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Session 1: Word List

divide

v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

synonym: separate, disconnect, split

(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money equally

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

immigration

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

synonym: migration, settlement, emigration

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

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

ugly

adj. unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at

synonym: unattractive, unsightly, repulsive

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

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

threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym: endanger, terrorize, intimidate

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

security

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

drown

v. to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater

synonym: douse, drench, overwhelm

(1) **drown** in a bath, (2) I was **drowned** in work

Floods have the potential to **drown** any subsurface animals easily.

protest

n. a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition

synonym: objection, disapproval, challenge

(1) hold a **protest**, (2) a silent **protest**

He left the party in **protest** at its radical political stance.

underneath

adv. under or below something else

synonym: below, under, beneath

(1) **underneath** the surface of the water, (2) **underneath** the laughter

The penny fell **underneath** the piano.

startling

adj. extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying

synonym: alarming, astonishing, shocking

(1) **startling** earthquake shocks, (2) **startling** discovery

He describes the story with **startling** reality.

obsess

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

synonym: torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

physician

n. a medical doctor who practices medicine

synonym: doctor, practitioner, medic

(1) the advice of the **physician**, (2) consult with a **physician**

She visited the local **physician** to seek treatment for her persistent headache.

chaotic

adj. without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing

synonym: disorderly, cluttered, topsy-turvy

(1) the **chaotic** economic situation, (2) **chaotic** theory

Change is also occurring in Turkey as a result of **chaotic** reform.

patient

n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

synonym: client, recipient, subject

(1) **patient** in the hospital, (2) **patient** with weight loss

The doctor carefully examined the **patient's** medical history.

variation

n. the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said

synonym: fluctuation, change, variation

(1) **variation** of temperature, (2) gene **variation**

There is a lot of **variation** in the colors of flowers in the garden.

asthma

n. a chronic respiratory disease characterized by wheezing, coughing, and difficulty breathing

synonym: bronchial, bronchitis, respiratory ailment

(1) **asthma** attack, (2) **asthma** symptoms

He always had to carry an inhaler due to his severe **asthma**.

exacerbate

v. to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse

synonym: worsen, aggravate, escalate

(1) **exacerbate** the situation, (2) **exacerbate** symptoms

The heat wave **exacerbated** the drought conditions.

prescribe

v. (of a doctor) to advise and order the use of particular medicine or treatment for someone, especially in writing; to issue commands or orders for something

synonym : define, specify, stipulate

(1) **prescribe** a drug, (2) **prescribe** in the preceding paragraph

Federal bankruptcy laws **prescribed** the reorganization process.

medication

n. a drug or other form of medicine that treats, prevents, or alleviates the symptoms of the disease

synonym : cure, drug, medicine

(1) antibiotic **medication**, (2) **medication** by mouth

The pharmacist not only prescribes the **medication** but also guides its proper use.

mold

n. a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

synonym : cavity, cast, mildew

(1) a casting **mold**, (2) **mold** allergy

Mushrooms and **mold** are fungi.

infection

n. a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body

synonym : contagion, disease, transmission

(1) a bacterial **infection**, (2) treat the **infection** with antibiotics

Hospitals must meet various standards to prevent nosocomial **infections**.

antibiotic

n. a substance or drug that kills or slows down the growth of bacteria

synonym : antimicrobial, chemotherapeutic, germicide

(1) **antibiotic** resistance, (2) **antibiotic** allergy

He has been prescribed an **antibiotic** to treat his infection.

complicated

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

synonym : complex, convoluted, intricate

(1) a **complicated** process, (2) become increasingly **complicated**

He did **complicated** pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

caregiving

n. the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly

synonym : nurturing, caring, assisting

(1) **caregiving** process, (2) **caregiving** responsibilities

She devoted her life to **caregiving**, looking after her aging parents.

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

synonym : wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

refrigerate

v. to cool or preserve food or other items by using a refrigerator or other cold storage device; to keep something at a low temperature to prevent spoilage or degradation

synonym : chill, cool, freeze

(1) **refrigerate** perishable, (2) **refrigerate** medicine

We need to **refrigerate** the leftovers to keep them from spoiling.

navigate

v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

synonym: guide, helm, voyage

(1) **navigate** the Pacific, (2) **navigate** through a document

Our knowledge helps **navigate** our clients successfully.

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.

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym: abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym: critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life

Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

associate

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

synonym: tie in, link, consociate

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

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

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.

cholesterol

n. a type of fat that is found in the blood and cells of the body and that is important for many bodily functions but can also contribute to heart disease and stroke when levels are too high

synonym : fat, lipid, sterol

(1) **cholesterol** levels, (2) low **cholesterol**

High levels of **cholesterol** can increase the risk of heart disease.

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.

recognize

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

synonym : acknowledge, identify, admit

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

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

outcome

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

synonym : result, consequence, effect

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

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

medical

adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

synonym : health, disease, treatment

(1) a **medical** opinion, (2) temporary **medical** treatment

The **medical** team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

determinant

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

synonym : cause, factor, element

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

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

vast

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

synonym : expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

executive

n. a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

synonym : administrator, manager, director

(1) **executive** editor at the publishing house, (2) **executive** vice president

As the **executive** director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.

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.

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.

genetic

adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes

synonym : hereditary, genetical, inborn

(1) have **genetic** testing, (2) a **genetic** disorder

Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the **genetic** code.

audacity

n. boldness or daring, especially when it is foolhardy or reckless

synonym : boldness, daring, temerity

(1) **audacity** of hope, (2) act of **audacity**

His **audacity** in stealing the painting matched his foolishness in getting caught.

buzzword

n. a word or phrase that is fashionable or popular within a particular industry, field, or culture, often used to convey a sense of innovation or sophistication

synonym : cant, catchphrase, trendy word

(1) **buzzword** bingo, (2) business **buzzwords**

Synergy has become such a **buzzword** in the business world that it has lost its meaning.

provider

n. a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted

synonym : supplier

(1) an information **provider**, (2) the **provider** of the family

People select Internet **providers** not only in terms of price but also in terms of transmission speed.

insure

v. to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
synonym: protect, guard, safeguard

(1) **insure** my house against fire, (2) **insure** domestic tranquility

I will **insure** my car before I go on a road trip.

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.

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.

infant

n. a baby or very young child

synonym: baby, newborn, tot

(1) **infant** daughter, (2) **infant** food

Mozart was an **infant** prodigy.

mortality

n. the quality or state of being subject to death

synonym: fatality

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

This disease has a high **mortality**.

trillion

n. the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million

(1) **trillion** cubic feet, (2) many **trillions** of dollars

One light year is nearly 6 **trillion** miles.

fundamental

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

synonym : basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights
Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym : completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

huddle

v. to crowd or press closely together; cuddle

synonym : cluster, crowd, group

(1) **huddle** in a temporary shelter, (2) **huddle** around the open fire

The children **huddled** together for warmth in the cold winter storm.

metabolism

n. the set of chemical reactions in cells or organisms that are necessary for life-sustaining

(1) **metabolism** enzyme, (2) hemoglobin **metabolism**

Better sleep leads to increased **metabolism**.

panel

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

synonym : board, commission, discussion

(1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym : coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

relieve

v. to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe

synonym: alleviate, ease, assuage

(1) **relieve** his thirst, (2) **relieve** stress

The medicine **relieved** his headache, and he felt much better.

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.

lament

v. to express sadness, grief, or disappointment about something, often by complaining or mourning

synonym: mourn, grieve, bemoan

(1) **lament** my misfortunes, (2) **lament** the situation

She **lamented** the loss of her beloved cat.

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.

malnutrition

n. the condition of having an improper or inadequate diet, typically resulting in weakness, illness, and developmental problems; the state of being undernourished or lacking essential nutrients

synonym: undernourishment, starvation, hunger

(1) severe **malnutrition**, (2) childhood **malnutrition**

The doctor advised the patient to eat a balanced diet to avoid **malnutrition**.

stratify

v. to arrange or divide into layers or strata based on characteristics such as social, economic, or cultural status

synonym: layer, classify, arrange in layers

(1) **stratify** populations, (2) **stratify** data

Society tends to **stratify** people into different economic classes.

argue

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

synonym: debate, dispute, quarrel

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

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

voter

n. a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election

synonym: elector, citizen

(1) an eligible **voter**, (2) **voter** apathy

The election administration nullified the election results because of **voter** fraud.

launch

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

synonym: start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

hire

v. to give somebody a job

synonym: employ, engage, lease

(1) **hire** a guide, (2) **hire** a car by the hour

We should always be prepared to **hire** talented recruits.

poll

n. an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election

synonym : survey, ballot, voting

(1) a pre-election **poll**, (2) public opinion **polls**

Several **polls** show a decline in the president's approval rating.

firm

adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

synonym : stable, secure, steadfast

(1) **firm** grip, (2) accounting **firm**

The **firm** deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

striking

adj. attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner

synonym : arresting, astonishing, exceptional

(1) **striking** innovation, (2) **striking** evidence

The two plays have many **striking** parallels.

clue

n. an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery

synonym : hint, indication, inkling

(1) a **clue** about the crime, (2) a **clue** to the diagnosis

The police couldn't find a **clue** to her whereabouts.

phrase

n. a group of words that mean something specific when used together

synonym : expression, idiom, term

(1) ready-made **phrases**, (2) noun **phrase**

We bought a Spanish **phrase** book.

educated

adj. having received a high standard of education

synonym : knowledgeable, erudite, enlightened

(1) **educated** adult, (2) **educated** speech

Excellent speech is a characteristic of an **educated** man.

strip

v. to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

synonym : deprive, undress, (noun) ribbon

(1) **strip** a tire off, (2) coast **strip**

The doctor advised him to **strip** down for a check.

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.

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.

percentage

n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

synonym : rate, ratio, portion

(1) the **percentage** of the gold content, (2) a high **percentage**

What is the **percentage** of the consumption tax in the United States?

clinic

n. a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular

condition

synonym : hospital, infirmary

(1) visit to the veterinary **clinic**, (2) a dental **clinic**

She holds a **clinic** on Tuesday mornings.

fluke

n. a stroke of luck or chance, often resulting in a positive outcome or unexpected success; an accidental or unplanned occurrence

synonym : chance, accident, stroke of luck

(1) lucky **fluke**, (2) **fluke** accident

Winning the lottery was just a **fluke**; I didn't expect it to happen.

Latino

n. a person of Latin American origin or descent, especially one living in the United States

synonym : Hispanic, Chicano

(1) **Latino** coworkers, (2) **Latino** culture

The **Latino** community has had a significant impact on American culture.

republican

n. a person who supports or advocates for a particular form of government, typically one that has an elected head of state rather than a monarch; a member or supporter of the Republican Party in the United States

synonym : conservative, right-winger, rightist

(1) **republican** ideology, (2) **Republican** party

Many **republican** lawmakers are advocating for stricter immigration policies.

fracture

n. the breaking or cracking of a rigid material or object such as bone

synonym : break, crack, rupture

(1) **fracture** test, (2) risk of bone **fractures**

X-ray inspection revealed many **fractures**.

struggle

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

break away from restraint or constriction

synonym: toil, strive, compete

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

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

medicinal

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

synonym: curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

commerce

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

synonym: trade, transaction, dealings

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

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

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.

waitress

n. a woman who serves food and drinks in a restaurant or cafe

synonym: server, attendant, waitperson

(1) **waitress** at a restaurant, (2) tip the **waitress**

The friendly **waitress** brought the food to the table and asked if they needed anything else.

enormous

adj. extremely large or great

synonym: huge, giant, gigantic

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

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

gulp

v. to swallow quickly and forcefully; to take in a large amount of air or liquid quickly and audibly because of surprise, fear, or excitement

synonym: swallow, chug, gulp down

(1) **gulp** water, (2) **gulp** air

He had to **gulp** down his coffee before rushing to work.

soda

n. a carbonated soft drink containing a sweetened syrup or flavoring, often used interchangeably with "pop" or "soda pop" in different regions of the world

synonym: pop, cola, soft drink

(1) **soda** pop, (2) lemon-lime **soda**

I'm craving a cold **soda** to quench my thirst.

exhausted

adj. extremely tired

synonym: drowsy, depleted, fatigued

(1) the **exhausted** food sources, (2) **exhausted** parents

The **exhausted** runner fell to the ground and gasped.

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.

membership

n. the state of belonging to a group, a club, an organization, etc.

synonym: belonging, enrollment, participation

(1) a **membership** fee, (2) **membership** in a stock exchange

My application for **membership** in the association was accepted.

gym

n. a place equipped for exercise and other physical training

synonym: fitness center, athletic club

(1) **gym** membership, (2) a **gym** suit

She went to the fully equipped **gym** to work out every day.

panic

n. a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action

synonym: confusion, hysteria, consternation

(1) a **panic** reaction, (2) **panic** buying

The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused **panic** in the financial markets.

residue

n. a substance that remains after a process or reaction; a remnant of something that once existed

synonym: remnants, leftover, debris

(1) **residue** after evaporation, (2) chemical **residue**

There was a **residue** of soap in the bottle that wouldn't come out.

grip

n. the act of holding onto something firmly with your hands, or the ability to do so; (verb) to hold fast or firmly

synonym: grasp, clasp, (verb) hold

(1) **grip** of fear, (2) lose my **grip**

He had a firm **grip** on the rope as he climbed the mountain.

depression

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

synonym: recession, slump, despair

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

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

crouch

v. to put your body close to the ground, especially as a way of avoiding being seen

synonym: bend down, squat, stoop

(1) **crouch** into a ball, (2) **crouch** around a fire

He **crouched** down behind the bushes to avoid being seen.

survive

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

synonym: endure, persist, stay

(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash
These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

teeter

v. to move or balance unsteadily, often in a way that suggests instability or danger; to waver or vacillate between two positions, opinions, or attitudes

synonym: wobble, totter, sway

(1) **teeter** on the edge, (2) **teeter** on the brink

The drunk man tried to **teeter** along the narrow bridge, almost falling into the river.

paycheck

n. a check issued to an employee as payment for work or services rendered; the amount of money received in this check

synonym: salary, earnings, income

(1) electronic **paycheck**, (2) monthly **paycheck**

I received a bonus on top of my regular **paycheck** this month.

rely

v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

synonym: depend, count, lean

(1) **rely** on convenience stores, (2) **rely** entirely on him

Babies heavily **rely** on others for food.

salary

n. a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month

synonym: compensation, earnings, pay

(1) a handsome **salary**, (2) **salary** after taxes

What are your annual **salary** expectations?

shadow

n. a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or

something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner

synonym: shade, silhouette, outline

(1) **shadow** cast, (2) **shadow** puppetry

The tree cast a **shadow** over the picnic area, providing relief from the sun.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym: affecting, impactful, impressive

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

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

collapse

v. to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart

synonym: tumble, spill, bankruptcy

(1) the stock market **collapsed**, (2) ready to **collapse**

The roof finally **collapsed** after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.

recover

v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

synonym: come back, convalesce, heal

(1) **recover** a loss, (2) **recover** approval ratings

She is still **recovering** from a shot to her shoulder.

decent

adj. satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense

synonym: respectable, honorable, good

(1) yearn for the **decent** living, (2) a **decent** education

He earned a **decent** salary at his job.

straightforward

adj. easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity

synonym: honest, candid, forthright

(1) **straightforward** manner, (2) make a **straightforward** dash

The defendant gave a **straightforward** and accurate description of the accident.

distribute

v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

synonym : broadcast, disperse, hand out

(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content

His estate was **distributed** to his sons.

remarkable

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

synonym : outstanding, exceptional, extraordinary

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

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

unanimous

adj. (of two or more people) in complete agreement; (of an opinion, decision, or vote) agreed or supported by everyone in a group

synonym : uncontested, consistent, unified

(1) by a **unanimous** vote, (2) obtain **unanimous** consent

That bill reached a **unanimous** agreement.

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.

candidate

n. a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant

synonym : applicant, nominee, contender

(1) **candidate** selection, (2) PhD **candidate**

The **candidate's** platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.

platform

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

synonym : stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise
The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

bonus

n. an extra amount of money that is added to payment as a present or reward for good work

synonym : extra, perk, compensation

(1) **bonus** appraisal, (2) annual **bonus**

The committee abolished the controversial **bonus** system.

scorch

v. to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame

synonym : char, burn, singe

(1) **scorch** your clothes, (2) careful not to **scorch**

The sun **scorched** the desert, making it uninhabitable.

alike

adv. similar or identical in nature or appearance

synonym : similar, identical, comparable

(1) young and old **alike**, (2) **alike** in nature

The two paintings looked **alike** as if the same artist had done them.

wage

n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

synonym : payment, compensation, salary

(1) unpaid **wages**, (2) increase in the minimum **wage**

His **wages** continued to rise as his skills improved.

radical

adj. relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions

synonym : extreme, revolutionary

(1) a **radical** flaw in the plan, (2) a **radical** cure

The government established by the coup was more **radical** than before.

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.

overdue

adj. past the expected or scheduled time; not completed or paid on time; delayed, tardy, or postponed

synonym: late, delinquent, outstanding

(1) **overdue** bill, (2) **overdue** task

Her library books were **overdue**, so she had to pay a fine to check out more.

marshal

n. a military officer of high rank or a person in charge of organizing or leading a parade or public event; a law enforcement official or officer responsible for maintaining order and enforcing regulations; (verb) to organize, arrange, or gather together resources, information, or people in a deliberate and systematic manner

synonym: marshal, commander, organizer

(1) **marshal** the books into their proper places, (2) deputy **marshal**

The event organizer appointed a professional **marshal** to manage the flow of traffic.

courage

n. the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

synonym: bravery, valor, fearlessness

(1) mental **courage**, (2) inspire **courage**

It takes a lot of **courage** to stand up for what you believe is right.

Session 2: Spelling

1. ar__e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
2. na_____te through a document *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
3. lower infant mo_____ty *n.* the quality or state of being subject to death
4. en_____us amount *adj.* extremely large or great
5. hu___e around the open fire *v.* to crowd or press closely together; cuddle
6. cr___h around a fire *v.* to put your body close to the ground, especially as a way of avoiding being seen
7. th_____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
8. bu_____rd bingo *n.* a word or phrase that is fashionable or popular within a particular industry, field, or culture, often used to convey a sense of innovation or sophistication
9. the pr_____er of the family *n.* a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted
10. La___o culture *n.* a person of Latin American origin or descent, especially one living in the United States

ANSWERS: 1. argue, 2. navigate, 3. mortality, 4. enormous, 5. huddle, 6. crouch, 7. threaten, 8. buzzword, 9. provider, 10. Latino

11. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
12. have ge_____c testing *adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
13. cost of solar pa__ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
14. business bu_____rds *n.* a word or phrase that is fashionable or popular within a particular industry, field, or culture, often used to convey a sense of innovation or sophistication
15. s__a pop *n.* a carbonated soft drink containing a sweetened syrup or flavoring, often used interchangeably with "pop" or "soda pop" in different regions of the world
16. u__y building *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
17. te____r on the brink *v.* to move or balance unsteadily, often in a way that suggests instability or danger; to waver or vacillate between two positions, opinions, or attitudes
18. re_____e after evaporation *n.* a substance that remains after a process or reaction; a remnant of something that once existed
19. au_____ty of hope *n.* boldness or daring, especially when it is foolhardy or reckless

ANSWERS: 11. colleague, 12. genetic, 13. panel, 14. buzzword, 15. soda, 16. ugly, 17. teeter, 18. residue, 19. audacity

20. va_____on of temperature *n.* the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said
21. f__m grip *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
22. a ra_____l cure *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
23. pa__l discussion *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
24. lucky fl__e *n.* a stroke of luck or chance, often resulting in a positive outcome or unexpected success; an accidental or unplanned occurrence
25. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
26. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
27. the root problem of her dep_____on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

ANSWERS: 20. variation, 21. firm, 22. radical, 23. panel, 24. fluke, 25. possibility, 26. communal, 27. depression

28. st__p a tire off
v. to remove the surface from something;
(noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
29. pr_____be a drug
v. (of a doctor) to advise and order the use of particular medicine or treatment for someone, especially in writing; to issue commands or orders for something
30. bo__d up a staircase
v. to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
31. tr_____on cubic feet
n. the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
32. a com_____ed process
adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
33. und_____th the laughter
adv. under or below something else
34. bo__ded with delight
v. to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
35. r__y entirely on him
v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
36. st_____fy data
v. to arrange or divide into layers or strata based on characteristics such as social, economic, or cultural status
37. st_____ng evidence
adj. attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner
38. mental co_____e
n. the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

ANSWERS: 28. strip, 29. prescribe, 30. bound, 31. trillion, 32. complicated, 33. underneath, 34. bound, 35. rely, 36. stratify, 37. striking, 38. courage

39. sc___h your clothes *v.* to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame
40. ch_____c theory *adj.* without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing
41. the per_____ge of the gold content *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
42. a g_m suit *n.* a place equipped for exercise and other physical training
43. dr__n in a bath *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
44. st_____ng innovation *adj.* attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner
45. r__y on convenience stores *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
46. ro_____ly scheduled maintenance *adv.* on a regular or habitual basis; in a manner that is customary or expected
47. int_____ory biology text *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
48. car_____ng process *n.* the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly
49. ob___s over her weight *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

ANSWERS: 39. scorch, 40. chaotic, 41. percentage, 42. gym, 43. drown, 44. striking, 45. rely, 46. routinely, 47. introductory, 48. caregiving, 49. obsess

50. treat the in_____on with antibiotics *n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body
51. a det_____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
52. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
53. an u__y sound *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
54. ov_____e task *adj.* past the expected or scheduled time; not completed or paid on time; delayed, tardy, or postponed
55. lose my g__p *n.* the act of holding onto something firmly with your hands, or the ability to do so; (verb) to hold fast or firmly
56. PhD ca_____te *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
57. m__d allergy *n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
58. rem_____le achievement *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special

ANSWERS: 50. infection, 51. determinant, 52. divide, 53. ugly, 54. overdue, 55. grip, 56. candidate, 57. mold, 58. remarkable

59. hu___e in a temporary shelter *v.* to crowd or press closely together; cuddle
60. g__p of fear *n.* the act of holding onto something firmly with your hands, or the ability to do so; (verb) to hold fast or firmly
61. the rem_____le breadth of knowledge *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
62. med_____on by mouth *n.* a drug or other form of medicine that treats, prevents, or alleviates the symptoms of the disease
63. the ch_____c economic situation *adj.* without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing
64. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
65. a dental cl____c *n.* a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition
66. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
67. deputy ma_____l *n.* a military officer of high rank or a person in charge of organizing or leading a parade or public event; a law enforcement official or officer responsible for maintaining order and enforcing regulations; (verb) to organize, arrange, or gather together resources, information, or people in a deliberate and systematic manner

ANSWERS: 59. huddle, 60. grip, 61. remarkable, 62. medication, 63. chaotic, 64. possibility, 65. clinic, 66. essential, 67. marshal

68. a c__e to the diagnosis *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
69. an eligible vo__r *n.* a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election
70. pa____t with weight loss *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
71. exa_____te symptoms *v.* to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse
72. a pa__c reaction *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
73. la__h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
74. ed_____ed adult *adj.* having received a high standard of education
75. act of au____ty *n.* boldness or daring, especially when it is foolhardy or reckless
76. en____us potential *adj.* extremely large or great
77. a silent pr____t *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
78. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings

ANSWERS: 68. clue, 69. voter, 70. patient, 71. exacerbate, 72. panic, 73. launch, 74. educated, 75. audacity, 76. enormous, 77. protest, 78. emotional

79. ready to co____se *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
80. re____e stress *v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe
81. interstate co____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
82. severe mal______ion *n.* the condition of having an improper or inadequate diet, typically resulting in weakness, illness, and developmental problems; the state of being undernourished or lacking essential nutrients
83. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
84. noun ph____e *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
85. re____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
86. the stock market co____sed *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
87. an arrival pl____rm *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
88. af____d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

ANSWERS: 79. collapse, 80. relieve, 81. commerce, 82. malnutrition, 83. vast, 84. phrase, 85. recognize, 86. collapse, 87. platform, 88. afford

89. tip the wa_____ss *n.* a woman who serves food and drinks in a restaurant or cafe
90. im_____e a process *v.* to make or become better
91. in____e domestic tranquility *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
92. I was dr__ned in work *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
93. access to public tr_____rt *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
94. annual bo__s *n.* an extra amount of money that is added to payment as a present or reward for good work
95. unpaid w__es *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
96. g__p air *v.* to swallow quickly and forcefully; to take in a large amount of air or liquid quickly and audibly because of surprise, fear, or excitement
97. the local chamber of co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
98. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
99. ref_____te perishable *v.* to cool or preserve food or other items by using a refrigerator or other cold storage device; to keep something at a low temperature to prevent spoilage or degradation

ANSWERS: 89. waitress, 90. improve, 91. insure, 92. drown, 93. transport, 94. bonus, 95. wage, 96. gulp, 97. commerce, 98. mass, 99. refrigerate

100. te___r on the edge *v.* to move or balance unsteadily, often in a way that suggests instability or danger; to waver or vacillate between two positions, opinions, or attitudes
101. lemon-lime s__a *n.* a carbonated soft drink containing a sweetened syrup or flavoring, often used interchangeably with "pop" or "soda pop" in different regions of the world
102. vo__r apathy *n.* a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election
103. sh___w cast *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
104. obtain un_____us consent *adj.* (of two or more people) in complete agreement; (of an opinion, decision, or vote) agreed or supported by everyone in a group
105. a rid_____us amount of money *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
106. traditional me_____al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
107. re_____r a loss *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
108. a ra_____l flaw in the plan *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions

ANSWERS: 100. teeter, 101. soda, 102. voter, 103. shadow, 104. unanimous, 105. ridiculous, 106. medicinal, 107. recover, 108. radical

109. st____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
110. ant____ic allergy *n.* a substance or drug that kills or slows down the growth of bacteria
111. childhood mal____ion *n.* the condition of having an improper or inadequate diet, typically resulting in weakness, illness, and developmental problems; the state of being undernourished or lacking essential nutrients
112. di____e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
113. pa__c buying *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
114. sa____y after taxes *n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
115. su____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
116. g_m membership *n.* a place equipped for exercise and other physical training
117. collaborate with co____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
118. low cho____ol *n.* a type of fat that is found in the blood and cells of the body and that is important for many bodily functions but can also contribute to heart disease and stroke when levels are too high

ANSWERS: 109. struggle, 110. antibiotic, 111. malnutrition, 112. divide, 113. panic, 114. salary, 115. survive, 116. gym, 117. colleague, 118. cholesterol

119. na_____te the Pacific *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
120. careful not to sc_____h *v.* to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame
121. monthly pa_____ck *n.* a check issued to an employee as payment for work or services rendered; the amount of money received in this check
122. h__e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job
123. fr_____re test *n.* the breaking or cracking of a rigid material or object such as bone
124. dis_____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
125. el_____fy the audience *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
126. a handsome sa_____y *n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
127. coast st__p *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
128. 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

ANSWERS: 119. navigate, 120. scorch, 121. paycheck, 122. hire, 123. fracture, 124. distribute, 125. electrify, 126. salary, 127. strip, 128. democracy

129. many tr____ons of dollars *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
130. im____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
131. fun____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
132. me____al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
133. ready-made ph____es *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
134. a ge____c disorder *adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
135. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
136. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
137. a mem____ip fee *n.* the state of belonging to a group, a club, an organization, etc.
138. La____o coworkers *n.* a person of Latin American origin or descent, especially one living in the United States
139. the advice of the ph____an *n.* a medical doctor who practices medicine
140. h__e a guide *v.* to give somebody a job

ANSWERS: 129. trillion, 130. improve, 131. fundamental, 132. medicinal, 133. phrase, 134. genetic, 135. mass, 136. argue, 137. membership, 138. Latino, 139. physician, 140. hire

141. al__e in nature *adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance
142. st_____ng earthquake shocks *adj.* extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying
143. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
144. in___t daughter *n.* a baby or very young child
145. as___a symptoms *n.* a chronic respiratory disease characterized by wheezing, coughing, and difficulty breathing
146. an information pr_____er *n.* a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted
147. st_____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
148. product int_____ory sale *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
149. a corrupt pol_____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
150. ro_____ly check *adv.* on a regular or habitual basis; in a manner that is customary or expected
151. inspire co_____e *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

ANSWERS: 141. alike, 142. startling, 143. communal, 144. infant, 145. asthma, 146. provider, 147. struggle, 148. introductory, 149. politician, 150. routinely, 151. courage

152. ex_____ve editor at the publishing house *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
153. su_____e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
154. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
155. af____d to buy a new car *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
156. a desirable ou_____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
157. sh____w puppetry *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
158. rep_____an ideology *n.* a person who supports or advocates for a particular form of government, typically one that has an elected head of state rather than a monarch; a member or supporter of the Republican Party in the United States

ANSWERS: 152. executive, 153. survive, 154. recognize, 155. afford, 156. outcome, 157. shadow, 158. republican

159. a high per_____ge *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
160. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
161. cr____h into a ball *v.* to put your body close to the ground, especially as a way of avoiding being seen
162. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
163. ed_____ed speech *adj.* having received a high standard of education
164. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
165. cho_____ol levels *n.* a type of fat that is found in the blood and cells of the body and that is important for many bodily functions but can also contribute to heart disease and stroke when levels are too high
166. yearn for the de____t living *adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense
167. ex_____ve vice president *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

ANSWERS: 159. percentage, 160. platform, 161. crouch, 162. complicated, 163. educated, 164. distribute, 165. cholesterol, 166. decent, 167. executive

168. pr_____be in the preceding paragraph *v.* (of a doctor) to advise and order the use of particular medicine or treatment for someone, especially in writing; to issue commands or orders for something
169. in____t food *n.* a baby or very young child
170. public opinion p__ls *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
171. Rep_____an party *n.* a person who supports or advocates for a particular form of government, typically one that has an elected head of state rather than a monarch; a member or supporter of the Republican Party in the United States
172. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
173. a de____t education *adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense
174. ca_____te selection *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
175. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
176. la____t my misfortunes *v.* to express sadness, grief, or disappointment about something, often by complaining or mourning
177. a pre-election p__l *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election

ANSWERS: 168. prescribe, 169. infant, 170. poll, 171. republican, 172. absolutely, 173. decent, 174. candidate, 175. fundamental, 176. lament, 177. poll

178. by a un_____us vote *adj.* (of two or more people) in complete agreement; (of an opinion, decision, or vote) agreed or supported by everyone in a group
179. ov_____e bill *adj.* past the expected or scheduled time; not completed or paid on time; delayed, tardy, or postponed
180. met_____sm enzyme *n.* the set of chemical reactions in cells or organisms that are necessary for life-sustaining
181. a casting m__d *n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
182. la____t the situation *v.* to express sadness, grief, or disappointment about something, often by complaining or mourning
183. 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
184. in____e my house against fire *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
185. g__p water *v.* to swallow quickly and forcefully; to take in a large amount of air or liquid quickly and audibly because of surprise, fear, or excitement

ANSWERS: 178. unanimous, 179. overdue, 180. metabolism, 181. mold, 182. lament, 183. policy, 184. insure, 185. gulp

186. the Great Dep_____on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
187. in a co_____ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
188. ref_____te medicine *v.* to cool or preserve food or other items by using a refrigerator or other cold storage device; to keep something at a low temperature to prevent spoilage or degradation
189. bo__s appraisal *n.* an extra amount of money that is added to payment as a present or reward for good work
190. imm_____on control *n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
191. 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
192. fl__e accident *n.* a stroke of luck or chance, often resulting in a positive outcome or unexpected success; an accidental or unplanned occurrence

ANSWERS: 186. depression, 187. committed, 188. refrigerate, 189. bonus, 190. immigration, 191. zip, 192. fluke

193. tr_____rt facilities *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
194. mo_____ty due to cancer *n.* the quality or state of being subject to death
195. imm_____on application *n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
196. exa_____te the situation *v.* to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse
197. aff_____le solution *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
198. ma_____l the books into their proper places *n.* a military officer of high rank or a person in charge of organizing or leading a parade or public event; a law enforcement official or officer responsible for maintaining order and enforcing regulations; (verb) to organize, arrange, or gather together resources, information, or people in a deliberate and systematic manner
199. increase in the minimum w___e *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
200. gene va_____on *n.* the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said
201. mem_____ip in a stock exchange *n.* the state of belonging to a group, a club, an organization, etc.
202. as_____te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

ANSWERS: 193. transport, 194. mortality, 195. immigration, 196. exacerbate, 197. affordable, 198. marshal, 199. wage, 200. variation, 201. membership, 202. associate

203. car_____ng responsibilities *n.* the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly
204. a me_____l opinion *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
205. chemical re_____e *n.* a substance that remains after a process or reaction; a remnant of something that once existed
206. ant_____ic resistance *n.* a substance or drug that kills or slows down the growth of bacteria
207. 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
208. aff_____le housing *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
209. hold a pr_____t *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
210. st_____fy populations *v.* to arrange or divide into layers or strata based on characteristics such as social, economic, or cultural status
211. strong and co_____ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

ANSWERS: 203. caregiving, 204. medical, 205. residue, 206. antibiotic, 207. zip, 208. affordable, 209. protest, 210. stratify, 211. committed

212. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
213. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
214. ex_____ed parents *adj.* extremely tired
215. re_____e his thirst *v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe
216. str_____ard manner *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
217. improved student ou_____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
218. visit to the veterinary cl____c *n.* a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition
219. a bacterial in_____on *n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body
220. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
221. as_____te alcohol with gambling *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
222. risk of bone fr_____res *n.* the breaking or cracking of a rigid material or object such as bone
223. th_____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

ANSWERS: 212. vast, 213. emotional, 214. exhausted, 215. relieve, 216. straightforward, 217. outcome, 218. clinic, 219. infection, 220. electrify, 221. associate, 222. fracture, 223. threaten

224. la___h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
225. re_____r approval ratings *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
226. 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
227. electronic pa_____ck *n.* a check issued to an employee as payment for work or services rendered; the amount of money received in this check
228. st_____ng discovery *adj.* extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying
229. a c__e about the crime *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
230. accounting f__m *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

ANSWERS: 224. launch, 225. recover, 226. policy, 227. paycheck, 228. startling, 229. clue, 230. firm

231. temporary me_____l treatment *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
232. 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
233. hemoglobin met_____sm *n.* the set of chemical reactions in cells or organisms that are necessary for life-sustaining
234. young and old al__e *adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance
235. consult with a ph_____an *n.* a medical doctor who practices medicine
236. a rid_____us suggestion *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
237. wa_____ss at a restaurant *n.* a woman who serves food and drinks in a restaurant or cafe
238. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
239. make a str_____ard dash *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
240. und_____th the surface of the water *adv.* under or below something else
241. pa_____t in the hospital *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

ANSWERS: 231. medical, 232. democracy, 233. metabolism, 234. alike, 235. physician, 236. ridiculous, 237. waitress, 238. absolutely, 239. straightforward, 240. underneath, 241. patient

242. he is ob___sed with the fear *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
243. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
244. as___a attack *n.* a chronic respiratory disease characterized by wheezing, coughing, and difficulty breathing
245. antibiotic med_____on *n.* a drug or other form of medicine that treats, prevents, or alleviates the symptoms of the disease
246. es_____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
247. the ex_____ed food sources *adj.* extremely tired
248. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

ANSWERS: 242. obsess, 243. determinant, 244. asthma, 245. medication, 246. essential, 247. exhausted, 248. politician

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Babies heavily _____ on others for food.
v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
2. My application for _____ in the association was accepted.
n. the state of belonging to a group, a club, an organization, etc.
3. Change is also occurring in Turkey as a result of _____ reform.
adj. without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing
4. She went to the fully equipped _____ to work out every day.
n. a place equipped for exercise and other physical training
5. He left the party in _____ at its radical political stance.
n. a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
6. He had a firm _____ on the rope as he climbed the mountain.
n. the act of holding onto something firmly with your hands, or the ability to do so; (verb) to hold fast or firmly
7. The doctor advised the patient to eat a balanced diet to avoid _____.
n. the condition of having an improper or inadequate diet, typically resulting in weakness, illness, and developmental problems; the state of being undernourished or lacking essential nutrients
8. The medicine _____ his headache, and he felt much better.
v. to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe

ANSWERS: 1. rely, 2. membership, 3. chaotic, 4. gym, 5. protest, 6. grip, 7. malnutrition, 8. relieved

9. She _____ the loss of her beloved cat.

- v.* to express sadness, grief, or disappointment about something, often by complaining or mourning

10. 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

11. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.

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

12. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

- adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

13. The two paintings looked _____ as if the same artist had done them.

- adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance

14. 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.

15. High levels of _____ can increase the risk of heart disease.

- n.* a type of fat that is found in the blood and cells of the body and that is important for many bodily functions but can also contribute to heart disease and stroke when levels are too high

16. The event organizer appointed a professional _____ to manage the flow of traffic.

- n.* a military officer of high rank or a person in charge of organizing or leading a parade or public event; a law enforcement official or officer responsible for maintaining order and enforcing regulations; (verb) to organize, arrange, or gather together resources, information, or people in a deliberate and systematic manner

ANSWERS: 9. lamented, 10. transportation, 11. associate, 12. complicated, 13. alike,

14. politician, 15. cholesterol, 16. marshal

17. Many _____ lawmakers are advocating for stricter immigration policies.
- n.* a person who supports or advocates for a particular form of government, typically one that has an elected head of state rather than a monarch; a member or supporter of the Republican Party in the United States
18. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.
- v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
19. The defendant gave a _____ and accurate description of the accident.
- adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
20. He describes the story with _____ reality.
- adj.* extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying
21. Winning the lottery was just a _____ I didn't expect it to happen.
- n.* a stroke of luck or chance, often resulting in a positive outcome or unexpected success; an accidental or unplanned occurrence
22. It takes a lot of _____ to stand up for what you believe is right.
- n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
23. Society tends to _____ people into different economic classes.
- v.* to arrange or divide into layers or strata based on characteristics such as social, economic, or cultural status
24. His _____ continued to rise as his skills improved.
- n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

ANSWERS: 17. republican, 18. argue, 19. straightforward, 20. startling, 21. fluke;, 22. courage, 23. stratify, 24. wages

25. He had to _____ down his coffee before rushing to work.

- v.* to swallow quickly and forcefully; to take in a large amount of air or liquid quickly and audibly because of surprise, fear, or excitement

26. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.

- v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

27. This disease has a high _____.

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

28. The _____ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

- adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

29. The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused _____ in the financial markets.

- n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action

30. There is a lot of _____ in the colors of flowers in the garden.

- n.* the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said

31. Synergy has become such a _____ in the business world that it has lost its meaning.

- n.* a word or phrase that is fashionable or popular within a particular industry, field, or culture, often used to convey a sense of innovation or sophistication

ANSWERS: 25. gulp, 26. electrify, 27. mortality, 28. medicinal, 29. panic, 30. variation, 31. buzzword

32. The pharmacist not only prescribes the _____ but also guides its proper use.
- n.* a drug or other form of medicine that treats, prevents, or alleviates the symptoms of the disease
33. He _____ down behind the bushes to avoid being seen.
- v.* to put your body close to the ground, especially as a way of avoiding being seen
34. Floods have the potential to _____ any subsurface animals easily.
- v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
35. What are your annual _____ expectations?
- n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
36. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
37. Shakespeare's output of poetry was _____.
- adj.* extremely large or great
38. This company has invested heavily in Internet _____.
- n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
39. She visited the local _____ to seek treatment for her persistent headache.
- n.* a medical doctor who practices medicine
40. The election was a _____ success for the Whigs.
- adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special

ANSWERS: 32. medication, 33. crouched, 34. drown, 35. salary, 36. Communal, 37. enormous, 38. commerce, 39. physician, 40. remarkable

41. I received a bonus on top of my regular _____ this month.
- n.* a check issued to an employee as payment for work or services rendered; the amount of money received in this check
42. The _____ platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.
- n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
43. The police couldn't find a _____ to her whereabouts.
- n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
44. He could not _____ against temptation.
- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
45. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.
- v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
46. One light year is nearly 6 _____ miles.
- n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
47. The _____ community has had a significant impact on American culture.
- n.* a person of Latin American origin or descent, especially one living in the United States
48. The doctor advised him to _____ down for a check.
- v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

ANSWERS: 41. paycheck, 42. candidate's, 43. clue, 44. struggle, 45. survive, 46. trillion, 47. Latino, 48. strip

49. The government established by the coup was more _____ than before.

adj. relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions

50. The doctor carefully examined the _____ medical history.

n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

51. We need to _____ the leftovers to keep them from spoiling.

v. to cool or preserve food or other items by using a refrigerator or other cold storage device; to keep something at a low temperature to prevent spoilage or degradation

52. The sun _____ the desert, making it uninhabitable.

v. to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame

53. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

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

54. The _____ deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

55. _____ 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

ANSWERS: 49. radical, 50. patient's, 51. refrigerate, 52. scorched, 53. determinant, 54. firm, 55. Democracy

56. That bill reached a _____ agreement.

adj. (of two or more people) in complete agreement; (of an opinion, decision, or vote) agreed or supported by everyone in a group

57. X-ray inspection revealed many _____.

n. the breaking or cracking of a rigid material or object such as bone

58. There was a _____ of soap in the bottle that wouldn't come out.

n. a substance that remains after a process or reaction; a remnant of something that once existed

59. She holds a _____ on Tuesday mornings.

n. a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition

60. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

61. Excellent speech is a characteristic of an _____ man.

adj. having received a high standard of education

62. The tree cast a _____ over the picnic area, providing relief from the sun.

n. a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner

63. 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

ANSWERS: 56. unanimous, 57. fractures, 58. residue, 59. clinic, 60. vast, 61. educated, 62. shadow, 63. policy

64. The roof finally _____ after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.
v. to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
65. I will _____ my car before I go on a road trip.
v. to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
66. People select Internet _____ not only in terms of price but also in terms of transmission speed.
n. a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted
67. We bought a Spanish _____ book.
n. a group of words that mean something specific when used together
68. The election administration nullified the election results because of _____ fraud.
n. a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election
69. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.
n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
70. His _____ in stealing the painting matched his foolishness in getting caught.
n. boldness or daring, especially when it is foolhardy or reckless
71. 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
72. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?
v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

ANSWERS: 64. collapsed, 65. insure, 66. providers, 67. phrase, 68. voter, 69. outcome, 70. audacity, 71. committed, 72. divide

73. He has been prescribed an _____ to treat his infection.
n. a substance or drug that kills or slows down the growth of bacteria
74. 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
75. The committee abolished the controversial _____ system.
n. an extra amount of money that is added to payment as a present or reward for good work
76. Her library books were _____ so she had to pay a fine to check out more.
adj. past the expected or scheduled time; not completed or paid on time; delayed, tardy, or postponed
77. The children _____ together for warmth in the cold winter storm.
v. to crowd or press closely together; cuddle
78. The _____ runner fell to the ground and gasped.
adj. extremely tired
79. I'm craving a cold _____ to quench my thirst.
n. a carbonated soft drink containing a sweetened syrup or flavoring, often used interchangeably with "pop" or "soda pop" in different regions of the world
80. Mozart was an _____ prodigy.
n. a baby or very young child
81. Several _____ show a decline in the president's approval rating.
n. an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election

ANSWERS: 73. antibiotic, 74. routinely, 75. bonus, 76. overdue, 77. huddled, 78. exhausted, 79. soda, 80. infant, 81. polls

82. Better sleep leads to increased _____.

n. the set of chemical reactions in cells or organisms that are necessary for life-sustaining

83. Our knowledge helps _____ our clients successfully.

v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

84. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

85. He earned a _____ salary at his job.

adj. satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense

86. Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the _____ code.

adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes

87. We should always be prepared to _____ talented recruits.

v. to give somebody a job

88. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

89. The _____ truth was that he had been lying to her for months.

adj. unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at

90. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

ANSWERS: 82. metabolism, 83. navigate, 84. colleague, 85. decent, 86. genetic, 87. hire, 88. absolutely, 89. ugly, 90. fundamental

91. The penny fell _____ the piano.

adv. under or below something else

92. What is the _____ of the consumption tax in the United States?

n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

93. The _____ team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

94. The two plays have many _____ parallels.

adj. attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner

95. 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

96. The friendly _____ brought the food to the table and asked if they needed anything else.

n. a woman who serves food and drinks in a restaurant or cafe

97. _____ symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.

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

98. Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as _____ but was later proven correct.

adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at

ANSWERS: 91. underneath, 92. percentage, 93. medical, 94. striking, 95. zip, 96. waitress, 97. Depression, 98. ridiculous

99. He's utterly _____ with his promotion.

- v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

100. He cannot _____ a holiday.

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

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

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

102. His estate was _____ to his sons.

- v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

103. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.

- v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

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

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

105. As the _____ director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.

- n. a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

106. She devoted her life to _____ looking after her aging parents.

- n. the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly

ANSWERS: 99. obsessed, 100. afford, 101. recognize, 102. distributed, 103. launch, 104. possibility, 105. executive, 106. caregiving,

107. The drunk man tried to _____ along the narrow bridge, almost falling into the river.
- v.* to move or balance unsteadily, often in a way that suggests instability or danger; to waver or vacillate between two positions, opinions, or attitudes
108. The heat wave _____ the drought conditions.
- v.* to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse
109. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
- adj.* relating to people's feelings
110. The automaker has been providing _____ car financing options since last year.
- adj.* not expensive and able to pay
111. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.
- n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
112. The _____ policy in this country is stringent, making it difficult for many people to obtain a visa.
- n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
113. Canada _____ on the United States.
- v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
114. 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

ANSWERS: 107. teeter, 108. exacerbated, 109. emotional, 110. affordable, 111. platform, 112. immigration, 113. bounds, 114. introductory

115. A _____ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

- n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

116. Hospitals must meet various standards to prevent nosocomial _____.

- n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body

117. Mushrooms and _____ are fungi.

- n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

118. She is still _____ from a shot to her shoulder.

- v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

119. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

- n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

120. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.

- v.* to make or become better

121. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.

- adj.* indispensable; fundamental

122. Federal bankruptcy laws _____ the reorganization process.

- v.* (of a doctor) to advise and order the use of particular medicine or treatment for someone, especially in writing; to issue commands or orders for something

ANSWERS: 115. panel, 116. infections, 117. mold, 118. recovering, 119. mass, 120. improve, 121. essential, 122. prescribed

123. He always had to carry an inhaler due to his severe _____.

- n.* a chronic respiratory disease characterized by wheezing, coughing, and difficulty breathing

124. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.

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

ANSWERS: 123. asthma, 124. threatening