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Session 1: Word List

- brave** *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
synonym: courageous, valiant, heroic
(1) **brave** soldier, (2) **brave** decision
The **brave** firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.
- nation** *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
synonym: country, state, sovereign entity
(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**
The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- sight** *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
synonym: vision, spectacle, view
(1) an unexpected **sight**, (2) dull **sight**
Many famous **sights** are within walking distance.
- geyser** *n.* a natural hot spring that periodically ejects a column of boiling water and steam into the air; a device that produces a similar effect for decorative or practical

purposes

synonym : hot spring, fumarole

(1) erupting **geyser**, (2) Yellowstone **geyser**

The **geyser's** hot water generates electricity for nearby towns and cities.

adventure

n. a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous

synonym : experience, happening, incident

(1) gastronomic **adventures**, (2) **adventure** film

He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his **adventures**.

introduction

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

synonym : initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**

The **introduction** to the new class was informative and engaging.

foresight

n. the ability to anticipate or predict future events or outcomes; the act of planning for the future with wisdom and prudence; an intuitive sense of what is to come

synonym : prescience, prediction, clairvoyance

(1) strategic **foresight**, (2) **foresight** planning

With **foresight**, she made a plan to avoid any potential obstacles.

ecosystem

n. all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

(1) marine **ecosystem**, (2) change the **ecosystem**

Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the **ecosystem**.

appreciate

v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

synonym : acknowledge, admire, enjoy

(1) **appreciate** her feedback, (2) **appreciate** the value

We would **appreciate** an early reply.

prescient

adj. having or showing knowledge of events or situations before they occur; foreknowing or prophetic

synonym : prophetic, foresighted, intuitive

(1) **prescient** dream, (2) **prescient** vision

The **prescient** investor predicted the market crash and sold his stocks before it happened.

poet

n. a person who writes poetry

synonym : versifier, rhymer, writer

(1) a court **poet**, (2) a **poet** of sorts

She is a talented **poet** who has been recognized for her work.

naturalism

n. a philosophical belief that everything, including human behavior and cognition, can be explained solely by natural causes and laws

(1) **naturalism** in literature, (2) philosophical **naturalism**

The scientific method is often seen as an embodiment of **naturalism**, as it seeks to understand the natural world through observation and experimentation.

visionary

adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

synonym : prophetic, far-sighted, imaginative

(1) **visionary** business, (2) **visionary** ideas

The **visionary** leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

conservation

n. the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

synonym: preservation, protection, saving

(1) soil **conservation**, (2) the **conservation** law of physics

The forest was recently designated a **conservation** area.

hike

n. a long walk or journey, especially for pleasure or exercise; an increase in cost

synonym: walk, trek, excursion

(1) go on a **hike**, (2) a **hike** in prices

The family decided to **hike** in the mountains to enjoy the beautiful scenery.

presidency

n. the office or term of the President of a country or organization

synonym: leadership, administration, governance

(1) **presidency** term, (2) **presidency** duties

Her candidacy for the **presidency** has been met with both support and criticism.

grid

n. a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

synonym: gridiron, battery grid, power system

(1) a **grid** design, (2) a wire **grid**

Grid pattern roads often appear in urban areas.

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance
The club **president** does not have absolute power.

tweet

n. a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
synonym: peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

(1) a chick's **tweet**, (2) his latest **tweets**

We could hear the **tweet** of baby birds.

acre

n. a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)

(1) half- **acre** parcel, (2) an **acre** of forest

The farm covers over 200 **acres** of land.

wildlife

n. animals, birds, insects, etc. that grow independently of people and live in natural conditions

(1) **wildlife** sanctuary, (2) bird and other **wildlife**

The conservation area has an abundance of **wildlife**.

refuge

n. the state of being safe or protected from danger, trouble, or difficulty, or a place providing shelter or protection from them

synonym: shelter, fortress, hide-out

(1) **refuge** camp, (2) a harbor of **refuge**

Some of the emigres sought **refuge** in this country.

administer

v. to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

synonym: allocate, distribute, dispense

(1) **administer** justice, (2) **administer** the funds

After the accident, three governmental bodies **administer** the company.

doubt

n. a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

synonym: distrust, suspect, mistrust

(1) dispel **doubts**, (2) no **doubt** about the news
Doubt is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

businessperson

n. a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive

synonym: entrepreneur, executive

(1) a young **businessperson**, (2) **businessperson** network
He was a successful **businessperson** and had much experience in the field.

interior

n. the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building

synonym: inner, inside, internal

(1) **interior** decoration, (2) plenty of **interior** space
The painter focused on the moody **interiors** of abandoned buildings in his work.

preserve

v. to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

synonym: conserve, care for, maintain

(1) **preserve** my strength, (2) **preserve** a country's heritage
They worked hard to **preserve** the nature of their native lands.

superintendent

n. a person who is responsible for the management or supervision of a particular organization, institution, or system, especially in an educational or public service context

synonym: administrator, manager, overseer

(1) **superintendent** office, (2) school **superintendent**
The building's **superintendent** was quick to fix the plumbing issue.

hatch

v. to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage

synonym : incubate, breed, produce

(1) **hatch** a plan, (2) **hatch** a baby chick

The eggs began to **hatch**, and the small chicks emerged.

eventually

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

synonym : finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

enlist

v. to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization

synonym : join, sign up, appoint

(1) **enlist** in a cause, (2) **enlist** for a soldier

He decided to **enlist** in the military after graduating from high school.

amazing

adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

synonym : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

precise

adj. sharply exact or accurate or delimited

synonym : accurate, exact, distinct

(1) **precise** analyses, (2) estimate **precise** costs

The content is **precise** and informative for me.

marine

adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there

synonym : sea-dwelling, maritime, aquatic

(1) **marine** insurance, (2) variety of **marine** life

Seals and whales are **marine** animals beloved by the people.

sanctuary

n. a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse

synonym: refuge, safety, haven

(1) an animal **sanctuary**, (2) violate a **sanctuary**

The church offered **sanctuary** to refugees fleeing from war-torn countries.

spill

v. to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident

synonym: slop, drop, scatter

(1) **spill** a bit of wine, (2) **spill** my heart

He was determined to **spill** everything.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym: idea, notion, vision

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

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

underwater

adv. below or under the surface of the water

synonym: submerged, undersea, submarine

(1) hold my breath **underwater**, (2) seals sleep **underwater**

He is good at swimming **underwater**.

environment

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

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

tireless

adj. characterized by a persistent and energetic effort; not easily fatigued or discouraged

synonym: indefatigable, persistent, unflagging

(1) **tireless** dedication, (2) **tireless** charity work

The politician was known for his **tireless** efforts to improve healthcare.

advocate

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

synonym: proponent, exponent, promoter

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

advocates

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

pollution

n. the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change

synonym: corrosion, deterioration, corruption

(1) environmental **pollution**, (2) high levels of air **pollution**

The **pollution** is endangering the local plants and animals.

coral

n. a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry

(1) **coral** island, (2) **coral** ornament

She is wearing a **coral** necklace.

bleach

v. to remove color or stains, whiten, or sterilize using a solution of chemicals or other substances, such as bleach

synonym: whiten, lighten, blanch

(1) **bleach** stains, (2) **bleach** hair

I need to **bleach** this shirt to remove the stains.

overfish

v. to deplete fish populations beyond sustainable levels through excessive or unregulated fishing practices, leading to environmental and economic consequences

synonym: deplete, exhaust, drain

(1) **overfish** the coral reefs, (2) **overfish** certain areas

Scientists warn that many species could face extinction if we continue to **overfish** our oceans.

influential

adj. having significant impact or power on someone or something

synonym : potent, significant, meaningful

(1) an **influential** newspaper, (2) an **influential** politician
Early childhood experiences are very **influential** for people.

bush

n. a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root

synonym : copse, scrub, brushwood

(1) trees and **bushes**, (2) a **bush** of hair

I am going to trim this **bush** off.

fantastic

adj. extremely good; excellent

synonym : incredible, unbelievable, marvelous

(1) a **fantastic** dress, (2) absolutely **fantastic** event

The new amusement park ride was **fantastic**, with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.

conservative

adj. holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

synonym : traditional, reactionary, cautious

(1) a **conservative** society, (2) **conservative** about production

He always makes a **conservative** estimation when predicting future sales.

liberal

adj. willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded

synonym : broad, free, large-minded

(1) a **liberal** arts college, (2) under **liberal** conditions

He is **liberal** in his thoughts.

propose

v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

synonym : suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes

I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

- roll**
- v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
synonym: spin, swirl, wheel
(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks
He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.
- progression**
- n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
synonym: advancement, development, evolution
(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease
The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.
- mourn**
- v. to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
synonym: grieve, lament, weep
(1) **mourn** with deep grief, (2) **mourn** death
We **mourned** the loss of our dear friend at the memorial service.
- engage**
- v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
synonym: confront, employ, amuse
(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,
(2) **engage** a new employee
Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.
- league**
- n. an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters
synonym: association, organization, alliance
(1) **league** championship, (2) a baseball **league**
He was recruited to play in the professional **league**.

glimpse

n. a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly

synonym : glance, peek, sighting

(1) a momentary **glimpse**, (2) passing **glimpse**

Our team caught a **glimpse** of the world-class technique in this game.

garage

n. a building or part of a building used to store a vehicle or vehicles, typically a car

synonym : carport, shed, barn

(1) electrical **garage** door, (2) **garage** repair

He parked his car in the private **garage**.

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.

deserve

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

synonym : merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize

The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

awareness

n. the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important

synonym : understanding, cognition, knowledge

(1) **awareness** of my ignorance, (2) raise public **awareness**

There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental **awareness**.

syndrome

n. a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder

synonym : disorder, condition, complication

(1) **syndrome** of dementia, (2) acute **syndrome**

The patient was diagnosed with a rare genetic **syndrome**.

fishery

n. an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish

synonym : fishing, piscary, angling

(1) **fishery** management, (2) commercial **fishery**

The majority of the people on the island are **fishery** folk.

spawn

v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop

synonym : beget, breed, generate

(1) **spawn** in spring, (2) **spawn** a new concept

The salmon swims upstream to **spawn** in the place they were released.

playbook

n. a set of strategies or tactics used in a particular situation, often in a business or political context; a guidebook or manual that outlines a specific plan of action

synonym : strategy, game plan, manual

(1) **playbook** strategy, (2) political **playbook**

The coach's **playbook** helped the team win the championship.

infrastructure

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

synonym : foundation, framework

(1) IT **infrastructure**, (2) **infrastructure** cost

Aging societies tend to require huge costs for **infrastructure** maintenance.

automobile

n. a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods

synonym : car, vehicle, motorcar

(1) driverless **automobile**, (2) **automobile** insurance

The **automobile** industry is a major contributor to air pollution in cities.

highway

n. a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities

synonym : road, expressway, freeway

(1) **highway** system, (2) an interstate **highway**

I'm going to take the **highway** to get to my destination faster.

association

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

synonym : affiliation, collaboration, society

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

His membership in the **association** provided him with numerous benefits.

invention

n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

synonym : creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

insightful

adj. having or showing a deep understanding and perception of a situation or subject

synonym : perceptive, astute, perspicacious

(1) acutely **insightful**, (2) **insightful** analysis

His **insightful** comments added a new perspective to the discussion.

philanthropy

n. the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money

synonym : altruism, benevolence, generosity

(1) **philanthropy** organization, (2) private **philanthropy**

Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on **philanthropy**.

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.

patch

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

synonym: mend, repair, fix

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

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

redwood

n. a type of large evergreen tree native to North America that can grow up to 360 feet in height and have a reddish-colored bark and durable wood used for construction and furniture-making

synonym: sequoia

(1) **redwood** forest, (2) old-growth **redwood**

The tall **redwood** trees towered over us as we hiked through the forest.

mount

v. to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone

synonym: climb, increase, get on

(1) **mount** a hill, (2) **mount** a counterattack

They **mounted** pictures on the paper in preparation for the birthday card.

Don

n. a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge

(1) the **don** of the university, (2) **Don** Giovanni
He could never go against what **Don** Carlos said.

woods

n. a dense area of trees and shrubs, typically forming a forest or woodland; a place of natural beauty and tranquility; a golf club used for hitting long shots, also known as a driver

synonym: forest, woodland, timberland

(1) mystery **woods**, (2) deep **woods**

The **woods** behind the house are a great place to hike and explore.

critic

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

synonym: pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

engagement

n. a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

synonym: betrothal, promise, commitment

(1) a prior **engagement**, (2) break off an **engagement**

They selected a gorgeous diamond **engagement** ring.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym: administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

regulation

n. an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule

synonym: constraint, restriction, rule

(1) a company **regulation**, (2) **regulation** by the

government

The **regulation** approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.

headline

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

synonym: title, caption

(1) **headline** article, (2) banner **headline**

The engagement of the two golf players became **headline** news.

monument

n. a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event

synonym: memorial, marker, statue

(1) humanity's **monument**, (2) **monument** honoring

The stone **monument** was built to commemorate the war heroes.

digital

adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

synonym: numerical, computerized, cyber

(1) a **digital** watch, (2) **digital** electronic signature

Sensors convert physical phenomena into **digital** signals.

trident

n. a three-pronged spear or fork-like instrument, often used as a symbol of power or authority in classical mythology

synonym: three-pronged spear, pitchfork, fork

(1) **trident** weapon, (2) **trident** seafood

The police officer carried a **trident-shaped** baton for crowd control.

drone

n. a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control

synonym: hum, whirr, idler

(1) **drone** flight, (2) the speaker's **drone**

He heard a **drone** of sirens roar from the neighboring town.

submarine

n. a type of underwater vehicle or vessel that can operate beneath the surface of the water; (adjective) beneath the surface of the sea

synonym: sub, underwater vessel, sea-craft

(1) a **submarine** volcano, (2) **submarine** cable

The military **submarine** disappeared without a trace.

sleek

adj. smooth and glossy in appearance or texture; streamlined and elegant in design or form; characterized by a polished or refined style or appearance

synonym: glossy, streamlined, polished

(1) **sleek** car, (2) **sleek** black dress

The car's **sleek**, aerodynamic design made it look fast even when standing still.

backpack

n. a bag or pack that is worn on the back, often used for carrying books, equipment, or supplies

synonym: knapsack, rucksack, pack

(1) **backpacker's** hostel, (2) **backpacking** trip

I packed my **backpack** with all the necessary camping gear for our trip.

diver

n. a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey

synonym: plunger, frogman, loon

(1) professional **diver**, (2) deep-sea **diver**

The search and rescue team sent a team of **divers** to search for the missing plane wreckage.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

exploration

n. the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place

synonym: inquiry, quest, investigation

(1) future of space **exploration**, (2) an Arctic **exploration**

He called for a careful **exploration** of the consequences.

frontline

adj. in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy

synonym: battlefield, cutting edge

(1) **frontline** health workers, (2) at the **frontline** of the war

Within days, the new aircraft was in **frontline** service.

inspiring

adj. stimulating and motivating you to want to do something

synonym: exhilarating, encouraging, heartening

(1) **inspiring** stories, (2) awe- **inspiring** sight

An **inspiring** teacher might spark students' motivation to succeed.

inspiration

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

synonym: motivation, drive, encouragement

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

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

spur

n. a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something

synonym: encouragement, motivation, stimulus

(1) **spur** of the moment, (2) **spur** a momentum of economic growth

The threat of losing his job was the **spur** he needed to work

harder.

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

synonym: implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

reef

n. a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

(1) barrier **reef**, (2) coral **reefs**

The vessel ran aground on a **reef**.

scuba

n. an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving

synonym: diving gear, underwater equipment

(1) **scuba** diving class, (2) **scuba** gear

The **scuba** divers explored the coral reefs to learn more about the ecosystem.

transect

v. to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study

synonym: intersect, divide, bisect

(1) **transect** a forest, (2) **transect** the area

The new highway will **transect** the wilderness, potentially disrupting local wildlife.

biodiversity

n. the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment

(1) **biodiversity** conservation, (2) loss of **biodiversity**

The country was instrumental in promoting the **biodiversity** treaty.

grandkid

n. the grandchildren of a particular person

synonym: grandchildren, grandnieces, grandnephews

(1) spend the weekend with their **grandkids**, (2) cute **grandkids**

She was so proud of her **grandkids**, who were all doing well in school and had great personalities.

astonished

adj. extremely surprised and upset

synonym: amazed, dumbfounded, flabbergasted

(1) **astonished** at the success, (2) cast **astonished** eyes

She was **astonished** by the news and could hardly believe it.

beneath

adv. in or to a lower place than someone or something

synonym: down, under, low

(1) the ground **beneath** my feet, (2) **beneath** contempt

A great stretch of the lake lay **beneath** them.

opportune

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

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

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

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

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.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. a p__t of sorts | <i>n.</i> a person who writes poetry |
| 2. pre_____cy term | <i>n.</i> the office or term of the President of a country or organization |
| 3. pr_____nt emeritus | <i>n.</i> the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc. |
| 4. under li_____l conditions | <i>adj.</i> willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded |
| 5. raise public aw_____ss | <i>n.</i> the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important |
| 6. dispel do__ts | <i>n.</i> a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is |
| 7. reg_____on by the government | <i>n.</i> an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule |
| 8. variety of ma___e life | <i>adj.</i> relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there |
| 9. barrier r__f | <i>n.</i> a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface |
| 10. aut_____le insurance | <i>n.</i> a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods |

ANSWERS: 1. poet, 2. presidency, 3. president, 4. liberal, 5. awareness, 6. doubt, 7. regulation, 8. marine, 9. reef, 10. automobile

11. a momentary gl_____e *n.* a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly
12. pr_____ve my strength *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
13. the speaker's dr__e *n.* a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control
14. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
15. acute sy_____me *n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder
16. sy_____me of dementia *n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder
17. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
18. pl_____ok strategy *n.* a set of strategies or tactics used in a particular situation, often in a business or political context; a guidebook or manual that outlines a specific plan of action
19. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 11. glimpse, 12. preserve, 13. drone, 14. tradition, 15. syndrome, 16. syndrome, 17. environment, 18. playbook, 19. invention

20. an interstate hi____y *n.* a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities
21. co____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
22. marine ec____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
23. bird and other wi____fe *n.* animals, birds, insects, etc. that grow independently of people and live in natural conditions
24. con____ive about production *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
25. public education ad____tes *n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
26. seals sleep und____er *adv.* below or under the surface of the water
27. a young bus____son *n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive
28. co__l ornament *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
29. a li____l arts college *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
30. vi____ry ideas *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
31. sl__k black dress *adj.* smooth and glossy in appearance or texture; streamlined and elegant in design or form; characterized by a polished or refined style or appearance

ANSWERS: 20. highway, 21. communal, 22. ecosystem, 23. wildlife, 24. conservative, 25. advocate, 26. underwater, 27. businessperson, 28. coral, 29. liberal, 30. visionary, 31. sleek

32. banner he_____ne *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
33. pro_____on of disease *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
34. high levels of air po_____on *n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
35. pro_____on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
36. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
37. ha__h a baby chick *v.* to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage
38. ov_____sh the coral reefs *v.* to deplete fish populations beyond sustainable levels through excessive or unregulated fishing practices, leading to environmental and economic consequences
39. deep wo__s *n.* a dense area of trees and shrubs, typically forming a forest or woodland; a place of natural beauty and tranquility; a golf club used for hitting long shots, also known as a driver
40. severe cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
41. gastronomic ad_____res *n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous

ANSWERS: 32. headline, 33. progression, 34. pollution, 35. progression, 36. amazing, 37. hatch, 38. overfish, 39. woods, 40. critic, 41. adventure

42. 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
43. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
44. philosophical nat_____sm *n.* a philosophical belief that everything, including human behavior and cognition, can be explained solely by natural causes and laws
45. vi_____ry business *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
46. aw_____ss of my ignorance *n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
47. 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
48. plenty of in_____or space *n.* the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
49. coral r__fs *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
50. erupting ge____r *n.* a natural hot spring that periodically ejects a column of boiling water and steam into the air; a device that produces a similar effect for decorative or practical purposes

ANSWERS: 42. recognize, 43. eventually, 44. naturalism, 45. visionary, 46. awareness, 47. executive, 48. interior, 49. reef, 50. geyser

51. get ins_____on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
52. bl___h hair *v.* to remove color or stains, whiten, or sterilize using a solution of chemicals or other substances, such as bleach
53. professional di__r *n.* a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey
54. br__e decision *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
55. no do__t about the news *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
56. ti_____ss charity work *adj.* characterized by a persistent and energetic effort; not easily fatigued or discouraged
57. an inf_____al newspaper *adj.* having significant impact or power on someone or something
58. strategic fo_____ht *n.* the ability to anticipate or predict future events or outcomes; the act of planning for the future with wisdom and prudence; an intuitive sense of what is to come
59. cast ast_____ed eyes *adj.* extremely surprised and upset
60. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

ANSWERS: 51. inspiration, 52. bleach, 53. diver, 54. brave, 55. doubt, 56. tireless, 57. influential, 58. foresight, 59. astonished, 60. eventually

61. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
62. sc__a diving class *n.* an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
63. ti_____ss dedication *adj.* characterized by a persistent and energetic effort; not easily fatigued or discouraged
64. private phi_____opy *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
65. future of space exp_____on *n.* the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place
66. sup_____ent office *n.* a person who is responsible for the management or supervision of a particular organization, institution, or system, especially in an educational or public service context
67. ha__h a plan *v.* to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage
68. an inf_____al politician *adj.* having significant impact or power on someone or something
69. humanity's mo_____nt *n.* a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event

ANSWERS: 61. introduction, 62. scuba, 63. tireless, 64. philanthropy, 65. exploration, 66. superintendent, 67. hatch, 68. influential, 69. monument

70. pr_____nt vision *adj.* having or showing knowledge of events or situations before they occur; foreknowing or prophetic
71. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
72. phi_____opy organization *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
73. Yellowstone ge___r *n.* a natural hot spring that periodically ejects a column of boiling water and steam into the air; a device that produces a similar effect for decorative or practical purposes
74. pr_____nt dream *adj.* having or showing knowledge of events or situations before they occur; foreknowing or prophetic
75. a court p__t *n.* a person who writes poetry
76. school sup_____ent *n.* a person who is responsible for the management or supervision of a particular organization, institution, or system, especially in an educational or public service context
77. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
78. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
79. change the ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

ANSWERS: 70. prescient, 71. nation, 72. philanthropy, 73. geyser, 74. prescient, 75. poet, 76. superintendent, 77. concept, 78. engage, 79. ecosystem

80. ba____cking trip *n.* a bag or pack that is worn on the back, often used for carrying books, equipment, or supplies
81. mo__t a hill *v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
82. pre_____cy duties *n.* the office or term of the President of a country or organization
83. a harbor of re___e *n.* the state of being safe or protected from danger, trouble, or difficulty, or a place providing shelter or protection from them
84. app_____te her feedback *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
85. the ground be____h my feet *adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something
86. ad_____re film *n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
87. soil con_____ion *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
88. an animal sa_____ry *n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
89. pr_____e analyses *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
90. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

ANSWERS: 80. backpack, 81. mount, 82. presidency, 83. refuge, 84. appreciate, 85. beneath, 86. adventure, 87. conservation, 88. sanctuary, 89. precise, 90. engage

91. an a__e of forest *n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)
92. sp__l a bit of wine *v.* to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident
93. nat_____sm in literature *n.* a philosophical belief that everything, including human behavior and cognition, can be explained solely by natural causes and laws
94. br__e soldier *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
95. mo_____nt honoring *n.* a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event
96. pr_____e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
97. tr_____ct a forest *v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study
98. spend the weekend with their gr_____ids *n.* the grandchildren of a particular person
99. a chick's tw__t *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
100. pr_____ve a country's heritage *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

ANSWERS: 91. acre, 92. spill, 93. naturalism, 94. brave, 95. monument, 96. propose, 97. transect, 98. grandkid, 99. tweet, 100. preserve

101. environmental po_____on *n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
102. go on a h__e *n.* a long walk or journey, especially for pleasure or exercise; an increase in cost
103. word ass_____ons *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
104. ov_____sh certain areas *v.* to deplete fish populations beyond sustainable levels through excessive or unregulated fishing practices, leading to environmental and economic consequences
105. an unexpected si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
106. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
107. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
108. le___e championship *n.* an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters

ANSWERS: 101. pollution, 102. hike, 103. association, 104. overfish, 105. sight, 106. introduction, 107. nation, 108. league

109. electrical ga___e door *n.* a building or part of a building used to store a vehicle or vehicles, typically a car
110. adm_____er justice *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
111. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
112. he_____ne article *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
113. re___e camp *n.* the state of being safe or protected from danger, trouble, or difficulty, or a place providing shelter or protection from them
114. 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
115. an Arctic exp_____on *n.* the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place
116. re_____d forest *n.* a type of large evergreen tree native to North America that can grow up to 360 feet in height and have a reddish-colored bark and durable wood used for construction and furniture-making
117. bus_____son network *n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive

ANSWERS: 109. garage, 110. administer, 111. communal, 112. headline, 113. refuge, 114. executive, 115. exploration, 116. redwood, 117. businessperson

118. in____or decoration *n.* the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
119. a b__h of hair *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
120. the d_n of the university *n.* a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge
121. in_____ng stories *adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
122. fi_____y management *n.* an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish
123. sp__l my heart *v.* to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident
124. D_n Giovanni *n.* a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge
125. estimate pr_____e costs *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
126. ma_____e insurance *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
127. software pa__h *n.* a small piece of material or fabric used to repair or reinforce a tear, hole, or damaged area; a small plot of land used for cultivation or a specific purpose
128. tr_____t weapon *n.* a three-pronged spear or fork-like instrument, often used as a symbol of power or authority in classical mythology

ANSWERS: 118. interior, 119. bush, 120. Don, 121. inspiring, 122. fishery, 123. spill, 124. Don, 125. precise, 126. marine, 127. patch, 128. trident

129. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
130. ga___e repair *n.* a building or part of a building used to store a vehicle or vehicles, typically a car
131. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
132. pr_____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
133. mo__t a counterattack *v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
134. su_____ne cable *n.* a type of underwater vehicle or vessel that can operate beneath the surface of the water; (adjective) beneath the surface of the sea
135. adm_____er the funds *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
136. at the fr_____ne of the war *adj.* in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy
137. absolutely fa_____ic event *adj.* extremely good; excellent
138. a h__e in prices *n.* a long walk or journey, especially for pleasure or exercise; an increase in cost

ANSWERS: 129. inspire, 130. garage, 131. inspire, 132. propose, 133. mount, 134. submarine, 135. administer, 136. frontline, 137. fantastic, 138. hike

139. commercial fi____y *n.* an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish
140. bl____h stains *v.* to remove color or stains, whiten, or sterilize using a solution of chemicals or other substances, such as bleach
141. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
142. tr____t seafood *n.* a three-pronged spear or fork-like instrument, often used as a symbol of power or authority in classical mythology
143. bio____ity conservation *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
144. a wire g__d *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
145. a con____ive society *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
146. co____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
147. passing gl____e *n.* a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly
148. source of ins____on *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

ANSWERS: 139. fishery, 140. bleach, 141. amazing, 142. trident, 143. biodiversity, 144. grid, 145. conservative, 146. concept, 147. glimpse, 148. inspiration

149. wi_____fe sanctuary *n.* animals, birds, insects, etc. that grow independently of people and live in natural conditions
150. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
151. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
152. hi_____y system *n.* a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities
153. mystery wo__s *n.* a dense area of trees and shrubs, typically forming a forest or woodland; a place of natural beauty and tranquility; a golf club used for hitting long shots, also known as a driver
154. driverless aut_____le *n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods
155. trees and b__hes *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
156. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
157. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

ANSWERS: 149. wildlife, 150. environment, 151. president, 152. highway, 153. woods, 154. automobile, 155. bush, 156. roll, 157. involve

158. be_____h contempt *adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something
159. break off an eng_____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
160. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
161. ba_____cker's hostel *n.* a bag or pack that is worn on the back, often used for carrying books, equipment, or supplies
162. old-growth re_____d *n.* a type of large evergreen tree native to North America that can grow up to 360 feet in height and have a reddish-colored bark and durable wood used for construction and furniture-making
163. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
164. ins_____ul analysis *adj.* having or showing a deep understanding and perception of a situation or subject
165. dull si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
166. fr_____ne health workers *adj.* in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy
167. tr_____ct the area *v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study

ANSWERS: 158. beneath, 159. engagement, 160. invention, 161. backpack, 162. redwood, 163. participate, 164. insightful, 165. sight, 166. frontline, 167. transect

168. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
169. 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
170. his latest tw__ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
171. sl__k car *adj.* smooth and glossy in appearance or texture; streamlined and elegant in design or form; characterized by a polished or refined style or appearance
172. de_____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
173. violate a sa_____ry *n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
174. de_____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
175. a company reg_____on *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
176. mo__n death *v.* to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
177. a g__d design *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

ANSWERS: 168. opportune, 169. recognize, 170. tweet, 171. sleek, 172. deserve, 173. sanctuary, 174. deserve, 175. regulation, 176. mourn, 177. grid

178. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
179. acutely ins_____ul *adj.* having or showing a deep understanding and perception of a situation or subject
180. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
181. sc__a gear *n.* an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
182. sp__n a new concept *v.* to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
183. the con_____ion law of physics *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
184. sp__n in spring *v.* to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
185. a scholarship ass_____on *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
186. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
187. half-a__e parcel *n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)

ANSWERS: 178. participate, 179. insightful, 180. tradition, 181. scuba, 182. spawn, 183. conservation, 184. spawn, 185. association, 186. opportune, 187. acre

188. inf_____ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
189. en___t in a cause *v.* to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
190. a su_____ne volcano *n.* a type of underwater vehicle or vessel that can operate beneath the surface of the water; (adjective) beneath the surface of the sea
191. s__r a momentum of economic growth *n.* a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something
192. deep-sea di__r *n.* a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey
193. a baseball le___e *n.* an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters
194. fo_____ht planning *n.* the ability to anticipate or predict future events or outcomes; the act of planning for the future with wisdom and prudence; an intuitive sense of what is to come
195. pa__h of grass *n.* a small piece of material or fabric used to repair or reinforce a tear, hole, or damaged area; a small plot of land used for cultivation or a specific purpose

ANSWERS: 188. infrastructure, 189. enlist, 190. submarine, 191. spur, 192. diver, 193. league, 194. foresight, 195. patch

196. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
197. an ad_____te of disarmament *n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
198. en____t for a soldier *v.* to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
199. awe-in_____ng sight *adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
200. art cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
201. di_____l electronic signature *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
202. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
203. s__r of the moment *n.* a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something
204. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
205. r__l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
206. hold my breath und_____er *adv.* below or under the surface of the water

ANSWERS: 196. government, 197. advocate, 198. enlist, 199. inspiring, 200. critic, 201. digital, 202. involve, 203. spur, 204. government, 205. roll, 206. underwater

207. a fa_____ic dress *adj.* extremely good; excellent
208. ast_____ed at the success *adj.* extremely surprised and upset
209. mo__n with deep grief *v.* to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
210. app_____te the value *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
211. cute gr_____ids *n.* the grandchildren of a particular person
212. a prior eng_____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
213. IT inf_____ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
214. loss of bio_____ity *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
215. a di_____l watch *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
216. co__l island *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry

ANSWERS: 207. fantastic, 208. astonished, 209. mourn, 210. appreciate, 211. grandkid, 212. engagement, 213. infrastructure, 214. biodiversity, 215. digital, 216. coral

217. dr__e flight

n. a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control

218. political pl_____ok

n. a set of strategies or tactics used in a particular situation, often in a business or political context; a guidebook or manual that outlines a specific plan of action

ANSWERS: 217. drone, 218. playbook

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The building's _____ was quick to fix the plumbing issue.
n. a person who is responsible for the management or supervision of a particular organization, institution, or system, especially in an educational or public service context
2. He was a successful _____ and had much experience in the field.
n. a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive
3. There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental _____.
n. the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
4. Seals and whales are _____ animals beloved by the people.
adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
5. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
6. He decided to _____ in the military after graduating from high school.
v. to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
7. The search and rescue team sent a team of _____ to search for the missing plane wreckage.
n. a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey

ANSWERS: 1. superintendent, 2. businessperson, 3. awareness, 4. marine, 5. tradition, 6. enlist, 7. divers

8. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

9. The coach's _____ helped the team win the championship.

n. a set of strategies or tactics used in a particular situation, often in a business or political context; a guidebook or manual that outlines a specific plan of action

10. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

11. _____ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

n. a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

12. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

13. I'm going to take the _____ to get to my destination faster.

n. a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities

14. I packed my _____ with all the necessary camping gear for our trip.

n. a bag or pack that is worn on the back, often used for carrying books, equipment, or supplies

15. The salmon swims upstream to _____ in the place they were released.

v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop

ANSWERS: 8. opportune, 9. playbook, 10. inspired, 11. Doubt, 12. critics, 13. highway, 14. backpack, 15. spawn

16. The stone _____ was built to commemorate the war heroes.
n. a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event
17. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
18. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
19. The threat of losing his job was the _____ he needed to work harder.
n. a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something
20. They _____ pictures on the paper in preparation for the birthday card.
v. to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
21. The _____ hot water generates electricity for nearby towns and cities.
n. a natural hot spring that periodically ejects a column of boiling water and steam into the air; a device that produces a similar effect for decorative or practical purposes
22. The eggs began to _____ and the small chicks emerged.
v. to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage
23. Some of the emigres sought _____ in this country.
n. the state of being safe or protected from danger, trouble, or difficulty, or a place providing shelter or protection from them

ANSWERS: 16. monument, 17. government, 18. amazing, 19. spur, 20. mounted, 21. geyser's, 22. hatch, 23. refuge

24. The _____ industry is a major contributor to air pollution in cities.
- n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods
25. The police officer carried a _____ baton for crowd control.
- n.* a three-pronged spear or fork-like instrument, often used as a symbol of power or authority in classical mythology
26. The _____ approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.
- n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
27. The patient was diagnosed with a rare genetic _____.
- n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder
28. The new amusement park ride was _____ with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.
- adj.* extremely good; excellent
29. He always makes a _____ estimation when predicting future sales.
- adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
30. 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
31. He was determined to _____ everything.
- v.* to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident

ANSWERS: 24. automobile, 25. trident-shaped, 26. regulation, 27. syndrome, 28. fantastic, 29. conservative, 30. recognize, 31. spill

32. The conservation area has an abundance of _____.
- n.* animals, birds, insects, etc. that grow independently of people and live in natural conditions
33. They worked hard to _____ the nature of their native lands.
- v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
34. We would _____ an early reply.
- v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
35. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
36. The family decided to _____ in the mountains to enjoy the beautiful scenery.
- n.* a long walk or journey, especially for pleasure or exercise; an increase in cost
37. The _____ divers explored the coral reefs to learn more about the ecosystem.
- n.* an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
38. Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on _____.
- n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
39. The new highway will _____ the wilderness, potentially disrupting local wildlife.
- v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study

ANSWERS: 32. wildlife, 33. preserve, 34. appreciate, 35. nation, 36. hike, 37. scuba, 38. philanthropy, 39. transect

40. She is wearing a _____ necklace.

n. a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry

41. _____ pattern roads often appear in urban areas.

n. a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

42. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

43. He is _____ in his thoughts.

adj. willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded

44. He parked his car in the private _____.

n. a building or part of a building used to store a vehicle or vehicles, typically a car

45. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

46. The car's _____ aerodynamic design made it look fast even when standing still.

adj. smooth and glossy in appearance or texture; streamlined and elegant in design or form; characterized by a polished or refined style or appearance

47. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

ANSWERS: 40. coral, 41. Grid, 42. Communal, 43. liberal, 44. garage, 45. president, 46. sleek, 47. involves

48. The _____ leader had a clear plan for the company's future.
adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
49. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
50. The forest was recently designated a _____ area.
n. the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
51. The company has made great strides in its _____ toward sustainability.
n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
52. He called for a careful _____ of the consequences.
n. the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place
53. The _____ behind the house are a great place to hike and explore.
n. a dense area of trees and shrubs, typically forming a forest or woodland; a place of natural beauty and tranquility; a golf club used for hitting long shots, also known as a driver
54. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.
n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
55. We could hear the _____ of baby birds.
n. a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

ANSWERS: 48. visionary, 49. engaged, 50. conservation, 51. progression, 52. exploration, 53. woods, 54. infrastructure, 55. tweet

56. I need to sew a _____ onto my jeans that ripped.

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

57. He could never go against what ____ Carlos said.

- n.* a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge

58. Our team caught a _____ of the world-class technique in this game.

- n.* a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly

59. Necessity is the mother of _____.

- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

60. We _____ the loss of our dear friend at the memorial service.

- v.* to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone

61. They selected a gorgeous diamond _____ ring.

- n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

62. An _____ teacher might spark students' motivation to succeed.

- adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something

63. A great stretch of the lake lay _____ them.

- adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something

ANSWERS: 56. patch, 57. Don, 58. glimpse, 59. invention, 60. mourned, 61. engagement, 62. inspiring, 63. beneath

64. His membership in the _____ provided him with numerous benefits.
n. a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
65. The _____ investor predicted the market crash and sold his stocks before it happened.
adj. having or showing knowledge of events or situations before they occur; foreknowing or prophetic
66. The military _____ disappeared without a trace.
n. a type of underwater vehicle or vessel that can operate beneath the surface of the water; (adjective) beneath the surface of the sea
67. _____ of abolishing the death penalty often argue that the alternative heaviest sentence should be life in prison.
n. a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
68. Within days, the new aircraft was in _____ service.
adj. in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy
69. He is good at swimming _____.
adv. below or under the surface of the water
70. The _____ is endangering the local plants and animals.
n. the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
71. His _____ comments added a new perspective to the discussion.
adj. having or showing a deep understanding and perception of a situation or subject

ANSWERS: 64. association, 65. prescient, 66. submarine, 67. Advocates, 68. frontline, 69. underwater, 70. pollution, 71. insightful

72. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
- n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
73. Scientists warn that many species could face extinction if we continue to _____ our oceans.
- v.* to deplete fish populations beyond sustainable levels through excessive or unregulated fishing practices, leading to environmental and economic consequences
74. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.
- adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
75. She was so proud of her _____ who were all doing well in school and had great personalities.
- n.* the grandchildren of a particular person
76. She was _____ by the news and could hardly believe it.
- adj.* extremely surprised and upset
77. He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his _____.
- n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
78. Early childhood experiences are very _____ for people.
- adj.* having significant impact or power on someone or something
79. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.
- n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract

ANSWERS: 72. environment, 73. overfish, 74. digital, 75. grandkids, 76. astonished, 77. adventures, 78. influential, 79. concept

80. He heard a _____ of sirens roar from the neighboring town.
n. a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control
81. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something
82. The painter focused on the moody _____ of abandoned buildings in his work.
n. the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
83. The majority of the people on the island are _____ folk.
n. an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish
84. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.
v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
85. The vessel ran aground on a _____.
n. a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
86. With _____ she made a plan to avoid any potential obstacles.
n. the ability to anticipate or predict future events or outcomes; the act of planning for the future with wisdom and prudence; an intuitive sense of what is to come
87. Her candidacy for the _____ has been met with both support and criticism.
n. the office or term of the President of a country or organization

ANSWERS: 80. drone, 81. participated, 82. interiors, 83. fishery, 84. deserved, 85. reef, 86. foresight, 87. presidency

88. He was exhausted and _____ into bed as soon as he got home.
v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
89. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
90. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the _____.
n. all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
91. He was recruited to play in the professional _____.
n. an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters
92. I am going to trim this _____ off.
n. a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
93. The engagement of the two golf players became _____ news.
n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
94. The content is _____ and informative for me.
adj. sharply exact or accurate or delimited
95. She is a talented _____ who has been recognized for her work.
n. a person who writes poetry

ANSWERS: 88. rolled, 89. eventually, 90. ecosystem, 91. league, 92. bush, 93. headline, 94. precise, 95. poet

96. The politician was known for his _____ efforts to improve healthcare.
adj. characterized by a persistent and energetic effort; not easily fatigued or discouraged
97. The church offered _____ to refugees fleeing from war-torn countries.
n. a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
98. I need to _____ this shirt to remove the stains.
v. to remove color or stains, whiten, or sterilize using a solution of chemicals or other substances, such as bleach
99. The scientific method is often seen as an embodiment of _____ as it seeks to understand the natural world through observation and experimentation.
n. a philosophical belief that everything, including human behavior and cognition, can be explained solely by natural causes and laws
100. 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
101. After the accident, three governmental bodies _____ the company.
v. to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
102. The country was instrumental in promoting the _____ treaty.
n. the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
103. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.
n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

ANSWERS: 96. tireless, 97. sanctuary, 98. bleach, 99. naturalism, 100. executive, 101. administer, 102. biodiversity, 103. introduction

104. Many famous _____ are within walking distance.

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

105. The farm covers over 200 _____ of land.

n. a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)

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

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

107. The tall _____ trees towered over us as we hiked through the forest.

n. a type of large evergreen tree native to North America that can grow up to 360 feet in height and have a reddish-colored bark and durable wood used for construction and furniture-making

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

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

109. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

ANSWERS: 104. sights, 105. acres, 106. brave, 107. redwood, 108. inspiration, 109. propose