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Session 1: Word List

routinely

adv. on a regular or habitual basis; in a manner that is customary or expected

synonym : habitually, regularly, customarily

(1) **routinely** check, (2) **routinely** scheduled maintenance
They **routinely** conduct fire drills to ensure everyone in the building knows what to do in an emergency.

decision

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

synonym : choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**
She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

consult

v. to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject

synonym : confer, consider, see

(1) regularly **consult** with a doctor, (2) **consult** my wallet
Always **consult** a lawyer before launching a business.

quarter

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

synonym : fourth, one-fourth

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

The unemployment rate in the first **quarter** was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

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.

inanimate

adj. not having life or spirit; not animate

synonym : lifeless, inert, passive

(1) **inanimate** nature, (2) **inanimate** matter

The **inanimate** object was not capable of movement or feeling.

policy

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

synonym : strategy, plan, guideline

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

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

urban

adj. relating to or located in a town or city

synonym : metropolitan, civic

(1) **urban** planning, (2) **urban** property owners

Only a small number of **urban** utilities offer sanitation services.

surprisingly

adv. in a way that causes amazement or wonder

synonym: exceptionally, notably, unusually

(1) **surprisingly** advanced culture, (2) have **surprisingly** little effect

The exam was **surprisingly** tricky for everyone.

architect

n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

synonym: creator, designer, planner

(1) landscape **architect**, (2) **architect** of the peace accord

The building **architect** tried to build the house above the tree.

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.

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.

occasionally

adv. now and then; sometimes but not often

synonym: periodically, sometimes, from time to time

(1) **occasionally** dine with friends, (2) **occasionally** change the routine

She still **occasionally** writes a short romance novel.

rarely

adv. not happening often; infrequently; seldom

synonym: seldom, infrequently, hardly ever

(1) **rarely** seen, (2) **rarely** used

I **rarely** eat fast food because I prefer healthy options.

podium

n. a raised platform or stand that is used for delivering speeches, conducting meetings, or presenting awards

synonym: lectern, stand, dais

(1) win a **podium** position, (2) **podium** finisher

The speaker stood confidently on the **podium** while delivering their speech.

council

n. a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place

synonym: board, committee, assembly

(1) other **council** members, (2) city **council** election

The city **council** voted to approve the new development project.

chamber

n. a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament

synonym: association, cabin, legislature

(1) a gas **chamber**, (2) the lower **chamber**

The surgeon made an incision in the **chambers** of the patient's heart.

introductory

adj. intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point

synonym: beginning, preliminary, initial

(1) **introductory** biology text, (2) product **introductory** sale

The **introductory** class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.

boulder

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

synonym: rock, stone, clump

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

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

advocate

n. a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something

synonym: proponent, exponent, promoter

(1) an **advocate** of disarmament, (2) public education

advocates

Advocates of abolishing the death penalty often argue that the alternative heaviest sentence should be life in prison.

frustration

n. the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something

synonym: disappointment, discouragement, dissatisfaction

(1) **frustration** level, (2) express **frustration**

He felt a deep **frustration** as he realized the project would not be completed on time.

encounter

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

synonym: meet, run into, come across

(1) **encounter** a crisis, (2) **encounter** a storm

I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

indoor

adj. located, happened, or used inside a building

(1) an **indoor** pool, (2) designed for **indoor** use

Table tennis is an **indoor** sport.

hospitable

adj. friendly and generous to visitors or guests

synonym: benevolent, generous, gracious

(1) **hospitable** environment, (2) a **hospitable** welcome

He is a good-natured and **hospitable** man.

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.

bet

v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

synonym: stake, wager, gamble

(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future

I **bet** that you know it.

skeptical

adj. doubting that something is accurate or useful

synonym: doubtful, distrustful, suspicious

(1) a **skeptical** attitude, (2) **skeptical** scientists

His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly **skeptical**.

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.

affordable

adj. not expensive and able to pay

synonym: cheap, reasonable, inexpensive

(1) **affordable** housing, (2) **affordable** solution

The automaker has been providing **affordable** car financing options since last year.

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.

transport

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
synonym: shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**

Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

unreasonable

adj. not fair, sensible, or likely to be true

synonym: unjustified, unfair, excessive

(1) **unreasonable** demand, (2) an **unreasonable** amount of money

It would be **unreasonable** for me to expect you to work overtime without any extra compensation.

cannon

n. a large, heavy gun fired from a fixed position or mounted on a vehicle, used in warfare or hunting

synonym: artillery, gun, ordnance

(1) **cannon** salute, (2) **cannon** ball

The heavy **cannon** fired a loud shot that echoed across the battlefield.

unsuspecting

adj. unaware of the presence of danger; not suspicious

synonym: unaware, unassuming, gullible

(1) **unsuspecting** boys and girls, (2) **unsuspecting** victim

The thief stole the wallet from the **unsuspecting** tourist.

kayak

n. a small, narrow boat traditionally used by the Inuit people for hunting and fishing, which has a covered deck and is propelled using a double-bladed paddle

synonym: canoe, skiff, paddle boat

(1) **kayak** adventure, (2) **kayak** paddle

We're planning a **kayak** trip down the river next weekend.

legitimate

adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

synonym : lawful, honest, fair

(1) a **legitimate** child, (2) **legitimate** question

Public political demonstrations are considered **legitimate** rights for citizens.

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.

largely

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

synonym : mainly, chiefly, broadly

(1) **largely** accepted, (2) **largely** mitigate the issue

Nevada is **largely** a desert state.

innovative

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

synonym : creative, ingenious, inventive

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

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

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

synonym : choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

redesign

v. to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing

something again

synonym : revamp, rework, remodel

(1) **redesign** project, (2) **redesign** of lifestyle

The company is planning to **redesign** its website.

downtown

adv. in or towards the central area of a town or city

synonym : central, city-center, urban

(1) **downtown** building, (2) **downtown** traffic

He decided to take a walk **downtown** area to explore the city.

civic

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

synonym : community, civic, communal

(1) **civic** activity, (2) **civic** center

The city promotes **civic** collaboration in community development

bound

v. to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

synonym : jump, bounce, leap

(1) **bounded** with delight, (2) **bound** up a staircase

Canada **bounds** on the United States.

creek

n. a small, narrow stream or waterway; a narrow, winding passage between cliffs or hills

synonym : brook, stream, rivulet

(1) **creek** bed, (2) a dry **creek**

The sound of the babbling **creek** provided a soothing backdrop for campers and outdoor enthusiasts.

handle

v. to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

synonym : control, manage, deal with

(1) **handle** a precious object, (2) **handled** the incident

We all should learn how to **handle** stress.

inevitable

adj. certain to happen and unavoidable
synonym : inescapable, unavoidable, sure

(1) **inevitable** changes of the seasons, (2) **inevitable** result
In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is **inevitable**.

flash

n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

synonym : sparkle, gleam, glimmer

(1) a **flash** of lightning, (2) brilliant **flash**

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

flood

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

synonym : deluge, downpour, overflow

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

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

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.

engage

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

synonym : confront, employ, amuse

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

(2) **engage** a new employee

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

preschool

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

synonym : nursery, kindergarten, daycare

(1) **preschool** education, (2) during **preschool** years

My old school's **preschool** program was well-regarded and had an excellent reputation.

recommendation

n. an official suggestion that something is good or suitable for a particular purpose or job

synonym: guidance, advice, suggestion

(1) follow his **recommendations**, (2) a letter of **recommendation**

We made a **recommendation** to the client.

influence

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

synonym: power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he abdicated.

photograph

n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

synonym: photo, picture, snapshot

(1) **photograph** album, (2) **photograph** memories

I found an old **photograph** of my grandparents from their wedding day.

frame

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

synonym: body, skeleton, scaffolding

(1) a picture **frame**, (2) the **frame** of the policy

The detective looked for fingerprints on the window **frame**.

highlight

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

synonym: feature, emphasize, stress

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

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

tube

n. a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape

synonym : pipe, hose, duct

(1) a capillary **tube**, (2) a glass **tube**

The **tube** train was packed with commuters during rush hour.

flip

v. to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion

synonym : throw, jump

(1) **flip** over the pork chop, (2) **flip** a coin

He **flipped** when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.

trash

n. discarded material, refuse, or waste

synonym : garbage, waste, refuse

(1) **trash** bin, (2) **trash** disposal site

The city is taking measures to reduce the amount of **trash** in the streets.

grade

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

synonym : score, rate, degree

(1) boys in the twelfth **grade**, (2) students at all **grade** levels

Departments may set requirements for a higher **grade** point average.

invite

v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

synonym : ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism

We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

synonym: coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,

(2) **combine** augmented reality

Hydrogen and oxygen **combine** to form water.

inspiration

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

synonym: motivation, drive, encouragement

(1) source of **inspiration**, (2) get **inspiration** from nature

He found **inspiration** in the works of his favorite authors.

synthesize

v. to combine a substance to make a more complex product or compound

synonym: incorporate, amalgamate

(1) **synthesize** molecules, (2) **synthesize** information

The spider can **synthesize** multiple different silk proteins.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

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

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

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.

recreation

n. the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exist or seem to exist again in a different time or place

synonym: amusement, entertainment, refreshment

(1) outdoor **recreation**, (2) **recreation** of the homeland
Basketball is their usual **recreation** after school.

marvel

n. someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise

synonym: wonder, phenomenon, amazement

(1) a **marvel** of beauty, (2) technical **marvel**

The space shuttle is a modern engineering **marvel**.

construct

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

synonym: build, assemble, create

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

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

bracelet

n. a piece of jewelry worn around the wrist, often as an ornament or decoration

synonym: wristband, bangle, charm bracelet

(1) beaded **bracelet**, (2) charm **bracelet**

She wore a beautiful **bracelet** that her grandmother had given her.

suppose

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

synonym: guess, assume, presume

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

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

skate

n. a type of footwear that has a blade attached to its sole for skating on ice or other hard surfaces; an activity or sport that involves gliding on skates on ice or other hard surfaces

synonym: blade, runner, sled

(1) **skate** park, (2) roller **skate**

She has been practicing an ice **skate** routine for months

- rink** *n.* a flat, typically enclosed surface used for skating or other recreational activities such as roller skating, ice hockey, or curling
synonym : park, field
(1) outdoor **rink**, (2) roller **rink**
I love to skate on the ice **rink** during the winter.
- bead** *n.* a small, usually round object made of glass, wood, or plastic that is used for decoration or as part of jewelry
synonym : pearl, droplet, marble
(1) a beautiful **bead**, (2) **bead** curtain
She threaded the **beads** onto the string to make a necklace.
- ridiculous** *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
synonym : absurd, fatuous, foolish
(1) a **ridiculous** amount of money, (2) a **ridiculous** suggestion
Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as **ridiculous** but was later proven correct.
- 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.
- implement** *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
synonym : execute, enforce, put through
(1) **implement** a corporate strategy, (2) **implement** security measures
The government promised to **implement** a new system to control the financial crisis.

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**.

underpass

n. a tunnel or passage that allows pedestrians, cyclists, or vehicles to pass below a road or other obstruction

synonym : subway, tunnel, passage

(1) **underpass** shelter, (2) railway **underpass**

The **underpass** construction project was started to alleviate the city's growing traffic problem.

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

synonym : disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

stroll

v. to walk somewhere in a slow, relaxed way and with no apparent aim

synonym : amble, roam, mope

(1) **stroll** across a street, (2) **stroll** through the countryside

We could **stroll** into town if you like.

democracy

n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

synonym : self-government, republic, commonwealth

(1) **democracy** advocate, (2) principles of **democracy**

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

messy

adj. disorganized and untidy

synonym : cluttered, disorganized, untidy

(1) **messy** data, (2) **messy** handling

His **messy** bedroom is always a source of frustration for his mother.

utilize

v. to use something for a practical purpose in an effective way

synonym: employ, use, operate

(1) **utilize** a different approach, (2) **utilize** a catheter

The cook **utilized** the leftover oxtail to make soup.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

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.

creative

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

synonym: imaginative, innovative, inventive

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

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

dampen

v. to make something wet or moist; to reduce the intensity or impact of something, such as a feeling, sound, or movement

synonym: drench, moisten, saturate

(1) **dampen** the sound, (2) **dampen** the enthusiasm

The rain helped **dampen** the flames of the campfire.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true
synonym : chance, prospect, likelihood

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

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

literally

adv. in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively

synonym : actually, truly, verily

(1) translate **literally**, (2) bite his tongue **literally**

He **literally** jumped out of his chair when he heard the news.

glide

v. to move smoothly and effortlessly

synonym : slide, skim, coast

(1) **glide** through the water, (2) **glide** down the mountain

The eagle gracefully **glided** on the thermals, soaring above the mountains.

trampoline

n. a strong fabric sheet attached by springs to a frame, used for bouncing on

synonym : rebounder, bouncer, springboard

(1) **trampoline** park, (2) **trampoline** jump

I love jumping on the **trampoline** in my backyard.

giant

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

synonym : big, gigantic, huge

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

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

foam

n. a mass of small air bubbles formed on the surface of a liquid; a substance that forms a lather when mixed with water

synonym : froth, lather, bubble

(1) the **foam** on a beer, (2) plastics **foam** material

The waves crashed against the rocks, creating white **foam**.

pit

n. a hole in the ground or a cavity in a surface; a place for storing or holding something; a section of a theater or sports arena where people can sit

synonym: hole, depression, indentation

(1) the bottomless **pit**, (2) the **pit** of the stomach

The **pit** of the avocado can be removed by gently wedging a spoon around it.

far-fetched

adj. (of an idea or story) so exaggerated or ludicrous as to be very difficult to believe

synonym: bizarre, doubtful, unbelievable

(1) **far-fetched** idea, (2) **far-fetched** expressions

Though his plan sounded **far-fetched** at first, he realized it anyway.

rev

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym: revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

adolescent

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

synonym: teen, preadult, youth

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

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

thrill

n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

synonym: exhilaration, delight, rush

(1) the **thrill** of speed, (2) incredible **thrill**
Skydiving is an overwhelming **thrill** for many people.

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.

equip

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

synonym : prepare, furnish, provide

(1) **equip** an army, (2) **equip** our children with some special skills

The construction company **equipped** the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

install

v. to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position

synonym : establish, inaugurate, lodge

(1) **install** a door, (2) **install** a chairperson

The new president was **installed** immediately after the national election.

extensive

adj. covering a large area; having a wide range

synonym : ample, comprehensive, vast

(1) **extensive** experience, (2) have **extensive** vocabulary

The incident attracted **extensive** media coverage throughout the world.

zip

n. a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the

United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently

synonym : fastener, postcode, slide

(1) **zip** code, (2) **zip** file

She put her phone in the **zip** pocket of her backpack.

tower

n. a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

synonym : building, belfry, edifice

(1) a bell **tower**, (2) the **tower** on a cliff

She is a **tower** of strength for our team in trouble.

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.

prioritize

v. to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

synonym : rank, order, arrange

(1) **prioritize** tasks, (2) **prioritize** people over cars

The organization **prioritized** the needs of the community in its decision-making.

beanbag

n. a small bag filled with dried beans or similar materials, used in games and as a low seat

synonym : sack chair, seat cushion, floor pillow

(1) **beanbag** toss, (2) portable **beanbag** cushion

We bought a new **beanbag** chair for our family room.

display

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

synonym : show, exhibit, present

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

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

spray

n. a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage

synonym : mist, aerosol, atomizer

(1) a **spray** of mist, (2) an insect **spray**

The artist used a **spray** paint can to create a graffiti mural on the wall.

canvas

n. the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

(1) blank **canvas**, (2) oil on **canvas**

Life is a vast **canvas**; you should put as much paint on it as possible.

addition

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

synonym : accumulation, expansion, addendum

(1) chemical **addition**, (2) **addition** of vectors

In **addition**, private corporations provide healthcare services.

dense

adj. containing a large number of people or something with little space between them

synonym : heavy, thick, idiotic

(1) nutrient- **dense** foods, (2) **dense** forests

The entire mountain is covered in **dense** rainforest.

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.

identical

adj. being the exact same one

synonym : duplicate, exact, analogous

(1) pair of **identical** twins, (2) an **identical** equation

Infant formulas are nutritionally almost **identical** to a mother's breast milk.

beige

n. a pale sandy yellowish-brown color; a cloth or material of this color

synonym : tan, khaki, sand

(1) **beige** walls, (2) **beige** fabric

The curtains in the bedroom were a beautiful shade of **beige**, which complemented the natural lighting.

condominium

n. a type of real estate property in which individuals own their own living spaces, usually within a larger complex or building where common areas such as pools and hallways are shared; a type of joint ownership arrangement

synonym : apartment, flat, unit

(1) **condominium** complex, (2) luxury **condominium**

I'm considering buying a high-rise **condominium** instead of renting an apartment.

bench

n. a long, flat surface, often elevated and supported by legs, used for sitting, working, or displaying objects; persons who administer justice

synonym : seat, terrace, judiciary

(1) **bench** conference, (2) **bench board**

I sat on the **bench** in the park and enjoyed the beautiful scenery.

tranquility

n. a state of calmness or peacefulness; absence of agitation, disturbance, or turbulence; a peaceful or serene environment

synonym : calmness, serenity, peace

(1) the **tranquility** of the environment, (2) feeling of **tranquility**

She found **tranquility** by meditating in the garden.

biology

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

(1) evolutionary **biology**, (2) cell and molecular **biology**

In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in **biology** class.

backyard

n. a whole space behind and belonging to a house

synonym: courtyard, garden

(1) play in the **backyard**, (2) **backyard** barbecue

He grows vegetables in his **backyard**.

incorporate

v. to include something as a part of a larger entity

synonym: contain, integrate, amalgamate

(1) **incorporate** the current trends, (2) **incorporate** technology into daily life

We will attempt to **incorporate** some of your suggestions into our future strategy.

immediate

adj. happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else

synonym: prompt, quick, instantaneous

(1) take **immediate** effect, (2) the **immediate** past

Both forts were subject to **immediate** attacks.

environment

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

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

desire

n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
synonym: ambition, appetite, greed

(1) unsatisfied **desire**, (2) fleshly **desire**

Low sexual **desire** typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

toddler

n. a young child who has recently learned to walk
synonym: child, infant, youngster

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

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

discovery

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

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

evaluate

v. to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something

synonym: assess, estimate, consider

(1) **evaluate** the grant proposal, (2) **evaluate** a situation

The meeting aims to **evaluate** possible choices.

corridor

n. a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure

synonym: hallway, passageway, aisle

(1) walk along a **corridor**, (2) air **corridor**

The long **corridor** was filled with people rushing to get to their rooms before the meeting began.

stretch

v. to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking

synonym: lengthen, prolong, extend

(1) **stretch** along the coast, (2) **stretch** a story

Some herds have been observed to **stretch** hundreds of kilometers.

ditch

n. a long, narrow, and shallow depression or channel that is dug into the ground; (verb) to throw away

synonym: trench, channel, furrow

(1) agricultural **ditch**, (2) **ditch** my career

The farmers used **ditches** to drain water from their fields.

sparkle

v. to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy

synonym: shine, glimmer, twinkle

(1) **sparkle** like a gem, (2) **sparkle** from receiving light

The diamond **sparkled** in the sunlight.

destination

n. the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action

synonym: location, endpoint, target

(1) travel **destination**, (2) romantic **destinations**

I am excited to reach my **destination** and explore the new city finally.

insect

n. any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections

(1) **insect** antenna, (2) **insect** biology

These **insects** are more prevalent above a certain latitude.

mammal

n. any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body

(1) a primitive **mammal**, (2) a sort of **mammal**

Marine **mammal** populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.

prominently

adv. in a noticeable or important position, attracting attention or emphasis

synonym : notably, significantly, obviously

(1) featured **prominently**, (2) **prominently** placed

The name of the company was **prominently** displayed on the building.

grasshopper

n. large jumping insect; used to symbolize restlessness or ephemerality

synonym : locust, katydid, cricket

(1) **grasshopper** mice, (2) **grasshopper** species

The **grasshopper** leaped from one blade of grass to another.

empathy

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

synonym : compassion, sympathy, tenderness

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

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

inclusive

adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

synonym : cover-all, all-embracing, comprehensive

(1) a fully **inclusive** price, (2) **inclusive** education

The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its **inclusive** policy.

wheelchair

n. a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk

(1) electric-powered **wheelchair**, (2) **wheelchair** accessibility

This library rents out various types of folding **wheelchairs** for visitors.

homeless

adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets

synonym : destitute, displaced, transient

(1) **homeless** shelter, (2) a **homeless** cat

He became **homeless** after losing his job.

creature

n. a living being, especially an animal

synonym: being, animal, organism

(1) **creature** of habit, (2) artificial **creature**

The deep sea **creature** was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

ego

n. a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one

synonym: self-esteem, personality, psyche

(1) **ego** defense mechanisms, (2) national **ego**

She was constantly trying to boost her **ego** by talking about her accomplishments.

corporation

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

synonym: business, company, enterprise

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

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

compelling

adj. arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration

synonym: tempting, captivating, influential

(1) tell a **compelling** story, (2) new and **compelling** evidence

His **compelling** presentation deeply moved everyone.

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.

indicator

n. something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing

synonym : barometer, signal, index

(1) **indicator** lamp, (2) performance **indicators**

Several IT millionaires have shown that the level of education is a relatively poor **indicator** of whether a business can be successfully run.

hop

v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

synonym : jump, bounce, skip

(1) **hop** on one foot, (2) **hop** from one place to another

The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.

afford

v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

(1) **afford** to buy a new car, (2) **afford** a high travel cost

He cannot **afford** a holiday.

alternative

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

synonym : choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**

Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

venue

n. a location or place where an event or activity takes place; a place where something happens or is performed

synonym : location, site, arena

(1) **venue** capacity, (2) wedding **venue**

The concert **venue** was packed with excited fans.

frequent

adj. happening constantly

synonym : periodic, recurring, routine

(1) **frequent** absence, (2) **frequent** use
His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

elderly

adj. (a polite word for) old
synonym: aged, old, senior

(1) a home for the **elderly**, (2) **elderly** woman
The **elderly** woman is quite energetic.

independence

n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence
synonym: freedom, liberty, autonomy

(1) financial **independence**, (2) **independence** ceremony
There is nothing more valuable than **independence** and freedom.

blind

adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
synonym: sightless, unseeing, random

(1) **blind** to the beauties, (2) **blind** spot
She was nearly **blind** due to severe diabetes.

spot

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

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor
This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

immigrant

n. a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently
synonym: settler, expatriate, emigrant

(1) **immigrant** communities, (2) an **immigrant** from the country
Police received a report of illegal **immigrants** in the area.

disability

n. a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do
synonym: impairment, disadvantage, restriction

(1) a **disability** pension, (2) a learning **disability**

Listening to music at a high volume may lead to a hearing **disability**.

overlook

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

synonym: disregard, look down, supervise

(1) **overlook** a street, (2) **overlook** that fact

We cannot **overlook** an opportunity for great success.

Session 2: Spelling

1. bo__ded with delight *v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
2. pre-ado_____nt children *n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult
3. have ex_____ve vocabulary *adj.* covering a large area; having a wide range
4. ov_____ok a street *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
5. roller sk__e *n.* a type of footwear that has a blade attached to its sole for skating on ice or other hard surfaces; an activity or sport that involves gliding on skates on ice or other hard surfaces
6. pair of id_____al twins *adj.* being the exact same one
7. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
8. cor_____on assets *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
9. artificial cr_____re *n.* a living being, especially an animal
10. st___l through the countryside *v.* to walk somewhere in a slow, relaxed way and with no apparent aim
11. play in the ba_____rd *n.* a whole space behind and belonging to a house

ANSWERS: 1. bound, 2. adolescent, 3. extensive, 4. overlook, 5. skate, 6. identical, 7. opportune, 8. corporation, 9. creature, 10. stroll, 11. backyard

23. en_____er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
24. full of em_____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
25. sp_____e like a gem *v.* to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy
26. source of ins_____on *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
27. me__y data *adj.* disorganized and untidy
28. agricultural di__h *n.* a long, narrow, and shallow depression or channel that is dug into the ground; (verb) to throw away
29. electric-powered whe_____ir *n.* a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk
30. outdoor r__k *n.* a flat, typically enclosed surface used for skating or other recreational activities such as roller skating, ice hockey, or curling
31. far_____ed idea *adj.* (of an idea or story) so exaggerated or ludicrous as to be very difficult to believe
32. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group

ANSWERS: 23. encounter, 24. empathy, 25. sparkle, 26. inspiration, 27. messy, 28. ditch, 29. wheelchair, 30. rink, 31. far-fetched, 32. combine

33. in_____l a chairperson *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
34. brilliant fl__h *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
35. ra___y used *adv.* not happening often; infrequently; seldom
36. a learning dis_____ty *n.* a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do
37. 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
38. h_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
39. un_____ss shelter *n.* a tunnel or passage that allows pedestrians, cyclists, or vehicles to pass below a road or other obstruction
40. tr__h disposal site *n.* discarded material, refuse, or waste
41. in_____ce the daily life *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
42. have sur_____gly little effect *adv.* in a way that causes amazement or wonder

ANSWERS: 33. install, 34. flash, 35. rarely, 36. disability, 37. develop, 38. hop, 39. underpass, 40. trash, 41. influence, 42. surprisingly

43. a bell to__r *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
44. there is no other alt____ve *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
45. a glass t__e *n.* a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape
46. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
47. da____n the enthusiasm *v.* to make something wet or moist; to reduce the intensity or impact of something, such as a feeling, sound, or movement
48. gi__t trees *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
49. z_p file *n.* a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently
50. 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

ANSWERS: 43. tower, 44. alternative, 45. tube, 46. communal, 47. dampen, 48. giant, 49. zip, 50. observe

51. b__d curtain *n.* a small, usually round object made of glass, wood, or plastic that is used for decoration or as part of jewelry
52. barren of cr____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
53. cognitive com____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
54. roller r__k *n.* a flat, typically enclosed surface used for skating or other recreational activities such as roller skating, ice hockey, or curling
55. con____um complex *n.* a type of real estate property in which individuals own their own living spaces, usually within a larger complex or building where common areas such as pools and hallways are shared; a type of joint ownership arrangement
56. 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
57. at inc____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
58. in____ve education *adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
59. pos____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true

ANSWERS: 51. bead, 52. creative, 53. complexity, 54. rink, 55. condominium, 56. fast-forward, 57. incredible, 58. inclusive, 59. possibility

60. 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
61. be__h board *n.* a long, flat surface, often elevated and supported by legs, used for sitting, working, or displaying objects; persons who administer justice
62. 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
63. the p_t of the stomach *n.* a hole in the ground or a cavity in a surface; a place for storing or holding something; a section of a theater or sports arena where people can sit
64. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
65. tra_____ne park *n.* a strong fabric sheet attached by springs to a frame, used for bouncing on
66. fru_____on level *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
67. in___t antenna *n.* any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections
68. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

ANSWERS: 60. discuss, 61. bench, 62. fast-forward, 63. pit, 64. discovery, 65. trampoline, 66. frustration, 67. insect, 68. creative

69. a qu____r mile *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
70. strong and co_____ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
71. in_____l a door *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
72. uns_____ing boys and girls *adj.* unaware of the presence of danger; not suspicious
73. an insect sp__y *n.* a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage
74. the f__m on a beer *n.* a mass of small air bubbles formed on the surface of a liquid; a substance that forms a lather when mixed with water
75. ut_____e a different approach *v.* to use something for a practical purpose in an effective way
76. aff_____le solution *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
77. a hos_____le welcome *adj.* friendly and generous to visitors or guests
78. de__e forests *adj.* containing a large number of people or something with little space between them
79. sk__e park *n.* a type of footwear that has a blade attached to its sole for skating on ice or other hard surfaces; an activity or sport that involves gliding on skates on ice or other hard surfaces

ANSWERS: 69. quarter, 70. committed, 71. install, 72. unsuspecting, 73. spray, 74. foam, 75. utilize, 76. affordable, 77. hospitable, 78. dense, 79. skate

80. performance in_____ors *n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing
81. occ_____lly change the routine *adv.* now and then; sometimes but not often
82. access to public tr_____rt *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
83. st____l across a street *v.* to walk somewhere in a slow, relaxed way and with no apparent aim
84. unr_____ble demand *adj.* not fair, sensible, or likely to be true
85. da____n the sound *v.* to make something wet or moist; to reduce the intensity or impact of something, such as a feeling, sound, or movement
86. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
87. gra_____er mice *n.* large jumping insect; used to symbolize restlessness or ephemerality
88. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
89. be__e fabric *n.* a pale sandy yellowish-brown color; a cloth or material of this color
90. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 80. indicator, 81. occasionally, 82. transport, 83. stroll, 84. unreasonable, 85. dampen, 86. decision, 87. grasshopper, 88. rev, 89. beige, 90. opportune

101. a fl__h of lightning *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
102. ine_____le result *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
103. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
104. ca____n ball *n.* a large, heavy gun fired from a fixed position or mounted on a vehicle, used in warfare or hunting
105. st_____h along the coast *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
106. re___t all imperfect merchandise *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
107. sp_____e from receiving light *v.* to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy
108. ov_____ok that fact *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
109. ka__k adventure *n.* a small, narrow boat traditionally used by the Inuit people for hunting and fishing, which has a covered deck and is propelled using a double-bladed paddle
110. cr_____re of habit *n.* a living being, especially an animal
111. take im_____te effect *adj.* happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else

ANSWERS: 101. flash, 102. inevitable, 103. decision, 104. cannon, 105. stretch, 106. reject, 107. sparkle, 108. overlook, 109. kayak, 110. creature, 111. immediate

112. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
113. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
114. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
115. bo_____r field *n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion
116. f__p over the pork chop *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
117. gl__e through the water *v.* to move smoothly and effortlessly
118. bl__d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
119. in___e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
120. ha___e a precious object *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
121. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
122. 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

ANSWERS: 112. engage, 113. possibility, 114. decide, 115. boulder, 116. flip, 117. glide, 118. blind, 119. invite, 120. handle, 121. suppose, 122. movement

123. in_____te matter *adj.* not having life or spirit; not animate
124. cr____s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
125. di_____y merchandise *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
126. ex____d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
127. 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
128. di_____y artwork *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
129. in____t biology *n.* any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections
130. ar_____ct of the peace accord *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
131. z_p code *n.* a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently

ANSWERS: 123. inanimate, 124. crisis, 125. display, 126. expand, 127. process, 128.

display, 129. insect, 130. architect, 131. zip

132. the to__r on a cliff *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
133. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
134. the lower ch_____r *n.* a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament
135. leg_____te question *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
136. pri_____ze tasks *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
137. bl__d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
138. hi_____ht a string in red *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
139. bo__d up a staircase *v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
140. syn_____ze molecules *v.* to combine a substance to make a more complex product or compound
141. a rid_____us suggestion *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
142. in a co_____ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
143. the im_____te past *adj.* happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else

ANSWERS: 132. tower, 133. improvisation, 134. chamber, 135. legitimate, 136. prioritize, 137. blind, 138. highlight, 139. bound, 140. synthesize, 141. ridiculous, 142. committed, 143. immediate

144. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
145. ro_____ly check *adv.* on a regular or habitual basis; in a manner that is customary or expected
146. chemical ad_____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
147. boys in the twelfth gr___e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
148. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
149. ut_____e a catheter *v.* to use something for a practical purpose in an effective way
150. blank ca____s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
151. 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
152. designed for in____r use *adj.* located, happened, or used inside a building
153. im_____nt a corporate strategy *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect

ANSWERS: 144. environment, 145. routinely, 146. addition, 147. grade, 148. construct, 149. utilize, 150. canvas, 151. process, 152. indoor, 153. implement

154. translate li_____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
155. 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
156. sur_____gly advanced culture *adv.* in a way that causes amazement or wonder
157. hos_____le environment *adj.* friendly and generous to visitors or guests
158. inc_____te the current trends *v.* to include something as a part of a larger entity
159. cell and molecular bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
160. outdoor rec_____on *n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place
161. fleshly de_____e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
162. con_____nt on business activity *n.* a limit or restriction on something, such as an action, behavior, or thought
163. ba_____rd barbecue *n.* a whole space behind and belonging to a house
164. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 154. literally, 155. observe, 156. surprisingly, 157. hospitable, 158. incorporate, 159. biology, 160. recreation, 161. desire, 162. constraint, 163. backyard, 164. communal

165. a ma___l of beauty *n.* someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise
166. a home for the el____y *adj.* (a polite word for) old
167. la____y mitigate the issue *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
168. gi__t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
169. se____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
170. ka__k paddle *n.* a small, narrow boat traditionally used by the Inuit people for hunting and fishing, which has a covered deck and is propelled using a double-bladed paddle
171. aff_____le housing *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
172. im_____nt security measures *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
173. tell a com_____ng story *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
174. travel des_____on *n.* the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action
175. get ins_____on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
176. nutrient-de__e foods *adj.* containing a large number of people or something with little space between them

ANSWERS: 165. marvel, 166. elderly, 167. largely, 168. giant, 169. separate, 170. kayak, 171. affordable, 172. implement, 173. compelling, 174. destination, 175. inspiration, 176. dense

177. in_____or lamp *n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing
178. new and com_____ng evidence *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
179. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
180. be__e walls *n.* a pale sandy yellowish-brown color; a cloth or material of this color
181. beaded br_____et *n.* a piece of jewelry worn around the wrist, often as an ornament or decoration
182. stylistically inn_____ve works *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
183. int_____ory biology text *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
184. to_____r in nappy *n.* a young child who has recently learned to walk
185. a primitive ma___l *n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
186. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
187. oil on ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

ANSWERS: 177. indicator, 178. compelling, 179. incredible, 180. beige, 181. bracelet, 182. innovative, 183. introductory, 184. toddler, 185. mammal, 186. rev, 187. canvas

188. the tra_____ty of the environment *n.* a state of calmness or peacefulness; absence of agitation, disturbance, or turbulence; a peaceful or serene environment
189. ex___d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
190. a dry cr__k *n.* a small, narrow stream or waterway; a narrow, winding passage between cliffs or hills
191. re_____gn of lifestyle *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
192. railway un_____ss *n.* a tunnel or passage that allows pedestrians, cyclists, or vehicles to pass below a road or other obstruction
193. ad_____on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
194. a leg_____te child *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
195. featured pro_____ly *adv.* in a noticeable or important position, attracting attention or emphasis
196. ur__n property owners *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
197. fr_____nt absence *adj.* happening constantly
198. financial cr___s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
199. pr_____ol education *adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time

ANSWERS: 188. tranquility, 189. expand, 190. creek, 191. redesign, 192. underpass, 193. addition, 194. legitimate, 195. prominently, 196. urban, 197. frequent, 198. crisis, 199. preschool

200. b_t my future	v.	to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
201. su_____e you're right	v.	to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
202. regularly co_____t with a doctor	v.	to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject
203. ine_____le changes of the seasons	adj.	certain to happen and unavoidable
204. incredible th___l	n.	a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
205. tr__h bin	n.	discarded material, refuse, or waste
206. an in___r pool	adj.	located, happened, or used inside a building
207. gra_____er species	n.	large jumping insect; used to symbolize restlessness or ephemerality
208. re___t the proposal	v.	to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
209. strict time con_____nts	n.	a limit or restriction on something, such as an action, behavior, or thought
210. charm br_____et	n.	a piece of jewelry worn around the wrist, often as an ornament or decoration
211. a public cor_____on	n.	a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

ANSWERS: 200. bet, 201. suppose, 202. consult, 203. inevitable, 204. thrill, 205. trash, 206. indoor, 207. grasshopper, 208. reject, 209. constraint, 210. bracelet, 211. corporation

212. luxury con_____um *n.* a type of real estate property in which individuals own their own living spaces, usually within a larger complex or building where common areas such as pools and hallways are shared; a type of joint ownership arrangement
213. ho_____ss shelter *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
214. landscape ar_____ct *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
215. romantic des_____ons *n.* the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action
216. ci__c activity *adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
217. follow his rec_____ions *n.* an official suggestion that something is good or suitable for a particular purpose or job
218. a ho_____ss cat *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
219. technical ma____l *n.* someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise
220. ha____ed the incident *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
221. eq__p an army *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

ANSWERS: 212. condominium, 213. homeless, 214. architect, 215. destination, 216. civic, 217. recommendation, 218. homeless, 219. marvel, 220. handle, 221. equip

222. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
223. a gas ch_____r *n.* a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament
224. evolutionary bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
225. whe_____ir accessibility *n.* a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk
226. be__h conference *n.* a long, flat surface, often elevated and supported by legs, used for sitting, working, or displaying objects; persons who administer justice
227. the fr__e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
228. national e_o *n.* a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one
229. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
230. lava bo_____r *n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion
231. a sort of ma___l *n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body

ANSWERS: 222. improvisation, 223. chamber, 224. biology, 225. wheelchair, 226. bench, 227. frame, 228. ego, 229. engage, 230. boulder, 231. mammal

232. do_____wn building *adv.* in or towards the central area of a town or city
233. la_____y accepted *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
234. ca_____n salute *n.* a large, heavy gun fired from a fixed position or mounted on a vehicle, used in warfare or hunting
235. an ad_____te of disarmament *n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
236. en_____er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
237. do_____wn traffic *adv.* in or towards the central area of a town or city
238. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
239. 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
240. tr_____rt facilities *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
241. public education ad_____tes *n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something

ANSWERS: 232. downtown, 233. largely, 234. cannon, 235. advocate, 236. encounter, 237. downtown, 238. discovery, 239. movement, 240. transport, 241. advocate

242. fl__d advisory *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
243. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
244. co_____t my wallet *v.* to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject
245. h_p from one place to another *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
246. end of the first qu_____r *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
247. co_____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
248. a rid_____us amount of money *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
249. inc_____te technology into daily life *v.* to include something as a part of a larger entity
250. ex_____ve experience *adj.* covering a large area; having a wide range
251. use of inn_____ve technology *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
252. ind_____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence

ANSWERS: 242. flood, 243. invite, 244. consult, 245. hop, 246. quarter, 247. combine, 248. ridiculous, 249. incorporate, 250. extensive, 251. innovative, 252. independence

253. in_____te nature *adj.* not having life or spirit; not animate
254. a picture fr__e *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
255. eq__p our children with some special skills *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
256. st_____h a story *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
257. win a po___m position *n.* a raised platform or stand that is used for delivering speeches, conducting meetings, or presenting awards
258. air co_____or *n.* a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure
259. ve__e capacity *n.* a location or place where an event or activity takes place; a place where something happens or is performed
260. wedding ve__e *n.* a location or place where an event or activity takes place; a place where something happens or is performed
261. ra___y seen *adv.* not happening often; infrequently; seldom
262. walk along a co_____or *n.* a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure
263. beauty s__t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

ANSWERS: 253. inanimate, 254. frame, 255. equip, 256. stretch, 257. podium, 258. corridor, 259. venue, 260. venue, 261. rarely, 262. corridor, 263. spot

264. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
265. sk_____al scientists *adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful
266. plastics f__m material *n.* a mass of small air bubbles formed on the surface of a liquid; a substance that forms a lather when mixed with water
267. far_____ed expressions *adj.* (of an idea or story) so exaggerated or ludicrous as to be very difficult to believe
268. pho_____ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
269. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
270. af____d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
271. a fully in_____ve price *adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
272. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
273. during pr_____ol years *adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time

ANSWERS: 264. separate, 265. skeptical, 266. foam, 267. far-fetched, 268. photograph, 269. democracy, 270. afford, 271. inclusive, 272. complexity, 273. preschool

274. hi_____ht an important difference *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
275. uns_____ing victim *adj.* unaware of the presence of danger; not suspicious
276. an im_____nt from the country *n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently
277. po___m finisher *n.* a raised platform or stand that is used for delivering speeches, conducting meetings, or presenting awards
278. an active to_____r *n.* a young child who has recently learned to walk
279. pri_____ze people over cars *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
280. be_____g toss *n.* a small bag filled with dried beans or similar materials, used in games and as a low seat
281. a fl__d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
282. product int_____ory sale *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
283. foreign po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 274. highlight, 275. unsuspecting, 276. immigrant, 277. podium, 278. toddler, 279. prioritize, 280. beanbag, 281. flood, 282. introductory, 283. policy

284. ev_____te the grant proposal *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
285. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
286. re_____gn project *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
287. unsatisfied de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
288. a sp___y of mist *n.* a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage
289. occ_____lly dine with friends *adv.* now and then; sometimes but not often
290. a sk_____al attitude *adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful
291. di__h my career *n.* a long, narrow, and shallow depression or channel that is dug into the ground; (verb) to throw away
292. 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
293. express fru_____on *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something

ANSWERS: 284. evaluate, 285. decide, 286. redesign, 287. desire, 288. spray, 289. occasionally, 290. skeptical, 291. ditch, 292. develop, 293. frustration

294. an alt_____ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
295. health po____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
296. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
297. ur__n planning *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
298. portable be_____g cushion *n.* a small bag filled with dried beans or similar materials, used in games and as a low seat
299. pho_____ph memories *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
300. fr_____nt use *adj.* happening constantly
301. a letter of rec_____ion *n.* an official suggestion that something is good or suitable for a particular purpose or job
302. ro_____ly scheduled maintenance *adv.* on a regular or habitual basis; in a manner that is customary or expected
303. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

ANSWERS: 294. alternative, 295. policy, 296. grade, 297. urban, 298. beanbag, 299. photograph, 300. frequent, 301. recommendation, 302. routinely, 303. construct

304. financial ind_____nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
305. el_____y woman *adj.* (a polite word for) old
306. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
307. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
308. im_____nt communities *n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently
309. 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
310. in_____ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
311. rec_____on of the homeland *n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place
312. a beautiful b__d *n.* a small, usually round object made of glass, wood, or plastic that is used for decoration or as part of jewelry
313. cr__k bed *n.* a small, narrow stream or waterway; a narrow, winding passage between cliffs or hills

ANSWERS: 304. independence, 305. elderly, 306. environment, 307. democracy, 308. immigrant, 309. discuss, 310. influence, 311. recreation, 312. bead, 313. creek

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We could _____ into town if you like.
 - v. to walk somewhere in a slow, relaxed way and with no apparent aim

2. I ____ that you know it.
 - v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

3. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
 - n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

4. She put her phone in the ____ pocket of her backpack.
 - n. a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently

5. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
 - n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

6. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud _____.
 - n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

7. The company is planning to _____ its website.
 - v. to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

ANSWERS: 1. stroll, 2. bet, 3. grade, 4. zip, 5. Empathy, 6. rev, 7. redesign

8. She found _____ by meditating in the garden.
n. a state of calmness or peacefulness; absence of agitation, disturbance, or turbulence; a peaceful or serene environment
9. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.
v. to make or become better
10. The waves crashed against the rocks, creating white _____.
n. a mass of small air bubbles formed on the surface of a liquid; a substance that forms a lather when mixed with water
11. He _____ when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.
v. to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
12. He cannot _____ a holiday.
v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
13. Only a small number of _____ utilities offer sanitation services.
adj. relating to or located in a town or city
14. The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its _____ policy.
adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
15. He decided to take a walk _____ area to explore the city.
adv. in or towards the central area of a town or city
16. Marine _____ populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.
n. any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body

ANSWERS: 8. tranquility, 9. improve, 10. foam, 11. flipped, 12. afford, 13. urban, 14. inclusive, 15. downtown, 16. mammal

17. In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is _____.
adj. certain to happen and unavoidable
18. She has been practicing an ice _____ routine for months
n. a type of footwear that has a blade attached to its sole for skating on ice or other hard surfaces; an activity or sport that involves gliding on skates on ice or other hard surfaces
19. The diamond _____ in the sunlight.
v. to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy
20. The _____ leaped from one blade of grass to another.
n. large jumping insect; used to symbolize restlessness or ephemerality
21. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.
v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
22. We will attempt to _____ some of your suggestions into our future strategy.
v. to include something as a part of a larger entity
23. 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
24. The entire mountain is covered in _____ rainforest.
adj. containing a large number of people or something with little space between them

ANSWERS: 17. inevitable, 18. skate, 19. sparkled, 20. grasshopper, 21. expand, 22. incorporate, 23. fast-forward, 24. dense

25. Timely education about birth control might help reduce _____ pregnancies.
- n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult
26. 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
27. The Prime Minister stressed the need to create _____ industries.
- adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
28. Listening to music at a high volume may lead to a hearing _____.
- n.* a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do
29. The deep sea _____ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.
- n.* a living being, especially an animal
30. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.
- n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
31. He felt a deep _____ as he realized the project would not be completed on time.
- n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
32. Basketball is their usual _____ after school.
- n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place

ANSWERS: 25. adolescent, 26. movement, 27. innovative, 28. disability, 29. creature, 30. alternative, 31. frustration, 32. recreation

33. I sat on the _____ in the park and enjoyed the beautiful scenery.
- n.* a long, flat surface, often elevated and supported by legs, used for sitting, working, or displaying objects; persons who administer justice
34. We all should learn how to _____ stress.
- v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
35. We're planning a _____ trip down the river next weekend.
- n.* a small, narrow boat traditionally used by the Inuit people for hunting and fishing, which has a covered deck and is propelled using a double-bladed paddle
36. The concert _____ was packed with excited fans.
- n.* a location or place where an event or activity takes place; a place where something happens or is performed
37. 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
38. The building _____ tried to build the house above the tree.
- n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
39. This remote _____ is rarely visited.
- n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

ANSWERS: 33. bench, 34. handle, 35. kayak, 36. venue, 37. process, 38. architect, 39. spot

40. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
41. The _____ woman is quite energetic.
adj. (a polite word for) old
42. I'm considering buying a high-rise _____ instead of renting an apartment.
n. a type of real estate property in which individuals own their own living spaces, usually within a larger complex or building where common areas such as pools and hallways are shared; a type of joint ownership arrangement
43. She still _____ writes a short romance novel.
adv. now and then; sometimes but not often
44. I am excited to reach my _____ and explore the new city finally.
n. the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action
45. The long _____ was filled with people rushing to get to their rooms before the meeting began.
n. a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure
46. The construction company _____ the building with an earthquake-resistant device.
v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
47. The city _____ voted to approve the new development project.
n. a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place

ANSWERS: 40. engaged, 41. elderly, 42. condominium, 43. occasionally, 44. destination, 45. corridor, 46. equipped, 47. council

48. The artist used a _____ paint can to create a graffiti mural on the wall.
n. a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage
49. I love to skate on the ice _____ during the winter.
n. a flat, typically enclosed surface used for skating or other recreational activities such as roller skating, ice hockey, or curling
50. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
51. He became _____ after losing his job.
adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
52. I _____ eat fast food because I prefer healthy options.
adv. not happening often; infrequently; seldom
53. The _____ class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.
adj. intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
54. Four companies were amalgamated into a single _____.
n. a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
55. The rabbit _____ over the fence.
v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

ANSWERS: 48. spray, 49. rink, 50. decision, 51. homeless, 52. rarely, 53. introductory, 54. corporation, 55. hopped

56. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

57. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

58. He _____ jumped out of his chair when he heard the news.

adv. in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively

59. We cannot _____ an opportunity for great success.

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

60. The rain helped _____ the flames of the campfire.

v. to make something wet or moist; to reduce the intensity or impact of something, such as a feeling, sound, or movement

61. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

62. He is a good-natured and _____ man.

adj. friendly and generous to visitors or guests

63. 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

ANSWERS: 56. combine, 57. desire, 58. literally, 59. overlook, 60. dampen, 61. decide, 62. hospitable, 63. committed

64. His _____ presentation deeply moved everyone.

adj. arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration

65. The sound of the babbling _____ provided a soothing backdrop for campers and outdoor enthusiasts.

n. a small, narrow stream or waterway; a narrow, winding passage between cliffs or hills

66. The new president was _____ immediately after the national election.

v. to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position

67. The spider can _____ multiple different silk proteins.

v. to combine a substance to make a more complex product or compound

68. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

69. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?

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

70. The detective looked for fingerprints on the window _____.

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

71. 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

ANSWERS: 64. compelling, 65. creek, 66. installed, 67. synthesize, 68. Democracy, 69. suppose, 70. frame, 71. crisis

72. Enhanced rail _____ is crucial for our business.
- n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
73. The _____ construction project was started to alleviate the city's growing traffic problem.
- n.* a tunnel or passage that allows pedestrians, cyclists, or vehicles to pass below a road or other obstruction
74. This library rents out various types of folding _____ for visitors.
- n.* a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk
75. The organization _____ the needs of the community in its decision-making.
- v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
76. Her research team made an important _____.
- n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
77. She threaded the _____ onto the string to make a necklace.
- n.* a small, usually round object made of glass, wood, or plastic that is used for decoration or as part of jewelry
78. These heavy rains caused flash _____ on several islands.
- n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
79. Several IT millionaires have shown that the level of education is a relatively poor _____ of whether a business can be successfully run.
- n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing

ANSWERS: 72. transportation, 73. underpass, 74. wheelchairs, 75. prioritized, 76. discovery, 77. beads, 78. floods, 79. indicator

80. _____ of abolishing the death penalty often argue that the alternative heaviest sentence should be life in prison.
- n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
81. It would be _____ for me to expect you to work overtime without any extra compensation.
- adj.* not fair, sensible, or likely to be true
82. I'm prepared to _____ challenges throughout this adventure.
- v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
83. Though his plan sounded _____ at first, he realized it anyway.
- adj.* (of an idea or story) so exaggerated or ludicrous as to be very difficult to believe
84. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
- n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
85. He grows vegetables in his _____.
- n.* a whole space behind and belonging to a house
86. 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

ANSWERS: 80. Advocates, 81. unreasonable, 82. encounter, 83. far-fetched, 84. environment, 85. backyard, 86. develop

87. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.
n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
88. She is a _____ of strength for our team in trouble.
n. a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
89. His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly _____.
adj. doubting that something is accurate or useful
90. The space shuttle is a modern engineering _____.
n. someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise
91. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.
n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
92. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.
v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
93. These heavy rains caused _____ floods on several islands.
n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
94. My old school's _____ program was well-regarded and had an excellent reputation.
adj. relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time

ANSWERS: 87. influence, 88. tower, 89. skeptical, 90. marvel, 91. addition, 92. invite, 93. flash, 94. preschool

95. The ____ train was packed with commuters during rush hour.
n. a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape
96. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.
adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
97. The unemployment rate in the first _____ was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.
n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
98. Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as _____ but was later proven correct.
adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
99. The ____ of the avocado can be removed by gently wedging a spoon around it.
n. a hole in the ground or a cavity in a surface; a place for storing or holding something; a section of a theater or sports arena where people can sit
100. The company's new _____ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.
n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
101. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.
adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 95. tube, 96. creative, 97. quarter, 98. ridiculous, 99. pit, 100. policy, 101. blind

102. Table tennis is an _____ sport.

adj. located, happened, or used inside a building

103. 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

104. 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.

105. Nevada is _____ a desert state.

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

106. 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

107. The speaker stood confidently on the _____ while delivering their speech.

n. a raised platform or stand that is used for delivering speeches, conducting meetings, or presenting awards

108. Infant formulas are nutritionally almost _____ to a mother's breast milk.

adj. being the exact same one

109. These _____ are more prevalent above a certain latitude.

n. any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections

110. We made a _____ to the client.

n. an official suggestion that something is good or suitable for a particular purpose or job

ANSWERS: 102. indoor, 103. improvisation, 104. politician, 105. largely, 106. complexity, 107. podium, 108. identical, 109. insects, 110. recommendation

111. The _____ object was not capable of movement or feeling.

adj. not having life or spirit; not animate

112. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

113. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

114. Both forts were subject to _____ attacks.

adj. happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else

115. The government promised to _____ a new system to control the financial crisis.

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

116. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

117. The city promotes _____ collaboration in community development

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

118. Public political demonstrations are considered _____ rights for citizens.

adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

119. Canada _____ on the United States.

v. to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

ANSWERS: 111. inanimate, 112. separate, 113. incredible, 114. immediate, 115. implement, 116. Communal, 117. civic, 118. legitimate, 119. bounds

120. I found an old _____ of my grandparents from their wedding day.

n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

121. The surgeon made an incision in the _____ of the patient's heart.

n. a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament

122. His heartaches are less _____ now.

adj. happening constantly

123. The thief stole the wallet from the _____ tourist.

adj. unaware of the presence of danger; not suspicious

124. The exam was _____ tricky for everyone.

adv. in a way that causes amazement or wonder

125. The cook _____ the leftover oxtail to make soup.

v. to use something for a practical purpose in an effective way

126. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

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

127. Police received a report of illegal _____ in the area.

n. a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently

ANSWERS: 120. photograph, 121. chambers, 122. frequent, 123. unsuspecting, 124. surprisingly, 125. utilized, 126. constructs, 127. immigrants

128. I love jumping on the _____ in my backyard.

n. a strong fabric sheet attached by springs to a frame, used for bouncing on

129. The automaker has been providing _____ car financing options since last year.

adj. not expensive and able to pay

130. The city is taking measures to reduce the amount of _____ in the streets.

n. discarded material, refuse, or waste

131. The incident attracted _____ media coverage throughout the world.

adj. covering a large area; having a wide range

132. A _____ needs constant supervision and firm control.

n. a young child who has recently learned to walk

133. She was constantly trying to boost her ____ by talking about her accomplishments.

n. a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one

134. The curtains in the bedroom were a beautiful shade of _____ which complemented the natural lighting.

n. a pale sandy yellowish-brown color; a cloth or material of this color

135. They _____ conduct fire drills to ensure everyone in the building knows what to do in an emergency.

adv. on a regular or habitual basis; in a manner that is customary or expected

ANSWERS: 128. trampoline, 129. affordable, 130. trash, 131. extensive, 132. toddler, 133. ego, 134. beige, 135. routinely

136. The budget _____ forced them to make difficult decisions.

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

137. Some herds have been observed to _____ hundreds of kilometers.

v. to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking

138. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

139. She wore a beautiful _____ that her grandmother had given her.

n. a piece of jewelry worn around the wrist, often as an ornament or decoration

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

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

141. 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

142. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in _____ class.

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

143. Always _____ a lawyer before launching a business.

v. to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject

ANSWERS: 136. constraint, 137. stretch, 138. opportune, 139. bracelet, 140. boulder, 141. discuss, 142. biology, 143. consult

144. The meeting aims to _____ possible choices.
v. to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
145. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.
v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
146. The name of the company was _____ displayed on the building.
adv. in a noticeable or important position, attracting attention or emphasis
147. 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
148. The eagle gracefully _____ on the thermals, soaring above the mountains.
v. to move smoothly and effortlessly
149. The introduction _____ the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant
v. to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
150. The farmers used _____ to drain water from their fields.
n. a long, narrow, and shallow depression or channel that is dug into the ground;
(verb) to throw away
151. We bought a new _____ chair for our family room.
n. a small bag filled with dried beans or similar materials, used in games and as a low seat

ANSWERS: 144. evaluate, 145. rejected, 146. prominently, 147. observe, 148. glided, 149. highlighted, 150. ditches, 151. beanbag

152. The _____ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

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

153. He found _____ in the works of his favorite authors.

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

154. Life is a vast _____ you should put as much paint on it as possible.

n. the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

155. His _____ bedroom is always a source of frustration for his mother.

adj. disorganized and untidy

156. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

157. We need to _____ our products in an attractive way to attract customers.

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

158. The heavy _____ fired a loud shot that echoed across the battlefield.

n. a large, heavy gun fired from a fixed position or mounted on a vehicle, used in warfare or hunting

159. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.

n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence

160. Skydiving is an overwhelming _____ for many people.

n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

ANSWERS: 152. giant, 153. inspiration, 154. canvas;, 155. messy, 156. possibility, 157. display, 158. cannon, 159. independence, 160. thrill

ANSWERS: