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Session 1: Word List

discourse

n. any form of communication in speech or writing

synonym: discussion, dialogue, communication

(1) hold **discourse** with him, (2) a **discourse** about art

Sweet **discourse** makes short days and nights.

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.

scream

v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

synonym: cry, shout, yell

(1) **scream** a profanity, (2) **scream** at him to be quiet

She kept **screaming** for an ambulance.

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.

alienated

adj. feeling isolated, estranged, or disconnected from others, often due to a sense of difference or lack of belonging

synonym : isolated, estranged, disconnected

(1) **alienated** from my parents, (2) become **alienated**

The new employee felt **alienated** from the rest of the team, as they didn't try to include him in their conversations.

yell

v. to shout in a sudden and loud way

synonym : shout, scream, cry

(1) **yell** for help, (2) **yell** as loud as we can

When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and **yelled** at me.

scared

adj. afraid or frightened

synonym : frightened, fearful, dreading

(1) **scared** all the time, (2) **scared** dog

I'm **scared** of insects.

argument

n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

synonym : debate, discourse, discussion

(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment

The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

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.

contempt

- n.* the feeling that a person or thing is beneath consideration, worthless, or deserving of scorn
- synonym* : scorn, disdain, disrespect

- (1) display **contempt**,
- (2) below **contempt**

The defendant's **contempt** for the court and its authority was evident in his behavior.

replace

- v.* to take the place of something
- synonym* : substitute, supersede, displace

- (1) **replace** one word with another,
 - (2) **replace** a phone
- Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

conversation

- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
- synonym* : chat, discussion, dialogue

- (1) **conversation** in English,
 - (2) a friendly **conversation**
- Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

disagree

- v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
- synonym* : discord, oppose, dissent

- (1) **disagree** about a particular issue,
- (2) **disagree** with a plan

I **disagree** for reasons already stated above.

structure

- n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
- synonym* : construction, architecture, establishment

- (1) the **structure** of a machine,
- (2) **structure** and function of the brain

The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and

straightforward.

mutual

adj. common to or shared by two or more parties

synonym : shared, common, joint

(1) share of a **mutual** fund, (2) **mutual** efforts

They cooperated for their **mutual** benefit.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym : guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

genuine

adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

synonym : actual, honest, unpretending

(1) a **genuine** article, (2) show **genuine** regret

Is this painting **genuine** or forged?

desire

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

synonym : ambition, appetite, greed

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

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

persuade

v. to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion

synonym : convince, influence, sway

(1) attempt to **persuade**, (2) **persuade** enough people

She tried to **persuade** her brother to join her on the trip, but he was too busy with work.

uncover

v. to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden

synonym : disclose, reveal, unveil

(1) **uncover** a potential problem, (2) **uncover** the truth
He continued his investigation and soon **uncovered** another crime.

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.

tantalize

v. to tease or torment by presenting something desirable but out of reach or unattainable; to tempt or lure with the promise of something desirable

synonym : tease, tempt, torment

(1) **tantalize** taste buds, (2) **tantalize** with promises
The smell of freshly baked cookies in the kitchen **tantalized** me.

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.

convince

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

synonym : persuade, win over, convert

(1) **convince** her to go with us, (2) **convince** an opponent
I am considering what I should do to **convince** him.

unsurprising

adj. not surprising, and what was expected; able to be predicted

synonym : predictable, expected, foreseeable

(1) **unsurprising** success, (2) **unsurprising** result

The **unsurprising** outcome of the election was a victory for the incumbent candidate.

decide

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

synonym : choose, determine, settle

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

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

gymnastics

n. a sport that involves feats of strength, agility, and balance, often performed on apparatus such as a balance beam or a set of parallel bars; any physical exercise that involves movement and agility

synonym : acrobatics, tumbling, contortion

(1) **gymnastics** competition, (2) **gymnastics** routine

Gymnastics classes are fun for kids to stay active and learn new skills.

debate

n. a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

synonym : argument, discussion, dispute

(1) **debate** topic, (2) **debate** competition

The **debate** over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

initiate

v. to begin or start something; to teach the basics or fundamentals of something to somebody; to formally admit someone into a group or organization

synonym : commence, start, begin

(1) **initiate** a project, (2) **initiate** a discussion
The committee will **initiate** an investigation into the company's financial records.

premise

n. a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn

synonym: assumption, postulate, supposition

(1) the major **premise**, (2) make a **premise**

The book's **premise** is that the main character must save the world from an impending disaster.

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.

disobedience

n. the act of refusing or failing to follow orders or rules

synonym: rebelliousness, insubordination, defiance

(1) **disobedience** to authority, (2) civil **disobedience**

The **disobedience** of the soldiers resulted in a court martial.

cavern

n. a large, natural underground space

synonym: grotto, cave, cavity

(1) a yawning **cavern**, (2) **cavern** tour

The explorer discovered a large **cavern** deep underground.

auditorium

n. a room or building used for concerts, plays, or other public performances

synonym: hall, theater, amphitheater

(1) open-air **auditorium**, (2) **auditorium** annex

The **auditorium** seating was filled with people waiting for the concert to begin.

grammar

n. the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words

synonym : syntax, elements

(1) **grammar** checker, (2) Latin **grammar**

Mastering **grammar** takes a lot of time for those learning a foreign language.

bundle

n. a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things

synonym : package, parcel, bale

(1) **bundle** of papers, (2) travel **bundle**

I tied up the **bundle** of newspapers and took them to the recycling center.

cable

n. a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

synonym : wire, cord, rope

(1) **cable** television, (2) coaxial **cable**

This system uses submarine **cables** to exchange information between continents.

substance

n. the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug

synonym : essence, core, material

(1) an explosive **substance**, (2) **substance** abuse problem

The **substance** of the argument was well-presented.

humiliate

v. to cause someone to feel ashamed, embarrassed, or degraded, especially in public or through revealing personal information

synonym : shame, embarrass, degrade

(1) **humiliate** him publicly, (2) **humiliate** the heckler in the audience

The boss **humiliated** her employee by belittling her in front of

her colleagues.

ashamed

adj. feeling guilt, embarrassment, or remorse about something because of something you have done

synonym : regretful, repentant, mortified

(1) feel **ashamed** of him, (2) cast **ashamed** eyes

You don't have to be **ashamed**.

sophisticated

adj. having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion

synonym : refined, cultured, worldly

(1) **sophisticated** look, (2) a **sophisticated** lifestyle

Marketing strategies are growing more **sophisticated**.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym : farthestmost, outermost, fierce

(1) **extreme** sports, (2) **extreme** weather events

Solar gravity creates **extreme** pressures and temperatures.

craft

n. an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands

synonym : art, skill, workmanship

(1) **craft** arts of Japan, (2) **craft** manufacture

His hometown was where he first acquired the **craft** of wood carving.

separate

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

synonym : disunite, isolate, ramify

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

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

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym : character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual
The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

cousin

n. the child of your aunt or uncle

synonym: relative

(1) cross- **cousin** marriage, (2) **cousin's** family

I used to play with my younger male **cousins** when I was a little girl.

reorganize

v. to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization

synonym: rearrange, reconstruct, reshuffle

(1) **reorganize** a department, (2) **reorganize** his debts

The new CEO was appointed to **reorganize** their business.

proposal

n. a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one

synonym: offer, suggestion, proposition

(1) an innovative **proposal**, (2) details of his **proposal**

Our skeleton outline of the **proposal** met with much opposition.

conflicting

adj. incompatible or inconsistent with something else; in disagreement

synonym: incompatible, inconsistent, contradictory

(1) a lot of **conflicting** information, (2) make **conflicting** allegations

The witness's testimony was **conflicting** with the evidence found at the scene.

rebuttal

n. a response or argument that opposes or counters a previous statement or claim; a refutation or denial of the validity of an argument or claim

synonym: refutation, counterargument, disproof

(1) **rebuttal** to the argument, (2) **rebuttal** of the claims

The defense attorney offered a strong **rebuttal** to the prosecution's case.

claim

v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

synonym: assert, declare, maintain

(1) **claim** responsibility, (2) false **claim**

He wants to **claim** ownership of the abandoned property.

pontificate

v. to speak or act in a pretentiously authoritative or dogmatic manner; to preach or expound at length on a subject, especially in a pompous or condescending way

synonym: lecture, preach, sermonize

(1) **pontificate** on a topic, (2) **pontificate** about religion

He loved to **pontificate** about politics but often failed to take action.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym: root, source, ancestor

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

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

magical

adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers

synonym: enchanting, occult, supernatural

(1) **magical** place, (2) **magical** powers

When I was a child, my mother often cast **magical** spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

polar

adj. relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites

synonym: opposing, contrary, contrasting

(1) **polar** bears, (2) **polar** regions

Polar animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.

palatable

adj. having a pleasant or acceptable taste; pleasing or agreeable to the mind or senses; easily tolerated or accepted

synonym: delicious, tasty, flavorful

(1) **palatable** food, (2) **palatable** solution

I'm usually a picky eater, but the seafood at this restaurant was surprisingly **palatable**.

opposition

n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

synonym: resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

identify

v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

synonym: significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

inviting

adj. having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate

synonym: attractive, tempting, alluring

(1) **inviting** scent, (2) **inviting** atmosphere

The **inviting** aroma of freshly baked bread drew me into the bakery.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

antidote

n. a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease

synonym: remedy, treatment, restorative

(1) the **antidote** to the poison, (2) the **antidote** for aging
Knowledge is the **antidote** to fear.

alternative

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

synonym: choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**
Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

conflict

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

synonym: clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

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.

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**.

controversial

adj. causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute

synonym: contentious, disputed, questionable

(1) **controversial** book, (2) **controversial** policy

The issue of the death penalty is highly **controversial**.

keyboard

n. device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work

synonym: console, piano

(1) numeric **keyboard**, (2) **keyboard** instruments

Please strike the "enter" on the **keyboard**.

converse

v. to talk informally

synonym: discourse, discuss, exchange

(1) **converse** with an acquaintance, (2) ask a **converse** question

She enjoyed the opportunity to **converse** with a person who spoke her language.

expand

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

synonym: extend, grow, boost

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

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

pause

v. to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing

synonym: halt, break, intermit

(1) **pause** a moment, (2) **pause** for a reaction

The man **paused** before opening the door.

parade

n. a public procession, especially one celebrating a special day or event

synonym: procession, march, rally

(1) a military **parade**, (2) **parade** route

The annual Fourth of July **parade** is popular in the town square.

keynote

n. the central theme or message of a speech, presentation, or event; the first note or tone in a musical scale used as a reference point for the performance of a piece of

music

synonym: theme, focus, centerpiece

(1) **keynote** presentation, (2) **keynote** topic

The **keynote** speaker at the conference inspired us with their innovative ideas.

sequence

n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order

synonym: arrangement, succession, series

(1) the **sequence** of the seasons, (2) the DNA **sequence**

We do move forward with those tasks in **sequence** next week.

polite

adj. showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior

synonym: courteous, civil, respectful

(1) **polite** manners, (2) **polite** tone

It's important to be **polite** even when you disagree with someone.

discuss

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

synonym: talk about, converse, debate

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

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

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

centerpiece

n. the most important or attractive part of something; something placed at the center of something, as on a table

synonym : highlight, focal point, heart

(1) the **centerpiece** of the meal, (2) **centerpiece** proposal
His writing activities are the **centerpiece** of his life.

devote

v. to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose

synonym : commit, dedicate, apply

(1) **devote** all of my energies, (2) **devote** my own life
He **devoted** himself to studying the history of ancient civilizations.

innovative

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

synonym : creative, ingenious, inventive

(1) use of **innovative** technology, (2) stylistically **innovative** works
The Prime Minister stressed the need to create **innovative** industries.

topic

n. a subject that is being discussed or written about

synonym : subject, theme, issue

(1) a serious **topic**, (2) the **topic** of the book
The **topic** of the discussion was the current state of the economy.

outlaw

v. to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime

synonym : ban, prohibit, (noun) bandit

(1) **outlaw** racial discrimination, (2) **outlaw** cloning of human cells
Some communities began to **outlaw** alcohol consumption.

gamble

v. to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes

synonym : bet, venture, wager

(1) **gamble** \$100 on the race, (2) **gamble** away my fortune
Will you **gamble** on the result of the fight?

irrelevant

adj. not connected with or related to something and therefore not important

synonym : unrelated, immaterial, extrinsic

(1) an **irrelevant** thought, (2) do something **irrelevant**
They removed **irrelevant** content from the slides.

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym : approach, procedure, scenario

(1) military **strategy**, (2) develop a **strategy**
Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

naive

adj. showing unaffected simplicity and lack of experience, wisdom, or judgment

synonym : innocent, unsophisticated, gullible

(1) **naive** belief, (2) **naive** mistake
The con artist's lies quickly took in the **naive** young man.

dismiss

v. to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

synonym : decline, disband, dissolve

(1) **dismiss** a person from the office, (2) **dismiss** a matter with a laugh
The committee has decided to **dismiss** the president from the post.

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.

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.

headquarter

n. the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed

synonym: base, center, command

(1) administrative **headquarter**, (2) an emergency

headquarter

The company decided to move its **headquarters** to New York City.

complexity

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

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

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

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

submit

v. to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration

synonym: hand in, present, propose

(1) agree to **submit** the bill, (2) **submit** an application

Please **submit** the assignment to me.

anonymous

adj. having no known name, identity, or known source

synonym: nameless, unidentified, unnamed

(1) **anonymous** letter, (2) **anonymous** house

She received several **anonymous** calls.

illustration

n. a picture or diagram in a book, magazine, or newspaper that is used to explain or decorate the text; the act or

process of explaining something

synonym: picture, diagram, explanation

(1) educational **illustration**, (2) **illustration** artist

The **illustration** in the book helped me understand the concept better.

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.

unemployed

adj. not having a job, although able to work

synonym: idle, inactive, jobless

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

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

wicked

adj. morally bad or evil

synonym: evil, sinful, nefarious

(1) **wicked** thoughts, (2) **wicked** grin

The **wicked** witch cast a spell on the kingdom.

sticky

adj. made of or covered with an adhesive substance; hot or warm and humid

synonym: adhesive, gluey, clingy

(1) **sticky** weather, (2) **sticky** situation

A peculiar **sticky** material coated the foliage.

studied

adj. deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned

synonym: thoughtful, deliberate, calculated

(1) **studied** analysis, (2) well- **studied** decision

His speech was carefully crafted and delivered with **studied** confidence.

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.

capture

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

synonym : catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

aggregate

n. a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items

synonym : total, sum, whole

(1) data **aggregate**, (2) an **aggregate** of people

The **aggregate** amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.

identical

adj. being the exact same one

synonym : duplicate, exact, analogous

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

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

template

n. a pre-designed file or document used as a starting point for a particular application so that the format does not have to be created from scratch

synonym : pattern, model, blueprint

(1) **template** file, (2) **template** design

The **template** format provided a useful guide for creating the budget.

refined

adj. made pure by having impurities or unwanted elements removed by processing

synonym : cultured, purified, tasteful

(1) adopt a **refined** attitude, (2) a lot of **refined** sugar

She was highly **refined** in her choice of apparel.

process

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

synonym : procedure, method, system

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

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

cabinet

n. a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister

synonym : cupboard, ministry, authority

(1) member of the **cabinet**, (2) the **cabinet** above the sink

The prime minister decided to reshuffle his **cabinet** to regain support.

minister

n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

synonym : bishop, official, ambassador

(1) **Minister** for Education, (2) deputy prime **minister**

The **minister** occasionally preaches at this church.

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym : accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets

enough exercise and a healthy diet.

originate

v. to come into existence in a particular place or situation;
to start something in a specific place

synonym: begin, arise, create

(1) **originate** from the country, (2) **originate** a political movement

The flight **originates** in Vancouver.

adviser

n. a person who gives advice about a particular subject

synonym: consultant, guide, expert

(1) a medical **adviser**, (2) chief **adviser**

After retiring, he continued to be an **adviser** to politicians.

entirely

adv. completely

synonym: completely, fully, totally

(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame

Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

folk

n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

synonym: community, family, person

(1) **folk** art, (2) the **folk** songs of a particular district

Some seaweed was used as **folk** medicine in ancient times.

assistant

n. someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job

synonym: aide, helper, associate

(1) an unwilling **assistant**, (2) **assistant** professor

An executive **assistant** director administers each branch.

representative

n. someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

synonym: spokesperson, agent, delegate

(1) an official **representative**, (2) sales **representative**

The media **representatives** had special passes.

segment

n. a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole

synonym: section, part, division

(1) **segment** analysis, (2) market **segment**

The report divided the data into **segments** based on age, gender, and income level.

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.

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.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym: alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power

My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

humility

n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self

synonym: humbleness, modesty, unpretentiousness

(1) develop an attitude of **humility**, (2) lack of **humility**

We were filled with **humility** at the sight of the Queen.

uncertain

adj. not being sure of something; not being able to choose
synonym: doubtful, skeptical, pending

(1) numerous **uncertain** factors, (2) take an **uncertain** attitude

She was **uncertain** about her friend's intentions.

attach

v. to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
synonym: fix, fasten, bind

(1) **attach** firmly, (2) **attach** a file to an e-mail

He does not **attach** importance to these rumors.

extension

n. a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line

synonym: addition, augment, supplement

(1) time **extension**, (2) telephone **extension**

They are building an **extension** to the house to add more bedrooms.

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.

expansion

n. the process of becoming larger or more extensive, or the result of this process

synonym: growth, enlargement, development

(1) industrial **expansion**, (2) **expansion** project

The company is undergoing an **expansion**, opening new locations in several states.

welfare

n. the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group

synonym : well-being, benefit, health

(1) child **welfare**, (2) a **welfare** state

She struggled for years to survive without **welfare**.

compulsory

adj. required or mandatory, often due to legal or institutional regulations or expectations; obligatory

synonym : mandatory, required, obligatory

(1) **compulsory** health insurance, (2) **compulsory** military service

Education is **compulsory** for every child in most countries.

flip

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

synonym : throw, jump

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

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

cognitive

adj. of or relating to mental processes of understanding

synonym : perceivable, mind, mental

(1) improve **cognitive** function, (2) research on **cognitive** psychology

His **cognitive** faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.

suspicion

n. the act of doubting something, especially something wrong

synonym : doubt, misgiving, skepticism

(1) **suspicion** of fraud, (2) cast **suspicion**

There was an almost certain **suspicion** that the company was involved in illegal activities.

espouse

v. to adopt or support a particular belief, theory, or cause; to take up or support; to marry

synonym : adopt, support, embrace

(1) **espouse** a cause, (2) **espouse** an idea

She **espoused** the philosophy of non-violence.

evaporate

v. to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually

synonym: vaporize, disappear, vanish

(1) **evaporate** the water, (2) **evaporate** almost overnight
The sun will **evaporate** the mist.

embrace

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

synonym: grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**
The woods **embrace** the house.

decision-maker

n. a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization

(1) policy **decision-maker**, (2) act as a **decision-maker**
A wealth of information does not always have a positive impact on **decision-makers**.

neuroscience

n. the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

(1) the branch of **neuroscience**, (2) a theoretical concept in **neuroscience**

Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral **neuroscience**.

intellect

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

synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness

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

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

evaluate

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

synonym : assess, estimate, consider

(1) **evaluate** the grant proposal, (2) **evaluate** a situation
The meeting aims to **evaluate** possible choices.

broad

adj. very wide; general

synonym : wide, expansive, comprehensive

(1) attract **broad** attention, (2) a **broad** mind
He accumulated wealth across a **broad** spectrum of assets.

defensive

adj. used or intended to protect someone or something against attack or aggression

synonym : protective, watchful, opposing

(1) assume the **defensive**, (2) **defensive** weapons
Boxing fans often criticize his **defensive** stance.

confront

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

synonym : engage, encounter, contend

(1) **confront** a global warming, (2) **confront** the issue
He finally decided to **confront** problems directly.

attribute

v. to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;

synonym : ascribe, blame, (noun) feature

(1) **attribute** the change to their marriage, (2) **attribute** directly to sales
He **attributes** the disappointing results to the economic downturn.

virtue

n. high moral standards in behavior or attitudes

synonym : integrity, probity, goodness

(1) **virtue** of frugality, (2) acquire a **virtue**
She had many good **virtues** and few faults.

moderator

n. a person or thing that moderates or regulates something, such as a discussion or forum; a device or mechanism that controls or regulates the speed, temperature, or other variables of a process or operation

synonym: facilitator, mediator, arbitrator

(1) **moderator** role, (2) forum **moderator**

The **moderator** of the panel discussion kept the conversation on track and orderly.

anchor

n. a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability

synonym: mainstay, ballast, backbone

(1) **anchor** bolt, (2) **anchor** weight

The ship dropped **anchor** in the bay.

elective

adj. of or using in elections; not compulsory

synonym: electoral

(1) **elective** course, (2) **elective** official

They support the funding of **elective** abortions by the government.

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.

humble

adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

synonym: modest, unpretentious, abject

(1) a **humble** cottage, (2) **humble** opinion

The nobler, the more **humble**.

fantasy

n. a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen

synonym : fiction, illusion, fabrication

(1) **fantasy** novel, (2) confuse **fantasy** with reality

Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a **fantasy**.

precedent

n. a previous event or action that serves as an example or rule to authorize or justify similar events or actions in the future

synonym : example, model, pattern

(1) break with **precedent**, (2) a bad **precedent**

The court used previous **precedents** to make its decision.

beloved

adj. loved very much

synonym : adored, cherished, dear

(1) **beloved** author, (2) **beloved** by many people

I am here to save my **beloved**.

impanel

v. (also "empanel") to select and swear in a group of people to serve on a jury or other official group or committee

synonym : select, choose, nominate

(1) **impanel** a hearing board, (2) **impanel** a committee

The judge will **impanel** a jury for the trial next week.

statistics

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

congressional

adj. of or relating to Congress, especially to the Congress of the United States

synonym : parliamentary, senatorial, legislative

(1) **congressional** approval, (2) suspend a **congressional** meeting

There was a **congressional** probe into the scandal.

committee

n. a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization

synonym : panel, board, council

(1) **committee** meeting, (2) **committee** member

The ad hoc **committee** met to discuss the proposal.

communicate

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym : convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,

(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

curmudgeon

n. a person, often elderly, who is irritable, ill-tempered, and difficult to please or get along with; a crank or complainer

synonym : grouch, sourpuss, grump

(1) crotchety **curmudgeon**, (2) old **curmudgeon**

I'm trying to avoid becoming a **curmudgeon** like my grandfather did as he aged.

classic

adj. judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type

synonym : definitive, traditional, typical

(1) a **classic** experiment, (2) Chinese **classic** literature

He displayed the **classic** symptoms of depression.

bold

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

synonym : brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

broadcast

v. to send out a program or some information on radio or television

synonym : air, announce, advertise

(1) **broadcast** a concert, (2) **broadcast** a radio ad

Most of the programs are **broadcast** in this area.

outset

n. the beginning of something

synonym : beginning, start, initiation

(1) month's **outset**, (2) the **outset** of the crisis

At the **outset** of the project, we encountered several obstacles.

disciplinary

adj. of or relating to the punishment of people who break the rules; of or relating to a specific field of academic study

synonym : corrective, punitive, instructive

(1) **disciplinary** action, (2) take **disciplinary** measures

The school's **disciplinary** committee met to discuss the student's behavior.

senator

n. a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

synonym : legislator, politician, representative

(1) junior **senator**, (2) **senator** term

The hawkish **senator** gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.

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.

drama

n. a play in a theatre, television, or radio, or performance on a stage

synonym : acting, play, theater

(1) secular **drama**, (2) upcoming crime **drama**
She had an audition for **drama** school.

ordinary

adj. not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

synonym : mundane, prosaic, average

(1) an **ordinary** school, (2) **ordinary** annual revenue

The **ordinary** session of the Diet opened.

invite

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

synonym : ask, request, summon

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

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

suppose

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

synonym : guess, assume, presume

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

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

goosebump

n. a small bump that appears on the skin due to cold, fear, or excitement; a physiological response that causes the skin to contract and produce small bumps

synonym : horripilation, gooseflesh, pilomotor reflex

(1) **goosebump** sensation, (2) **goosebump** moment

The cold wind gave her **goosebumps** on her arms and legs.

mist

n. a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water

synonym : fog, murk, haze

(1) **mist** in the morning, (2) fine **mist**

The sun has risen, and the **mist** has faded.

magic

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

synonym : fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

empower

v. to give someone the power or authority to do something

synonym: authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

simultaneously

adv. at the same time

synonym: concurrently, coincidentally, together

(1) **simultaneously** affected, (2) take several inputs

simultaneously

Two students answered the teacher's question

simultaneously.

commit

v. to do something illegal or wrong

synonym: engage, carry out, execute

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

The military has **committed** an abuse of human rights.

attitude

n. the way you think and feel about someone or something

synonym: mindset, perspective, philosophy

(1) **attitude** toward mistakes, (2) **attitude** control

She had the **attitude** that work was fun.

council

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

synonym: board, committee, assembly

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

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

principle

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

synonym: rule, creed, code

(1) **principle** of treatment, (2) **principle** in business

Efficiency isn't an essential **principle** here; fairness is.

Session 2: Spelling

1. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
2. ill_____ion artist *n.* a picture or diagram in a book, magazine, or newspaper that is used to explain or decorate the text; the act or process of explaining something
3. a b__d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
4. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
5. go_____mp moment *n.* a small bump that appears on the skin due to cold, fear, or excitement; a physiological response that causes the skin to contract and produce small bumps
6. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
7. an explosive su_____ce *n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
8. a con_____ive society *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
9. gym_____cs routine *n.* a sport that involves feats of strength, agility, and balance, often performed on apparatus such as a balance beam or a set of parallel bars; any physical exercise that involves movement and agility

ANSWERS: 1. psychology, 2. illustration, 3. bold, 4. decide, 5. goosebump, 6. transform, 7. substance, 8. conservative, 9. gymnastics

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|---------------------------------------|---|
| 10. details of his pr_____al | <i>n.</i> a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one |
| 11. chief ad_____r | <i>n.</i> a person who gives advice about a particular subject |
| 12. human in_____ct | <i>n.</i> the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level |
| 13. psy_____gy of crowd | <i>n.</i> the scientific study of mind and behavior |
| 14. res_____le for a customer service | <i>adj.</i> answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management |
| 15. se_____r term | <i>n.</i> a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate |
| 16. telephone ex_____on | <i>n.</i> a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line |
| 17. res_____le action | <i>adj.</i> answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management |
| 18. st____y situation | <i>adj.</i> made of or covered with an adhesive substance; hot or warm and humid |
| 19. st_____d analysis | <i>adj.</i> deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned |
| 20. uns_____ing success | <i>adj.</i> not surprising, and what was expected; able to be predicted |

ANSWERS: 10. proposal, 11. adviser, 12. intellect, 13. psychology, 14. responsible, 15. senator, 16. extension, 17. responsible, 18. sticky, 19. studied, 20. unsurprising

21. sim_____sly affected *adv.* at the same time
22. assignment for the une_____ed youth *adj.* not having a job, although able to work
23. id_____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
24. in_____ng scent *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
25. di_____ee with a plan *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
26. sc_____m a profanity *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
27. de_____e all of my energies *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
28. ex_____d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
29. ask a co_____se question *v.* to talk informally
30. ga_____e \$100 on the race *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
31. suspend a con_____nal meeting *adj.* of or relating to Congress, especially to the Congress of the United States
32. pa_____le food *adj.* having a pleasant or acceptable taste; pleasing or agreeable to the mind or senses; easily tolerated or accepted

ANSWERS: 21. simultaneously, 22. unemployed, 23. identify, 24. inviting, 25. disagree, 26. scream, 27. devote, 28. expand, 29. converse, 30. gamble, 31. congressional, 32. palatable

33. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
34. the branch of neu_____nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
35. de___e my own life *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
36. attempt to pe_____de *v.* to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion
37. a theoretical concept in neu_____nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
38. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
39. cast su_____on *n.* the act of doubting something, especially something wrong
40. 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
41. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 33. eventually, 34. neuroscience, 35. devote, 36. persuade, 37. neuroscience, 38. separate, 39. suspicion, 40. policy, 41. process

42. reo_____ze his debts *v.* to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization
43. display co_____pt *n.* the feeling that a person or thing is beneath consideration, worthless, or deserving of scorn
44. fleshly de_____e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
45. old cur_____on *n.* a person, often elderly, who is irritable, ill-tempered, and difficult to please or get along with; a crank or complainer
46. an irr_____nt thought *adj.* not connected with or related to something and therefore not important
47. de_____ve weapons *adj.* used or intended to protect someone or something against attack or aggression
48. adopt a re_____d attitude *adj.* made pure by having impurities or unwanted elements removed by processing
49. a we_____e state *n.* the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
50. em_____r the secretary to do the same *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
51. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
52. junior se_____r *n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
53. an____r weight *n.* a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability

ANSWERS: 42. reorganize, 43. contempt, 44. desire, 45. curmudgeon, 46. irrelevant, 47. defensive, 48. refined, 49. welfare, 50. empower, 51. statistics, 52. senator, 53. anchor

54. con_____nal approval *adj.* of or relating to Congress, especially to the Congress of the United States
55. at_____te directly to sales *v.* to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;
56. co____t mistakes *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
57. use of inn_____ve technology *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
58. de____e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
59. pe_____de enough people *v.* to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion
60. ke_____e topic *n.* the central theme or message of a speech, presentation, or event; the first note or tone in a musical scale used as a reference point for the performance of a piece of music
61. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
62. take an un_____in attitude *adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
63. hu_____te the heckler in the audience *v.* to cause someone to feel ashamed, embarrassed, or degraded, especially in public or through revealing personal information

ANSWERS: 54. congressional, 55. attribute, 56. commit, 57. innovative, 58. decide, 59. persuade, 60. keynote, 61. strategy, 62. uncertain, 63. humiliate

64. feel as _____d of him *adj.* feeling guilt, embarrassment, or remorse about something because of something you have done
65. pos _____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
66. be _____d by many people *adj.* loved very much
67. a medical ad _____r *n.* a person who gives advice about a particular subject
68. fa _____y novel *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
69. ma _____l powers *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
70. di _____s a matter with a laugh *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
71. cr __t manufacture *n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
72. secular dr __a *n.* a play in a theatre, television, or radio, or performance on a stage
73. the longstanding co _____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
74. co _____n's family *n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
75. de _____e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

ANSWERS: 64. ashamed, 65. possibility, 66. beloved, 67. adviser, 68. fantasy, 69. magical, 70. dismiss, 71. craft, 72. drama, 73. conflict, 74. cousin, 75. debate

76. str_____ard manner *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
77. an emergency hea_____er *n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
78. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
79. the ou___t of the crisis *n.* the beginning of something
80. ex_____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
81. pr_____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
82. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
83. false cl___m *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
84. a di_____se about art *n.* any form of communication in speech or writing
85. data ag_____te *n.* a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items
86. te_____te design *n.* a pre-designed file or document used as a starting point for a particular application so that the format does not have to be created from scratch

ANSWERS: 76. straightforward, 77. headquarter, 78. engage, 79. outset, 80. extreme, 81. principle, 82. extreme, 83. claim, 84. discourse, 85. aggregate, 86. template

87. a man of imp_____ce
n. the quality of being important and worthy of note
88. confuse fa_____y with reality
n. a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
89. he was en_____ly to blame
adv. completely
90. id_____ty as an individual
n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
91. or_____te from the country
v. to come into existence in a particular place or situation; to start something in a specific place
92. in_____te a discussion
v. to begin or start something; to teach the basics or fundamentals of something to somebody; to formally admit someone into a group or organization
93. the se_____ce of the seasons
n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
94. be_____d author
adj. loved very much
95. em_____e an opportunity
v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
96. break with pr_____nt
n. a previous event or action that serves as an example or rule to authorize or justify similar events or actions in the future

ANSWERS: 87. importance, 88. fantasy, 89. entirely, 90. identity, 91. originate, 92. initiate, 93. sequence, 94. beloved, 95. embrace, 96. precedent

97. in_____ng atmosphere *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
98. at_____de toward mistakes *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
99. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
100. crotchety cur_____on *n.* a person, often elderly, who is irritable, ill-tempered, and difficult to please or get along with; a crank or complainer
101. co_____nt a global warming *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
102. or_____ry annual revenue *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
103. ca_____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
104. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
105. upcoming crime dr__a *n.* a play in a theatre, television, or radio, or performance on a stage
106. ev_____te almost overnight *v.* to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually
107. the co_____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

ANSWERS: 97. inviting, 98. attitude, 99. complexity, 100. curmudgeon, 101. confront, 102. ordinary, 103. capture, 104. magic, 105. drama, 106. evaporate, 107. conflict

108. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
109. 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
110. as___e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
111. do something irr_____nt *adj.* not connected with or related to something and therefore not important
112. in___e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
113. bu___e of papers *n.* a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things
114. administrative hea_____er *n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
115. below co_____pt *n.* the feeling that a person or thing is beneath consideration, worthless, or deserving of scorn
116. market se_____t *n.* a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole
117. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
118. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

ANSWERS: 108. possibility, 109. democracy, 110. assume, 111. irrelevant, 112. invite, 113. bundle, 114. headquarter, 115. contempt, 116. segment, 117. identify, 118. opposition

119. big, b__d piano sounds	<i>adj.</i> brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
120. ev_____te a situation	<i>v.</i> to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
121. dis_____ary action	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to the punishment of people who break the rules; of or relating to a specific field of academic study
122. child we_____e	<i>n.</i> the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
123. act as a dec_____ker	<i>n.</i> a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization
124. co___r honor	<i>v.</i> to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
125. collaborate with co_____ues	<i>n.</i> one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
126. un_____r the truth	<i>v.</i> to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
127. make con_____ng allegations	<i>adj.</i> incompatible or inconsistent with something else; in disagreement
128. cast as_____d eyes	<i>adj.</i> feeling guilt, embarrassment, or remorse about something because of something you have done
129. deputy prime mi_____er	<i>n.</i> a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

ANSWERS: 119. bold, 120. evaluate, 121. disciplinary, 122. welfare, 123. decision-maker, 124. confer, 125. colleague, 126. uncover, 127. conflicting, 128. ashamed, 129. minister

130. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
131. pa__e a moment *v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
132. unsatisfied de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
133. ou___w racial discrimination *v.* to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime
134. pr_____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
135. hu___e opinion *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
136. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
137. the cen_____ce of the meal *n.* the most important or attractive part of something; something placed at the center of something, as on a table
138. coaxial ca___e *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
139. ev_____te the water *v.* to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually
140. su_____on of fraud *n.* the act of doubting something, especially something wrong

ANSWERS: 130. conversation, 131. pause, 132. desire, 133. outlaw, 134. principle, 135. humble, 136. communicate, 137. centerpiece, 138. cable, 139. evaporate, 140. suspicion

141. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
142. open-air aud_____um *n.* a room or building used for concerts, plays, or other public performances
143. an alt_____ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
144. es_____e a cause *v.* to adopt or support a particular belief, theory, or cause; to take up or support; to marry
145. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
146. ca__e television *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
147. im_____l a committee *v.* (also "empanel") to select and swear in a group of people to serve on a jury or other official group or committee
148. ca_____te selection *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
149. pa_____le solution *adj.* having a pleasant or acceptable taste; pleasing or agreeable to the mind or senses; easily tolerated or accepted
150. take dis_____ary measures *adj.* of or relating to the punishment of people who break the rules; of or relating to a specific field of academic study
151. mo_____or role *n.* a person or thing that moderates or regulates something, such as a discussion or forum; a device or mechanism that controls or regulates the speed, temperature, or other variables of a process or operation

ANSWERS: 141. colleague, 142. auditorium, 143. alternative, 144. espouse, 145. government, 146. cable, 147. impanel, 148. candidate, 149. palatable, 150. disciplinary, 151. moderator

152. co___t suicide *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
153. cr__t arts of Japan *n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
154. reo_____ze a department *v.* to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization
155. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
156. ga___e away my fortune *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
157. cross-co___n marriage *n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
158. 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
159. wi___d grin *adj.* morally bad or evil
160. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
161. 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

ANSWERS: 152. commit, 153. craft, 154. reorganize, 155. magic, 156. gamble, 157. cousin, 158. republican, 159. wicked, 160. statistics, 161. patient

162. stylistically inn_____ve works *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
163. po__r regions *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
164. a cl_____c experiment *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
165. a warm em_____e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
166. ta_____ze with promises *v.* to tease or torment by presenting something desirable but out of reach or unattainable; to tempt or lure with the promise of something desirable
167. travel bu___e *n.* a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things
168. co_____ee member *n.* a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization
169. se_____t analysis *n.* a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole
170. the st_____re of a machine *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

ANSWERS: 162. innovative, 163. polar, 164. classic, 165. embrace, 166. tantalize, 167. bundle, 168. committee, 169. segment, 170. structure

171. es_____e an idea *v.* to adopt or support a particular belief, theory, or cause; to take up or support; to marry
172. f__p a coin *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
173. hold di_____se with him *n.* any form of communication in speech or writing
174. ca___n tour *n.* a large, natural underground space
175. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
176. racial or___n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
177. pa___e route *n.* a public procession, especially one celebrating a special day or event
178. an unwilling as_____nt *n.* someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job
179. military st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
180. pair of id_____al twins *adj.* being the exact same one
181. a bad pr_____nt *n.* a previous event or action that serves as an example or rule to authorize or justify similar events or actions in the future
182. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
183. make a str_____ard dash *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity

ANSWERS: 171. espouse, 172. flip, 173. discourse, 174. cavern, 175. government, 176. origin, 177. parade, 178. assistant, 179. strategy, 180. identical, 181. precedent, 182. replace, 183. straightforward

184. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
185. a lot of re____d sugar *adj.* made pure by having impurities or unwanted elements removed by processing
186. 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
187. other co_____l members *n.* a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place
188. cen_____ce proposal *n.* the most important or attractive part of something; something placed at the center of something, as on a table
189. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
190. an official rep_____ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
191. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
192. co_____se with an acquaintance *v.* to talk informally

ANSWERS: 184. debate, 185. refined, 186. platform, 187. council, 188. centerpiece, 189. conversation, 190. representative, 191. opposition, 192. converse

193. or___n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
194. po__r bears *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
195. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
196. a li_____l arts college *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
197. an_____us letter *adj.* having no known name, identity, or known source
198. share of a mu___l fund *adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties
199. po___e manners *adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior
200. industrial ex_____on *n.* the process of becoming larger or more extensive, or the result of this process
201. an_____us house *adj.* having no known name, identity, or known source
202. there is no other alt_____ve *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
203. y__l as loud as we can *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
204. el_____ve course *adj.* of or using in elections; not compulsory
205. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

ANSWERS: 193. origin, 194. polar, 195. communicate, 196. liberal, 197. anonymous, 198. mutual, 199. polite, 200. expansion, 201. anonymous, 202. alternative, 203. yell, 204. elective, 205. engage

206. an innovative pr____al
n. a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
207. forum mo_____or
n. a person or thing that moderates or regulates something, such as a discussion or forum; a device or mechanism that controls or regulates the speed, temperature, or other variables of a process or operation
208. pon_____te about religion
v. to speak or act in a pretentiously authoritative or dogmatic manner; to preach or expound at length on a subject, especially in a pompous or condescending way
209. an id_____al equation
adj. being the exact same one
210. decision-making pr_____s
n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
211. a br__d mind
adj. very wide; general
212. at_____te the change to their marriage
v. to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;
213. PhD ca_____te
n. a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant

ANSWERS: 206. proposal, 207. moderator, 208. pontificate, 209. identical, 210. process, 211. broad, 212. attribute, 213. candidate

214. vi___e of frugality *n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
215. go_____mp sensation *n.* a small bump that appears on the skin due to cold, fear, or excitement; a physiological response that causes the skin to contract and produce small bumps
216. policy dec_____ker *n.* a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization
217. co_____ce an opponent *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
218. 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
219. sop_____ted look *adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
220. month's ou___t *n.* the beginning of something
221. a military pa___e *n.* a public procession, especially one celebrating a special day or event
222. under li_____l conditions *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
223. com_____ry health insurance *adj.* required or mandatory, often due to legal or institutional regulations or expectations; obligatory

ANSWERS: 214. virtue, 215. goosebump, 216. decision-maker, 217. convince, 218. platform, 219. sophisticated, 220. outset, 221. parade, 222. liberal, 223. compulsory

224. 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
225. im_____l a hearing board *v.* (also "empanel") to select and swear in a group of people to serve on a jury or other official group or committee
226. 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
227. en_____ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
228. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
229. ke_____e presentation *n.* the central theme or message of a speech, presentation, or event; the first note or tone in a musical scale used as a reference point for the performance of a piece of music
230. ex___d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
231. st___y weather *adj.* made of or covered with an adhesive substance; hot or warm and humid
232. pon_____te on a topic *v.* to speak or act in a pretentiously authoritative or dogmatic manner; to preach or expound at length on a subject, especially in a pompous or condescending way

ANSWERS: 224. policy, 225. impanel, 226. panel, 227. entirely, 228. communal, 229. keynote, 230. expand, 231. sticky, 232. pontificate

233. ev_____te the grant proposal *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
234. br_____st a concert *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television
235. show ge_____e regret *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
236. cl__m responsibility *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
237. sales rep_____ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
238. improve co_____ve function *adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding
239. time ex_____on *n.* a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line
240. a serious to__c *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
241. research on co_____ve psychology *adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding

ANSWERS: 233. evaluate, 234. broadcast, 235. genuine, 236. claim, 237. representative, 238. cognitive, 239. extension, 240. topic, 241. cognitive

242. ou___w cloning of human cells *v.* to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime
243. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
244. the ar_____nt against capital punishment *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
245. the an_____te to the poison *n.* a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease
246. Chinese cl_____c literature *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
247. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
248. pa__e for a reaction *v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
249. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
250. a lot of con_____ng information *adj.* incompatible or inconsistent with something else; in disagreement
251. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
252. the an_____te for aging *n.* a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease

ANSWERS: 242. outlaw, 243. suppose, 244. argument, 245. antidote, 246. classic, 247. intellect, 248. pause, 249. capture, 250. conflicting, 251. complexity, 252. antidote

253. gr____r checker *n.* the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words
254. at____h a file to an e-mail *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
255. wi____d thoughts *adj.* morally bad or evil
256. an____r bolt *n.* a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability
257. a yawning ca____n *n.* a large, natural underground space
258. su____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
259. al____ed from my parents *adj.* feeling isolated, estranged, or disconnected from others, often due to a sense of difference or lack of belonging
260. te____te file *n.* a pre-designed file or document used as a starting point for a particular application so that the format does not have to be created from scratch
261. civil dis____nce *n.* the act of refusing or failing to follow orders or rules
262. numeric ke____rd *n.* device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work
263. a hu____e cottage *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

ANSWERS: 253. grammar, 254. attach, 255. wicked, 256. anchor, 257. cavern, 258. suppose, 259. alienated, 260. template, 261. disobedience, 262. keyboard, 263. humble

264. co_____ee meeting *n.* a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization
265. 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
266. na__e belief *adj.* showing unaffected simplicity and lack of experience, wisdom, or judgment
267. m__t in the morning *n.* a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water
268. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
269. fine m__t *n.* a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water
270. sc___m at him to be quiet *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
271. an or_____ry school *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
272. member of the ca_____t *n.* a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister

ANSWERS: 264. committee, 265. panel, 266. naive, 267. mist, 268. separate, 269. mist, 270. scream, 271. ordinary, 272. cabinet

273. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
274. or_____te a political movement *v.* to come into existence in a particular place or situation; to start something in a specific place
275. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
276. re_____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
277. con_____ial policy *adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
278. gym_____cs competition *n.* a sport that involves feats of strength, agility, and balance, often performed on apparatus such as a balance beam or a set of parallel bars; any physical exercise that involves movement and agility
279. y__l for help *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
280. educational ill_____ion *n.* a picture or diagram in a book, magazine, or newspaper that is used to explain or decorate the text; the act or process of explaining something
281. as_____nt professor *n.* someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job
282. the DNA se_____ce *n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
283. hu_____te him publicly *v.* to cause someone to feel ashamed, embarrassed, or degraded, especially in public or through revealing personal information

ANSWERS: 273. communal, 274. originate, 275. folk, 276. replace, 277. controversial, 278. gymnastics, 279. yell, 280. illustration, 281. assistant, 282. sequence, 283. humiliate

284. acquire a vi___e *n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
285. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
286. well-st_____d decision *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
287. com_____ry military service *adj.* required or mandatory, often due to legal or institutional regulations or expectations; obligatory
288. re_____al to the argument *n.* a response or argument that opposes or counters a previous statement or claim; a refutation or denial of the validity of an argument or claim
289. con_____ial book *adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
290. make a pr_____e *n.* a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn
291. the to__c of the book *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
292. a sop_____ted lifestyle *adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
293. at___h firmly *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
294. di_____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

ANSWERS: 284. virtue, 285. identity, 286. studied, 287. compulsory, 288. rebuttal, 289. controversial, 290. premise, 291. topic, 292. sophisticated, 293. attach, 294. discuss

295. Latin gr____r	<i>n.</i> the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words
296. eve_____ly succeed	<i>adv.</i> finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
297. attract br__d attention	<i>adj.</i> very wide; general
298. take several inputs sim_____sly	<i>adv.</i> at the same time
299. di_____ee about a particular issue	<i>v.</i> to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
300. tr_____rm an education system	<i>v.</i> to change in outward structure or looks;
301. numerous un_____in factors	<i>adj.</i> not being sure of something; not being able to choose
302. assume the de_____ve	<i>adj.</i> used or intended to protect someone or something against attack or aggression
303. co____r degree	<i>v.</i> to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
304. ta_____ze taste buds	<i>v.</i> to tease or torment by presenting something desirable but out of reach or unattainable; to tempt or lure with the promise of something desirable
305. f__k art	<i>n.</i> people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
306. aud_____um annex	<i>n.</i> a room or building used for concerts, plays, or other public performances
307. an ag_____te of people	<i>n.</i> a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items

ANSWERS: 295. grammar, 296. eventually, 297. broad, 298. simultaneously, 299. disagree, 300. transform, 301. uncertain, 302. defensive, 303. confer, 304. tantalize, 305. folk, 306. auditorium, 307. aggregate

308. f__p over the pork chop
v. to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
309. ma_____l place
adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers
310. in_____te a project
v. to begin or start something; to teach the basics or fundamentals of something to somebody; to formally admit someone into a group or organization
311. become al_____ed
adj. feeling isolated, estranged, or disconnected from others, often due to a sense of difference or lack of belonging
312. a blazing ar_____nt
n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
313. ex_____on project
n. the process of becoming larger or more extensive, or the result of this process
314. uns_____ing result
adj. not surprising, and what was expected; able to be predicted
315. su___t an application
v. to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
316. ke_____rd instruments
n. device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work
317. Mi_____er for Education
n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

ANSWERS: 308. flip, 309. magical, 310. initiate, 311. alienated, 312. argument, 313. expansion, 314. unsurprising, 315. submit, 316. keyboard, 317. minister

318. the ca_____t above the sink *n.* a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister
319. in_____e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
320. re_____al of the claims *n.* a response or argument that opposes or counters a previous statement or claim; a refutation or denial of the validity of an argument or claim
321. con_____ive about production *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
322. 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
323. people who are une_____ed *adj.* not having a job, although able to work
324. sc_____d dog *adj.* afraid or frightened
325. br_____st a radio ad *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television
326. po_____e tone *adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior
327. agree to su_____t the bill *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration

ANSWERS: 318. cabinet, 319. invite, 320. rebuttal, 321. conservative, 322. patient, 323. unemployed, 324. scared, 325. broadcast, 326. polite, 327. submit

328. el____ve official *adj.* of or using in elections; not compulsory
329. 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
330. 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
331. 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
332. su_____ce abuse problem *n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
333. un_____r a potential problem *v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
334. 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
335. di_____s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

ANSWERS: 328. elective, 329. republican, 330. argue, 331. argue, 332. substance, 333. uncover, 334. democracy, 335. discuss

336. na__e mistake	<i>adj.</i> showing unaffected simplicity and lack of experience, wisdom, or judgment
337. city co_____l election	<i>n.</i> a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place
338. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss	<i>v.</i> to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
339. high imp_____ce	<i>n.</i> the quality of being important and worthy of note
340. dis_____nce to authority	<i>n.</i> the act of refusing or failing to follow orders or rules
341. the major pr_____e	<i>n.</i> a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn
342. st_____re and function of the brain	<i>n.</i> the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
343. a ge_____e article	<i>adj.</i> real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
344. develop an attitude of hu_____ty	<i>n.</i> the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
345. lack of hu_____ty	<i>n.</i> the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
346. di_____s a person from the office	<i>v.</i> to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

ANSWERS: 336. naive, 337. council, 338. assume, 339. importance, 340. disobedience, 341. premise, 342. structure, 343. genuine, 344. humility, 345. humility, 346. dismiss

347. em_____r my life *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
348. co_____ce her to go with us *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
349. sc____d all the time *adj.* afraid or frightened
350. mu____l efforts *adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties
351. at_____de control *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
352. co_____nt the issue *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person

ANSWERS: 347. empower, 348. convince, 349. scared, 350. mutual, 351. attitude, 352. confront

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The ship dropped _____ in the bay.
n. a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability
2. A wealth of information does not always have a positive impact on _____.
n. a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization
3. He accumulated wealth across a _____ spectrum of assets.
adj. very wide; general
4. 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
5. The _____ occasionally preaches at this church.
n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
6. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
7. The annual Fourth of July _____ is popular in the town square.
n. a public procession, especially one celebrating a special day or event

ANSWERS: 1. anchor, 2. decision-makers, 3. broad, 4. platform, 5. minister, 6. decide, 7. parade

8. His hometown was where he first acquired the _____ of wood carving.
n. an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
9. The _____ aroma of freshly baked bread drew me into the bakery.
adj. having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
10. The defendant gave a _____ and accurate description of the accident.
adj. easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
11. _____ classes are fun for kids to stay active and learn new skills.
n. a sport that involves feats of strength, agility, and balance, often performed on apparatus such as a balance beam or a set of parallel bars; any physical exercise that involves movement and agility
12. The hawkish _____ gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.
n. a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
13. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
14. She received several _____ calls.
adj. having no known name, identity, or known source
15. She struggled for years to survive without _____.
n. the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group

ANSWERS: 8. craft, 9. inviting, 10. straightforward, 11. Gymnastics, 12. senator, 13. intellect, 14. anonymous, 15. welfare

16. The boss _____ her employee by belittling her in front of her colleagues.
v. to cause someone to feel ashamed, embarrassed, or degraded, especially in public or through revealing personal information
17. Sweet _____ makes short days and nights.
n. any form of communication in speech or writing
18. Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a _____.
n. a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
19. The _____ seating was filled with people waiting for the concert to begin.
n. a room or building used for concerts, plays, or other public performances
20. _____ 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
21. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
22. 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
23. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

ANSWERS: 16. humiliated, 17. discourse, 18. fantasy, 19. auditorium, 20. Democracy, 21. responsible, 22. candidate's, 23. discuss

24. The _____ witch cast a spell on the kingdom.

adj. morally bad or evil

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

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

26. The city _____ voted to approve the new development project.

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

27. Two students answered the teacher's question _____.

adv. at the same time

28. We do move forward with those tasks in _____ next week.

n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order

29. 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

30. The _____ format provided a useful guide for creating the budget.

n. a pre-designed file or document used as a starting point for a particular application so that the format does not have to be created from scratch

31. You don't have to be _____.

adj. feeling guilt, embarrassment, or remorse about something because of something you have done

ANSWERS: 24. wicked, 25. suppose, 26. council, 27. simultaneously, 28. sequence, 29. patient's, 30. template, 31. ashamed

32. The con artist's lies quickly took in the _____ young man.
adj. showing unaffected simplicity and lack of experience, wisdom, or judgment
33. The _____ of the panel discussion kept the conversation on track and orderly.
n. a person or thing that moderates or regulates something, such as a discussion or forum; a device or mechanism that controls or regulates the speed, temperature, or other variables of a process or operation
34. The committee will _____ an investigation into the company's financial records.
v. to begin or start something; to teach the basics or fundamentals of something to somebody; to formally admit someone into a group or organization
35. She _____ the philosophy of non-violence.
v. to adopt or support a particular belief, theory, or cause; to take up or support; to marry
36. They support the funding of _____ abortions by the government.
adj. of or using in elections; not compulsory
37. Knowledge is the _____ to fear.
n. a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease
38. He continued his investigation and soon _____ another crime.
v. to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
39. He wants to _____ ownership of the abandoned property.
v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

ANSWERS: 32. naive, 33. moderator, 34. initiate, 35. espoused, 36. elective, 37. antidote, 38. uncovered, 39. claim

40. When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and _____ at me.

v. to shout in a sudden and loud way

41. A peculiar _____ material coated the foliage.

adj. made of or covered with an adhesive substance; hot or warm and humid

42. The defendant's _____ for the court and its authority was evident in his behavior.

n. the feeling that a person or thing is beneath consideration, worthless, or deserving of scorn

43. The nobler, the more _____.

adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

44. The _____ of the soldiers resulted in a court martial.

n. the act of refusing or failing to follow orders or rules

45. He _____ when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.

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

46. I used to play with my younger male _____ when I was a little girl.

n. the child of your aunt or uncle

47. She had many good _____ and few faults.

n. high moral standards in behavior or attitudes

48. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

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

ANSWERS: 40. yelled, 41. sticky, 42. contempt, 43. humble, 44. disobedience, 45. flipped, 46. cousins, 47. virtues, 48. eventually

49. Education is _____ for every child in most countries.

adj. required or mandatory, often due to legal or institutional regulations or expectations; obligatory

50. The new CEO was appointed to _____ their business.

v. to change to a more sufficient or suitable form of organization

51. He displayed the _____ symptoms of depression.

adj. judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type

52. His _____ faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.

adj. of or relating to mental processes of understanding

53. He finally decided to _____ problems directly.

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

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

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

55. 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

56. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.

n. the first existence or beginning of something

ANSWERS: 49. compulsory, 50. reorganize, 51. classic, 52. cognitive, 53. confront, 54. convince, 55. panel, 56. origin

57. He loved to _____ about politics but often failed to take action.

- v. to speak or act in a pretentiously authoritative or dogmatic manner; to preach or expound at length on a subject, especially in a pompous or condescending way

58. The issue of the death penalty is highly _____.

- adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute

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

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

60. The school's _____ committee met to discuss the student's behavior.

- adj.* of or relating to the punishment of people who break the rules; of or relating to a specific field of academic study

61. The meeting aims to _____ possible choices.

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

62. They removed _____ content from the slides.

- adj.* not connected with or related to something and therefore not important

63. The sun will _____ the mist.

- v. to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually

64. She was highly _____ in her choice of apparel.

- adj.* made pure by having impurities or unwanted elements removed by processing

65. He does not _____ importance to these rumors.

- v. to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another

ANSWERS: 57. pontificate, 58. controversial, 59. separate, 60. disciplinary, 61. evaluate, 62. irrelevant, 63. evaporate, 64. refined, 65. attach

66. The company is undergoing an _____ opening new locations in several states.
n. the process of becoming larger or more extensive, or the result of this process
67. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
68. She was _____ about her friend's intentions.
adj. not being sure of something; not being able to choose
69. I tied up the _____ of newspapers and took them to the recycling center.
n. a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things
70. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.
n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
71. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.
n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
72. The media _____ had special passes.
n. someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
73. The committee has decided to _____ the president from the post.
v. to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

ANSWERS: 66. expansion, 67. identify, 68. uncertain, 69. bundle, 70. conflicts, 71. magic, 72. representatives, 73. dismiss

74. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

75. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.

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

76. The effort to alleviate climate change needs _____ action.

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

77. Some communities began to _____ alcohol consumption.

v. to make something illegal; (noun) a person who has committed a crime or has been legally convicted of a crime

78. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.

adv. completely

79. The _____ amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.

n. a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items

80. 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

81. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

ANSWERS: 74. opposition, 75. expand, 76. bold, 77. outlaw, 78. entirely, 79. aggregate, 80. republican, 81. alternative

82. The company decided to move its _____ to New York City.
n. the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
83. 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
84. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.
adj. very great in amount or degree
85. She enjoyed the opportunity to _____ with a person who spoke her language.
v. to talk informally
86. The _____ of the discussion was the current state of the economy.
n. a subject that is being discussed or written about
87. The explorer discovered a large _____ deep underground.
n. a large, natural underground space
88. The court used previous _____ to make its decision.
n. a previous event or action that serves as an example or rule to authorize or justify similar events or actions in the future
89. The _____ in the book helped me understand the concept better.
n. a picture or diagram in a book, magazine, or newspaper that is used to explain or decorate the text; the act or process of explaining something
90. The prime minister decided to reshuffle his _____ to regain support.
n. a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister

ANSWERS: 82. headquarters, 83. engaged, 84. extreme, 85. converse, 86. topic, 87. cavern, 88. precedents, 89. illustration, 90. cabinet

91. The cold wind gave her _____ on her arms and legs.
n. a small bump that appears on the skin due to cold, fear, or excitement; a physiological response that causes the skin to contract and produce small bumps
92. The company _____ employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.
v. to give someone the power or authority to do something
93. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
94. He always makes a _____ estimation when predicting future sales.
adj. holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
95. 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
96. I was able to _____ the moment on film.
v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
97. Our skeleton outline of the _____ met with much opposition.
n. a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one

ANSWERS: 91. goosebumps, 92. empowered, 93. statistics, 94. conservative, 95. policy, 96. capture, 97. proposal

98. The new employee felt _____ from the rest of the team, as they didn't try to include him in their conversations.

adj. feeling isolated, estranged, or disconnected from others, often due to a sense of difference or lack of belonging

99. The military has _____ an abuse of human rights.

v. to do something illegal or wrong

100. Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral _____.

n. the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

101. The organizational _____ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

n. the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

102. Please strike the "enter" on the _____.

n. device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work

103. She had an audition for _____ school.

n. a play in a theatre, television, or radio, or performance on a stage

104. She tried to _____ her brother to join her on the trip, but he was too busy with work.

v. to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion

105. Marketing strategies are growing more _____.

adj. having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion

ANSWERS: 98. alienated, 99. committed, 100. neuroscience, 101. structure, 102. keyboard, 103. drama, 104. persuade, 105. sophisticated

106. The sun has risen, and the _____ has faded.

n. a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water

107. _____ animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.

adj. relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites

108. There was a _____ probe into the scandal.

adj. of or relating to Congress, especially to the Congress of the United States

109. The defense attorney offered a strong _____ to the prosecution's case.

n. a response or argument that opposes or counters a previous statement or claim; a refutation or denial of the validity of an argument or claim

110. The judge will _____ a jury for the trial next week.

v. (also "empanel") to select and swear in a group of people to serve on a jury or other official group or committee

111. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

112. The _____ outcome of the election was a victory for the incumbent candidate.

adj. not surprising, and what was expected; able to be predicted

113. When I was a child, my mother often cast _____ spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers

ANSWERS: 106. mist, 107. Polar, 108. congressional, 109. rebuttal, 110. impanel, 111. communicate, 112. unsurprising, 113. magical

114. The _____ speaker at the conference inspired us with their innovative ideas.
n. the central theme or message of a speech, presentation, or event; the first note or tone in a musical scale used as a reference point for the performance of a piece of music
115. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
116. Will you _____ on the result of the fight?
v. to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
117. He _____ himself to studying the history of ancient civilizations.
v. to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
118. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.
v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
119. The flight _____ in Vancouver.
v. to come into existence in a particular place or situation; to start something in a specific place
120. The man _____ before opening the door.
v. to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
121. The Prime Minister stressed the need to create _____ industries.
adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.

ANSWERS: 114. keynote, 115. complexity, 116. gamble, 117. devoted, 118. confer, 119. originates, 120. paused, 121. innovative

122. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.
v. to take the place of something
123. Mastering _____ takes a lot of time for those learning a foreign language.
n. the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words
124. 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
125. My father was _____ for so long.
adj. not having a job, although able to work
126. His speech was carefully crafted and delivered with _____ confidence.
adj. deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
127. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.
n. a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
128. The report divided the data into _____ based on age, gender, and income level.
n. a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole
129. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.
v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

ANSWERS: 122. replace, 123. grammar, 124. colleague, 125. unemployed, 126. studied, 127. debate, 128. segments, 129. invite

130. I'm usually a picky eater, but the seafood at this restaurant was surprisingly _____.

adj. having a pleasant or acceptable taste; pleasing or agreeable to the mind or senses; easily tolerated or accepted

131. She had the _____ that work was fun.

n. the way you think and feel about someone or something

132. I _____ for reasons already stated above.

v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

133. After retiring, he continued to be an _____ to politicians.

n. a person who gives advice about a particular subject

134. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

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

adj. being the exact same one

136. The ad hoc _____ met to discuss the proposal.

n. a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization

137. We were filled with _____ at the sight of the Queen.

n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self

138. She had a master's degree in _____.

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

ANSWERS: 130. palatable, 131. attitude, 132. disagree, 133. adviser, 134. importance, 135. identical, 136. committee, 137. humility, 138. psychology

139. I am here to save my _____.

adj. loved very much

140. Please _____ the assignment to me.

v. to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration

141. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

142. I'm trying to avoid becoming a _____ like my grandfather did as he aged.

n. a person, often elderly, who is irritable, ill-tempered, and difficult to please or get along with; a crank or complainer

143. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

144. His writing activities are the _____ of his life.

n. the most important or attractive part of something; something placed at the center of something, as on a table

145. He is _____ in his thoughts.

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

146. He _____ the disappointing results to the economic downturn.

v. to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;

ANSWERS: 139. beloved, 140. submit, 141. assumes, 142. curmudgeon, 143. conversation, 144. centerpiece, 145. liberal, 146. attributes

147. The woods _____ the house.

- v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

148. An executive _____ director administers each branch.

- n.* someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job

149. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

- n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

150. My father's death _____ my life completely.

- v.* to change in outward structure or looks;

151. 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

152. Boxing fans often criticize his _____ stance.

- adj.* used or intended to protect someone or something against attack or aggression

153. At the _____ of the project, we encountered several obstacles.

- n.* the beginning of something

154. I'm _____ of insects.

- adj.* afraid or frightened

155. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.

- n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

ANSWERS: 147. embrace, 148. assistant, 149. argument, 150. transformed, 151. argue, 152. defensive, 153. outset, 154. scared, 155. identity

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

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

157. The book's _____ is that the main character must save the world from an impending disaster.

n. a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn

158. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

159. It's important to be _____ even when you disagree with someone.

adj. showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior

160. 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

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

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

162. The _____ session of the Diet opened.

adj. not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

163. The witness's testimony was _____ with the evidence found at the scene.

adj. incompatible or inconsistent with something else; in disagreement

164. This system uses submarine _____ to exchange information between continents.

n. a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

ANSWERS: 156. possibility, 157. premise, 158. strategy, 159. polite, 160. government, 161. desire, 162. ordinary, 163. conflicting, 164. cables

165. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

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

166. They are building an _____ to the house to add more bedrooms.

- n.* a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line

167. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.

- n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

168. Is this painting _____ or forged?

- adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

169. The _____ of the argument was well-presented.

- n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug

170. Most of the programs are _____ in this area.

- v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television

171. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

172. There was an almost certain _____ that the company was involved in illegal activities.

- n.* the act of doubting something, especially something wrong

ANSWERS: 165. process, 166. extension, 167. folk, 168. genuine, 169. substance, 170. broadcast, 171. Communal, 172. suspicion

173. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

174. The smell of freshly baked cookies in the kitchen _____ me.

v. to tease or torment by presenting something desirable but out of reach or unattainable; to tempt or lure with the promise of something desirable

175. She kept _____ for an ambulance.

v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

176. They cooperated for their _____ benefit.

adj. common to or shared by two or more parties

ANSWERS: 173. principle, 174. tantalized, 175. screaming, 176. mutual