, transaction, dealings

(1) interstate **commerce**, (2) the local chamber of **commerce**

This company has invested heavily in Internet **commerce**.

profitable

adj. making or likely to make material gain or profit

synonym: advantageous, beneficial, thriving

(1) a **profitable** job, (2) **profitable** trade

The Prohibition amendment made bootlegging **profitable**.

dramatically

adv. in a very impressive manner

synonym: greatly, noticeably, suddenly

(1) he confessed **dramatically**, (2) the cabin pressure fell **dramatically**

Life expectancy has grown **dramatically** this century.

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

dominate

v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

synonym: govern, rule, prevail

(1) **dominate** possession, (2) **dominate** over the weak

The perspective of his right brain **dominates** his consciousness.

export

v. to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in

a format that other programs can use

synonym : ship, send, transfer

(1) **export** goods, (2) **export** the data

The country **exports** a large amount of agricultural products.

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym : resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

attract

v. to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

synonym : lure, entice, draw in

(1) **attract** attention, (2) **attract** customers

The government is eager to **attract** international investment.

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.

process

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

synonym : procedure, method, system

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

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

starch

n. a complex carbohydrate found in many plants, including rice, wheat, and potatoes that is an important foodstuff for humans and animals

synonym: carbohydrate, glucose, dextrin

(1) **starch** granules, (2) potato **starch**

When heated, **starch** molecules absorb water and become thick and gooey, making it a useful thickening agent in cooking.

cassava

n. a starchy, tuberous root plant that is native to South America and is grown in many tropical and subtropical regions around the world

synonym: manioc, yuca

(1) **cassava** flour, (2) **cassava** starch

Cassava leaves are also eaten as a vegetable in some parts of the world.

expand

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

synonym: extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

manufacture

v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines

synonym: create, fabricate, assemble

(1) **manufacture** an enzyme, (2) **manufacture** a product

The majority of synthetic vitamins are **manufactured** from oil.

discuss

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

synonym: talk about, converse, debate

(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions

We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

wondrous

adj. inspiring amazement or admiration; extremely beautiful and impressive

synonym: amazing, fantastic, miraculous

(1) **wondrous** sight, (2) **wondrous** adventure

The **wondrous** beauty of the sunset left us all in awe.

dot

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

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

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

countryside

n. rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery

synonym: rural, rustic, pastoral

(1) **countryside** scenery, (2) **countryside** lifestyle

The small village in the **countryside** was perfect for a quiet getaway.

meager

adj. small in quantity, quality, or size; insufficient or inadequate

synonym: scanty, sparse, insufficient

(1) **meager** salary, (2) **meager** resources

The refugee family had to survive on a **meager** amount of food and water daily.

harvest

n. yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm

synonym: crop, reaping, yield

(1) a scanty **harvest**, (2) reap a **harvest**

During **harvest**, farmers are incredibly busy.

desperate

adj. feeling or showing a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation

synonym: anguish, frantic, hopeless

(1) her **desperate** screams, (2) **desperate** attempt

He was **desperate** when he lost all his money by gambling.

fire-sale

n. a sale of goods or assets at a much-reduced price, often due to financial distress or urgency; a sale held to

liquidate goods or assets quickly, often at a loss
synonym: clearance, liquidation, markdown

(1) **fire-sale** deals, (2) **fire-sale** tactics

The company's **fire-sale** of its assets is a last-ditch effort to stay afloat.

motorcycle

n. a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals

synonym: bike, motor

(1) **motorcycle** gangster, (2) electric **motorcycle**

He had his **motorcycle** license revoked for drunken driving.

tire

v. to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued; (noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving

synonym: exhaust, weary, fatigue

(1) **tire** my patience, (2) **tire** pressure

I need to **tire** out my dog with a long walk so that he will sleep through the night.

patch

n. a small piece of material or fabric used to repair or reinforce a tear, hole, or damaged area; a small plot of land used for cultivation or a specific purpose

synonym: mend, repair, fix

(1) **patch** of grass, (2) software **patch**

I need to sew a **patch** onto my jeans that ripped.

constant

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

synonym: ceaseless, stable, unchanging

(1) a **constant** wind, (2) a **constant** temperature

Constant dropping wears away the stone.

precious

adj. uncommon and extremely valuable

synonym: adored, cherished, valued

(1) price of **precious** metals, (2) **precious** information
We cannot afford to squander **precious** time.

tattered

adj. worn, torn, or ragged in appearance or condition, usually as a result of long use or hard wear; frayed or falling apart

synonym: ripped, shabby, worn-out

(1) **tattered** clothes, (2) **tattered** umbrella

The **tattered** book was falling apart at the seams from being read too many times.

rip

v. to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly

synonym: tear, cut, slit

(1) **rip** a notebook apart, (2) **rip** a hole in the roof

During transit, the stuff may **rip** off the luggage tag.

destitute

adj. lacking basic material necessities such as food, shelter, and clothing; impoverished

synonym: poor, impoverished, needy

(1) **destitute** refugees, (2) living in **destitute** conditions

The hurricane left many families **destitute** and without homes.

wreak

v. to cause or bring about something, often as a result of harmful or destructive actions or events

synonym: cause, inflict, bring about

(1) **wreak** a lot of changes, (2) **wreak** further damage

The virus has **wreaked** havoc on the healthcare system, overwhelming hospitals and causing shortages of supplies.

vengeance

n. the act of punishing or harming someone in return for something harmful that they have done

synonym: retaliation, retribution, revenge

(1) **vengeance** justice, (2) wreak **vengeance**

He sought **vengeance** for the wrongs done to him.

insurgent

adj. rising against established authority or government; characterized by rebellion, dissent, or insurgency

synonym : subversive, rebellious, mutinous

(1) **insurgent** attack, (2) **insurgent** group

The government forces fought brutally against the **insurgent** rebels in the remote region.

getaway

n. a place or means of escape or retreat; a vacation or trip taken to escape one's everyday routine or environment; a successful escape from danger or capture

synonym : escape, retreat, break

(1) planned **getaway**, (2) romantic **getaway**

The police are still searching for the suspect's **getaway** vehicle.

kidnapping

n. the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive

synonym : abduction, snatch, kidnap

(1) **kidnapping** attempt, (2) mass **kidnapping**

She received a year's imprisonment for aggravated **kidnapping**.

cycle

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

synonym : revolution, rotation, bike

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

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

viable

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

synonym : feasible, possible, attainable

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

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

recognize

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

was previously known or encountered

synonym : acknowledge, identify, admit

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

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

grassroots

adj. of or relating to the ordinary people in a society or an organization as constituting a fundamental political and economic group

synonym : fundamental, major, elemental

(1) a **grassroots** movement for nuclear disarmament,

(2) the **grassroots** factor in making the decision

The feeling among the company's **grassroots** is that the CEO is not radical enough.

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.

communal

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

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

convince

v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

synonym : persuade, win over, convert

(1) **convince** her to go with us, (2) **convince** an opponent

I am considering what I should do to **convince** him.

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.

woe

n. significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness

synonym : anguish, despair, suffering

(1) economic **woe**, (2) full of **woe**

Recurrent financial **woes** hampered his subsequent career.

brave

adj. showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

synonym : courageous, valiant, heroic

(1) **brave** soldier, (2) **brave** decision

The **brave** firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

persevere

v. to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement

synonym : persist, endure, continue

(1) **persevere** through hardships, (2) **persevere** in my goals

Even when faced with challenges, it's important to **persevere** and never give up.

fast-forward

v. to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording

synonym : advance, hasten, speed up

(1) **fast-forward** 10 seconds, (2) **fast-forward** to the good part

I like to **fast-forward** through commercials when watching TV

shows.

committed

adj. willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

synonym : devoted, faithful, attached

(1) in a **committed** relationship, (2) strong and **committed** sales staff

Our company is strongly **committed** to meeting customers' needs.

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.

yield

n. the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information

synonym : proceeds, harvest, output

(1) corn **yield**, (2) the **yield** on the bond

The company's stock gives a high **yield**.

triple

adj. consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many

synonym : threefold

(1) a **triple** mirror, (2) **triple** digits

His coach is a **triple** Olympic champion.

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**.

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.

rear

adj. at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult

synonym : back, end, behind

(1) the **rear** gate, (2) **rear** children

The player quickly went to the **rear** side of the defender.

retail

n. the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets

synonym : sales, trade, commerce

(1) **retail** store, (2) a **retail** dealer

The **retail** industry has been affected by the rise of online shopping.

license

n. an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

synonym : permit, authorization, certificate

(1) **license** renewal, (2) software **license**

Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's **license**.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym : suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

financing

n. the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project

synonym :

funding, loan, expenditure

(1) **financing** activity, (2) public **financing**

The investment fund offered **financing** for a company on the brink of bankruptcy.

tap

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

synonym: knock, exploit, use

(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger

To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.

debt

n. something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something

synonym: liability, obligation, deficit

(1) **debt** ceiling, (2) corporate **debt**

He became in **debt** after losing his job.

conventional

adj. based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.

synonym: ancestral, customary, established

(1) a **conventional** style, (2) get a **conventional** loan

She is very **conventional** in her thoughts.

profit

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

synonym: earnings, gain, proceeds

(1) gross **profit**, (2) make a **profit**

This business yields little **profit**.

investor

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

synonym: financier, banker, stockholder

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

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

typical

adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

synonym: characteristic, usual, distinctive

(1) **typical** leader, (2) fairly **typical** symptoms

This artwork is **typical** of her work.

hardworking

adj. tending to work with a lot of effort and care

synonym: diligent, dedicated, conscientious

(1) **hardworking** student, (2) retire from **hardworking** life

They sought candidates with **hardworking** and good-natured.

ambitious

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

synonym: enterprising, challenging, earnest

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

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9. wr__k a lot of changes *v.* to cause or bring about something, often as a result of harmful or destructive actions or events
10. living in de____te conditions *adj.* lacking basic material necessities such as food, shelter, and clothing; impoverished

ANSWERS: 1. patch, 2. herdsman, 3. monitor, 4. suffer, 5. improvisation, 6. insecure, 7. unlock, 8. workforce, 9. wreak, 10. destitute

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ANSWERS: 11. improvisation, 12. buffer, 13. strength, 14. harvest, 15. license, 16. viable, 17. getaway, 18. desperate, 19. typical

20. software li____e *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
21. cou____de lifestyle *n.* rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery
22. re____l store *n.* the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets
23. a subordinate ki____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
24. en__e within a few years *v.* to happen or follow as a result or consequence of something
25. ex____d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
26. use a bu____r to reduce noise *n.* a device, material, or person that reduces the impact or effect of an external force or provides protection against harm or damage
27. a tr____e mirror *adj.* consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many
28. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

ANSWERS: 20. license, 21. countryside, 22. retail, 23. kingdom, 24. ensue, 25. expand, 26. buffer, 27. triple, 28. tap

29. wo_____us adventure *adj.* inspiring amazement or admiration; extremely beautiful and impressive
30. the cabin pressure fell dra_____lly *adv.* in a very impressive manner
31. man_____re an enzyme *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
32. imm_____on application *n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
33. p__r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
34. har_____ng student *adj.* tending to work with a lot of effort and care
35. cou_____de scenery *n.* rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery
36. st___h granules *n.* a complex carbohydrate found in many plants, including rice, wheat, and potatoes that is an important foodstuff for humans and animals
37. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
38. br___e decision *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
39. r_p a hole in the roof *v.* to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly
40. d_t blot method *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
41. 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

ANSWERS: 29. wondrous, 30. dramatically, 31. manufacture, 32. immigration, 33. peer, 34. hardworking, 35. countryside, 36. starch, 37. excite, 38. brave, 39. rip, 40. dot, 41. develop

42. imm_____on control *n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
43. p__r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
44. tr_____r a biochemical response *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
45. in_____nt attack *adj.* rising against established authority or government; characterized by rebellion, dissent, or insurgency
46. disarm the b__b *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
47. tre_____us amount *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
48. a con_____nal style *adj.* based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.
49. with an am_____us eye *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
50. the yi__d on the bond *n.* the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
51. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
52. ex___t goods *v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use

ANSWERS: 42. immigration, 43. peer, 44. trigger, 45. insurgent, 46. bomb, 47. tremendous, 48. conventional, 49. ambitious, 50. yield, 51. recognize, 52. export

53. d__t ceiling *n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
54. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
55. the r__r gate *adj.* at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult
56. develop a vi___e therapy *adj.* capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
57. po_____y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
58. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
59. 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.
60. ex___d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
61. corn yi__d *n.* the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information

ANSWERS: 53. debt, 54. opportune, 55. rear, 56. viable, 57. poverty, 58. process, 59. recruit, 60. expand, 61. yield

62. fas_____ard 10 seconds *v.* to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording
63. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
64. strong and co_____ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
65. rise nearly th_____ld *adj.* three times as great or as many
66. the tr__d away from television *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
67. me____r salary *adj.* small in quantity, quality, or size; insufficient or inadequate
68. the hydrogen binds the ox____n *n.* the chemical element with the symbol O that is present in air and water and is necessary for people, animals, and plants to live
69. the inland of a co_____nt *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
70. a remote re_____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

ANSWERS: 62. fast-forward, 63. economy, 64. committed, 65. threefold, 66. trend, 67. meager, 68. oxygen, 69. continent, 70. relative

71. corporate d__t *n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
72. in___t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
73. a scanty ha_____t *n.* yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm
74. re_____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
75. mo_____r an exam *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
76. ve_____ce justice *n.* the act of punishing or harming someone in return for something harmful that they have done
77. economic w_e *n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
78. mass kid_____ng *n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
79. a co_____nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
80. retire from har_____ng life *adj.* tending to work with a lot of effort and care
81. ex___t the data *v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use

ANSWERS: 71. debt, 72. invest, 73. harvest, 74. relative, 75. monitor, 76. vengeance, 77. woe, 78. kidnapping, 79. constant, 80. hardworking, 81. export

82. mot_____le gangster *n.* a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals
83. wreak ve_____ce *n.* the act of punishing or harming someone in return for something harmful that they have done
84. di_____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
85. a gra_____ts movement for nuclear disarmament *adj.* of or relating to the ordinary people in a society or an organization as constituting a fundamental political and economic group
86. organic agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
87. wo_____us sight *adj.* inspiring amazement or admiration; extremely beautiful and impressive
88. in_____re attachment *adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety
89. at_____t customers *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
90. in____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
91. th_____ld increase *adj.* three times as great or as many
92. pr_____us information *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable

ANSWERS: 82. motorcycle, 83. vengeance, 84. discuss, 85. grassroots, 86. agriculture, 87. wondrous, 88. insecure, 89. attract, 90. invest, 91. threefold, 92. precious

93. intensive agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
94. kid_____ng attempt *n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
95. the local chamber of co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
96. de_____te refugees *adj.* lacking basic material necessities such as food, shelter, and clothing; impoverished
97. r_p a notebook apart *v.* to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly
98. h__t progress *v.* to bring or come to a stop; to force to stop moving or operating
99. man_____re a product *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
100. atomic b__bs *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
101. ty_____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
102. do_____te possession *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
103. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
104. s__r the memory into your mind *v.* to char, scorch, or burn the surface of something with intense heat; (of pain or experience) to be deeply felt or remembered over a long time

ANSWERS: 93. agriculture, 94. kidnapping, 95. commerce, 96. destitute, 97. rip, 98. halt, 99. manufacture, 100. bomb, 101. typical, 102. dominate, 103. opportune, 104. sear

105. co__t wealth *v.* to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for
106. establish his ki____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
107. make a pr__t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
108. fas_____ard to the good part *v.* to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording
109. co__t fame *v.* to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for
110. software pa__h *n.* a small piece of material or fabric used to repair or reinforce a tear, hole, or damaged area; a small plot of land used for cultivation or a specific purpose
111. the wo_____ce is on strike *n.* all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.
112. assignment for the une_____ed youth *adj.* not having a job, although able to work
113. a co_____nt temperature *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
114. r__r children *adj.* at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult

ANSWERS: 105. covet, 106. kingdom, 107. profit, 108. fast-forward, 109. covet, 110. patch, 111. workforce, 112. unemployed, 113. constant, 114. rear

115. the cy__e of the seasons *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
116. achieve am_____us goals *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
117. a real estate in____or *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
118. br__e soldier *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
119. interstate co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
120. ta_____ed umbrella *adj.* worn, torn, or ragged in appearance or condition, usually as a result of long use or hard wear; frayed or falling apart
121. tr___e digits *adj.* consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many
122. in_____nt group *adj.* rising against established authority or government; characterized by rebellion, dissent, or insurgency
123. su___r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
124. get a con_____nal loan *adj.* based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.
125. he confessed dra_____lly *adv.* in a very impressive manner
126. h__t production *v.* to bring or come to a stop; to force to stop moving or operating
127. price of pr_____us metals *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable

ANSWERS: 115. cycle, 116. ambitious, 117. investor, 118. brave, 119. commerce, 120. tattered, 121. triple, 122. insurgent, 123. suffer, 124. conventional, 125. dramatically, 126. halt, 127. precious

128. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
129. pe_____re in my goals *v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement
130. financial cr____s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
131. a steam en____e *n.* a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
132. in____or lawsuit *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
133. a re____l dealer *n.* the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets
134. wr__k further damage *v.* to cause or bring about something, often as a result of harmful or destructive actions or events
135. di____s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
136. me____r resources *adj.* small in quantity, quality, or size; insufficient or inadequate

ANSWERS: 128. communal, 129. persevere, 130. crisis, 131. engine, 132. investor, 133. retail, 134. wreak, 135. discuss, 136. meager

137. ca____a flour *n.* a starchy, tuberous root plant that is native to South America and is grown in many tropical and subtropical regions around the world
138. lack of ox____n *n.* the chemical element with the symbol O that is present in air and water and is necessary for people, animals, and plants to live
139. ca____a starch *n.* a starchy, tuberous root plant that is native to South America and is grown in many tropical and subtropical regions around the world
140. co____ce her to go with us *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
141. predict what will en__e *v.* to happen or follow as a result or consequence of something
142. pr____ct for gold *n.* the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
143. river de__as *n.* a triangular area of low and flat land that is formed when a river flows into a larger body of water and deposits sediment; an object shaped like an equilateral triangle
144. ec____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 137. cassava, 138. oxygen, 139. cassava, 140. convince, 141. ensue, 142. prospect, 143. delta, 144. economy

145. gross pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
146. fi_____ng activity *n.* the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project
147. the longstanding co_____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
148. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
149. romantic ge_____y *n.* a place or means of escape or retreat; a vacation or trip taken to escape one's everyday routine or environment; a successful escape from danger or capture
150. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
151. ta_____ed clothes *adj.* worn, torn, or ragged in appearance or condition, usually as a result of long use or hard wear; frayed or falling apart

ANSWERS: 145. profit, 146. financing, 147. conflict, 148. recognize, 149. getaway, 150. process, 151. tattered

152. tre_____us popularity *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
153. de__a cone *n.* a triangular area of low and flat land that is formed when a river flows into a larger body of water and deposits sediment; an object shaped like an equilateral triangle
154. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
155. t__e my patience *v.* to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued; (noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving
156. people who are une_____ed *adj.* not having a job, although able to work
157. st_____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
158. t__e pressure *v.* to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued; (noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving
159. br___l bully *adj.* harsh or cruel

ANSWERS: 152. tremendous, 153. delta, 154. tap, 155. tire, 156. unemployed, 157. strength, 158. tire, 159. brutal

160. her de_____te screams *adj.* feeling or showing a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation
161. the co_____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
162. job pr_____cts *n.* the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
163. at_____t attention *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
164. livestock he_____an *n.* a person who manages or cares for a herd of livestock, typically cattle, sheep, or goats
165. an international tr__d *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
166. fi_____le tactics *n.* a sale of goods or assets at a much-reduced price, often due to financial distress or urgency; a sale held to liquidate goods or assets quickly, often at a loss
167. electric mot_____le *n.* a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals
168. co_____nt urinary diversion *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

ANSWERS: 160. desperate, 161. conflict, 162. prospect, 163. attract, 164. herdsman, 165. trend, 166. fire-sale, 167. motorcycle, 168. continent

169. potato st___h *n.* a complex carbohydrate found in many plants, including rice, wheat, and potatoes that is an important foodstuff for humans and animals
170. 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
171. an air-cooled en___e *n.* a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
172. co_____ce an opponent *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
173. un___k a door with a key *v.* to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key
174. cr___s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
175. pro_____le trade *adj.* making or likely to make material gain or profit
176. the gra_____ts factor in making the decision *adj.* of or relating to the ordinary people in a society or an organization as constituting a fundamental political and economic group
177. fi_____le deals *n.* a sale of goods or assets at a much-reduced price, often due to financial distress or urgency; a sale held to liquidate goods or assets quickly, often at a loss

ANSWERS: 169. starch, 170. develop, 171. engine, 172. convince, 173. unlock, 174. crisis, 175. profitable, 176. grassroots, 177. fire-sale

178. go to the workplace by cy__e *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
179. public fi_____ng *n.* the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project
180. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
181. re_____t a new hire *v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
182. full of w_e *n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
183. connecting the d_ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
184. tr_____r inflation *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
185. pe_____re through hardships *v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement
186. s__r tissue using a hot iron *v.* to char, scorch, or burn the surface of something with intense heat; (of pain or experience) to be deeply felt or remembered over a long time
187. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 178. cycle, 179. financing, 180. communal, 181. recruit, 182. woe, 183. dot, 184. trigger, 185. persevere, 186. sear, 187. excite

188. the cycle of po____y *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
189. br____l honesty *adj.* harsh or cruel
190. a pro_____le job *adj.* making or likely to make material gain or profit
191. in a co_____ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
192. do_____te over the weak *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

ANSWERS: 188. poverty, 189. brutal, 190. profitable, 191. committed, 192. dominate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. They sought candidates with _____ and good-natured.
adj. tending to work with a lot of effort and care
2. The _____ industry has been affected by the rise of online shopping.
n. the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets
3. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
4. The policies he announces can be the _____ of economic growth in the country.
n. a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
5. This artwork is _____ of her work.
adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
6. The customs officer required the traveler to _____ his suitcase.
v. to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key
7. The Nile _____ is a rich and fertile region that has supported agriculture for thousands of years.
n. a triangular area of low and flat land that is formed when a river flows into a larger body of water and deposits sediment; an object shaped like an equilateral triangle

ANSWERS: 1. hardworking, 2. retail, 3. discuss, 4. engine, 5. typical, 6. unlock, 7. Delta

8. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

9. Recurrent financial _____ hampered his subsequent career.

n. significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness

10. Among young people, _____ pressure can be pretty influential.

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

11. The refugee family had to survive on a _____ amount of food and water daily.

adj. small in quantity, quality, or size; insufficient or inadequate

12. This company has invested heavily in Internet _____.

n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

13. The train came to a _____ at the station.

v. to bring or come to a stop; to force to stop moving or operating

14. The use of cluster _____ is strictly prohibited by international law.

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

15. She received a year's imprisonment for aggravated _____.

n. the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive

16. This business yields little _____.

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

ANSWERS: 8. opportune, 9. woes, 10. peer, 11. meager, 12. commerce, 13. halt, 14. bombs, 15. kidnapping, 16. profit

17. Flight across the _____ was a daring adventure in its day.
- n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
18. Even when faced with challenges, it's important to _____ and never give up.
- v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement
19. During _____ farmers are incredibly busy.
- n.* yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm
20. He became in _____ after losing his job.
- n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
21. 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
22. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
- n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
23. Their company has been in business for a short time but has _____ goals.
- adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth

ANSWERS: 17. continent, 18. persevere, 19. harvest, 20. debt, 21. develop, 22. process, 23. ambitious

24. A power outage _____ after the storm knocked out the electricity.
- v. to happen or follow as a result or consequence of something
25. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink _____ on a white surface.
- n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
26. Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's _____.
- n. an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
27. _____ leaves are also eaten as a vegetable in some parts of the world.
- n. a starchy, tuberous root plant that is native to South America and is grown in many tropical and subtropical regions around the world
28. 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
29. The majority of synthetic vitamins are _____ from oil.
- v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
30. They used a special receiver to _____ police radio channels.
- v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
31. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.
- v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

ANSWERS: 24. ensued, 25. dots, 26. license, 27. Cassava, 28. conflicts, 29. manufactured, 30. monitor, 31. suffers

32. She couldn't help but _____ her friend's designer handbag.

- v. to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for

33. My father was _____ for so long.

- adj. not having a job, although able to work

34. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

35. The incident _____ a political controversy.

- v. to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

36. During transit, the stuff may ____ off the luggage tag.

- v. to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly

37. The perspective of his right brain _____ his consciousness.

- v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

38. We had a _____ time yesterday.

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

39. The virus has _____ havoc on the healthcare system, overwhelming hospitals and causing shortages of supplies.

- v. to cause or bring about something, often as a result of harmful or destructive actions or events

40. The _____ beauty of the sunset left us all in awe.

- adj. inspiring amazement or admiration; extremely beautiful and impressive

ANSWERS: 32. covet, 33. unemployed, 34. Communal, 35. triggered, 36. rip, 37. dominates, 38. tremendous, 39. wreaked, 40. wondrous

41. The _____ of starting a new business can be both exciting and daunting.
- n.* the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
42. The government forces fought brutally against the _____ rebels in the remote region.
- adj.* rising against established authority or government; characterized by rebellion, dissent, or insurgency
43. The police are still searching for the suspect's _____ vehicle.
- n.* a place or means of escape or retreat; a vacation or trip taken to escape one's everyday routine or environment; a successful escape from danger or capture
44. When heated, _____ molecules absorb water and become thick and gooeey, making it a useful thickening agent in cooking.
- n.* a complex carbohydrate found in many plants, including rice, wheat, and potatoes that is an important foodstuff for humans and animals
45. The country _____ a large amount of agricultural products.
- v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use
46. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.
- n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
47. I need to sew a _____ onto my jeans that ripped.
- n.* a small piece of material or fabric used to repair or reinforce a tear, hole, or damaged area; a small plot of land used for cultivation or a specific purpose

ANSWERS: 41. prospect, 42. insurgent, 43. getaway, 44. starch, 45. exports, 46. improvisation, 47. patch

48. By remaining neutral, this _____ continued to exist.

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

49. The investment fund offered _____ for a company on the brink of bankruptcy.

n. the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project

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

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

51. Be careful not to _____ the meat too long, as it can become tough and chewy.

v. to char, scorch, or burn the surface of something with intense heat; (of pain or experience) to be deeply felt or remembered over a long time

52. The news of her promotion _____ her.

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

53. Children in an unstructured environment often feel _____.

adj. not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety

54. 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.

55. The player quickly went to the _____ side of the defender.

adj. at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult

ANSWERS: 48. kingdom, 49. financing, 50. viable, 51. sear, 52. excited, 53. insecure, 54. recruited, 55. rear

56. The passenger grabbed for the _____ mask.

- n.* the chemical element with the symbol O that is present in air and water and is necessary for people, animals, and plants to live

57. In rural areas, the role of a sheep _____ is vital for managing and caring for the flock.

- n.* a person who manages or cares for a herd of livestock, typically cattle, sheep, or goats

58. The oil price continued their downward _____.

- n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing

59. The government is eager to _____ international investment.

- v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

60. He had his _____ license revoked for drunken driving.

- n.* a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals

61. Many companies outsource and hire consultants to keep their _____ flexible.

- n.* all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.

62. I need to _____ out my dog with a long walk so that he will sleep through the night.

- v.* to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued; (noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving

ANSWERS: 56. oxygen, 57. herdsman, 58. trend, 59. attract, 60. motorcycle, 61. workforce, 62. tire

63. Using a password manager can act as a _____ against hackers who try to steal your personal information.
- n.* a device, material, or person that reduces the impact or effect of an external force or provides protection against harm or damage
64. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.
- n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
65. The small village in the _____ was perfect for a quiet getaway.
- n.* rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery
66. _____ is the foundation of our economy.
- n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
67. We cannot afford to squander _____ time.
- adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
68. _____ dropping wears away the stone.
- adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
69. The food chain causes a material _____.
- n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
70. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
- n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 63. buffer, 64. strength, 65. countryside, 66. Agriculture, 67. precious, 68. Constant, 69. cycle, 70. economy

71. The _____ policy in this country is stringent, making it difficult for many people to obtain a visa.

n. the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country

72. The hurricane left many families _____ and without homes.

adj. lacking basic material necessities such as food, shelter, and clothing; impoverished

73. The price of the item was reduced _____ after the sale.

adj. three times as great or as many

74. I like to _____ through commercials when watching TV shows.

v. to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording

75. He was _____ when he lost all his money by gambling.

adj. feeling or showing a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation

76. The company's stock gives a high _____.

n. the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information

77. His coach is a _____ Olympic champion.

adj. consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many

78. The feeling among the company's _____ is that the CEO is not radical enough.

adj. of or relating to the ordinary people in a society or an organization as constituting a fundamental political and economic group

ANSWERS: 71. immigration, 72. destitute, 73. threefold, 74. fast-forward, 75. desperate, 76. yield, 77. triple, 78. grassroots

79. Life expectancy has grown _____ this century.

adv. in a very impressive manner

80. The Prohibition amendment made bootlegging _____.

adj. making or likely to make material gain or profit

81. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

82. Our company is strongly _____ to meeting customers' needs.

adj. willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

83. I am considering what I should do to _____ him.

v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

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

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

85. The _____ book was falling apart at the seams from being read too many times.

adj. worn, torn, or ragged in appearance or condition, usually as a result of long use or hard wear; frayed or falling apart

86. The _____ attack left the victim with serious injuries.

adj. harsh or cruel

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

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

ANSWERS: 79. dramatically, 80. profitable, 81. relatives, 82. committed, 83. convince, 84. recognize, 85. tattered, 86. brutal, 87. investors

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

n. the condition of being extremely poor

89. The _____ firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

adj. showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

90. The company's _____ of its assets is a last-ditch effort to stay afloat.

n. a sale of goods or assets at a much-reduced price, often due to financial distress or urgency; a sale held to liquidate goods or assets quickly, often at a loss

91. 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

92. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

93. She is very _____ in her thoughts.

adj. based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.

94. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

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

95. He sought _____ for the wrongs done to him.

n. the act of punishing or harming someone in return for something harmful that they have done

ANSWERS: 88. poverty, 89. brave, 90. fire-sale, 91. invest, 92. expand, 93. conventional, 94. crisis, 95. vengeance

96. To expand the company, we must ____ new human resources.

- v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

ANSWERS: 96. tap