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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### visible

*adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view

*synonym*: clear, observable, seeable

(1) **visible** stars, (2) **visible** by X-ray

My home is easily **visible** from the shore.

### delta

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

*synonym*: floodplain, estuary

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

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

### intact

*adj.* undamaged and complete

*synonym*: flawless, unchanged, entire

(1) **intact** brain, (2) **intact** forestland

Despite the scandals, his reputation remained **intact**.

### wetland

*adj.* land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs

*synonym*: bog, marsh, swamp

(1) **wetland** conservation, (2) **wetland** ecosystem

The **wetland** area was home to many different species of

birds.

## landlocked

*adj.* referring to a country or region that is surrounded by land with no direct access to the sea or ocean

*synonym*: trapped, enclosed

(1) **landlocked** lake, (2) **landlocked** region

The **landlocked** country needed more access to ports and trade routes.

## jewel

*n.* a precious stone that is cut and polished for use in jewelry

*synonym*: gem, precious stone, treasure

(1) **jewel** of the crown, (2) gleaming **jewel**

She treasured the small **jewel** that her grandmother had given her.

## diamond

*n.* a precious stone made from pure carbon, typically transparent and colorless but possibly tinted in various colors; a shape or arrangement resembling the geometric form of a diamond

*synonym*: gemstone, jewel, precious stone

(1) **diamond** ring, (2) **diamond** necklace

The engagement ring was adorned with a large, sparkling **diamond**.

## celebrated

*adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes

*synonym*: acclaimed, notable, prominent

(1) **celebrated** artist, (2) **celebrated** paper

Three **celebrated** tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

## planet

*n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

*synonym*: earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

## heritage

*n.* the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations

*synonym*: legacy, tradition, inheritance

(1) **heritage** site, (2) historical **heritage**

The **heritage** of the city is reflected in its architecture.

## tributary

*n.* a stream or river that flows into a larger one

*synonym*: stream, branch, feeder

(1) major **tributary**, (2) **tributary** stream

The **tributary** river flowed into the main river.

## disappear

*v.* to cease to exist or be visible

*synonym*: fade, evaporate, vanish

(1) **disappear** without a trace, (2) **disappear** after a week

They watched the train **disappear** into the distance.

## highland

*adj.* an area of elevated land or hilly terrain

*synonym*: upland, plateau

(1) **highland** Indian, (2) **highland** agriculture

This region has a humid subtropical and **highland** climate.

## develop

*v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

*synonym*: evolve, progress, advance

(1) **develop** a strategy, (2) **develop** a skill

We must **develop** a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

## basin

*n.* a natural depression or valley that is circular or oval on the surface of the earth, especially one that has water in it; a container with a bowl form that is typically used to hold food or liquids

*synonym*: watershed, bowl

(1) inland **basin**, (2) the **basin** of the Great Salt Lake

Many of the lakes and marshes in the **basin** are mildly salty.

## span

*n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

*synonym*: interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**  
He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

## vast

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

*synonym*: expansive, extended, boundless

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

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

## watershed

*n.* an area of land that separates rivers that flow to different seas or drainage basins

*synonym*: divide, separator, boundary

(1) the hydrology of a **watershed**, (2) **watershed** conservation

**Watershed** management strategies aim to reduce pollution and protect water resources.

## terra

*n.* a Latin word meaning earth or land, often used in scientific or technical contexts to refer to the planet itself or the soil or ground of a particular area

*synonym*: earth, land, ground

(1) **terra** cotta, (2) **terra** firma

Scientists study the **terra** of other planets to learn more about their formations and compositions.

## housekeeping

*n.* the management and upkeep of a household, hotel, or other living or working space, including cleaning, maintenance, organization, and other related tasks

*synonym*: cleaning, housework, tidying up

(1) **housekeeping** duties, (2) daily **housekeeping**

The hotel's **housekeeping** staff does a great job keeping the

rooms clean and tidy.

## patchwork

*n.* a fabric made by stitching together small pieces of different colored and patterned fabrics; a mixture or grouping of diverse elements or components

*synonym*: assortment, jumble, mishmash

(1) the **patchwork** of legislation, (2) **patchwork** design  
The **patchwork** approach to funding led to an uneven distribution of resources.

## mosaic

*n.* a pattern or image made of small regular or irregular pieces of colored stone, glass, or ceramic, or the activity or method of making these

*synonym*: collage, patchwork

(1) a **mosaic** pavement, (2) a **mosaic** of fields and forest areas

The city's **mosaic** culture results in great diversity in the arts.

## floodplain

*n.* an area of flat land adjacent to a river or stream that is subject to periodic flooding

*synonym*: lowland, swamp, delta

(1) **floodplain** area, (2) **floodplain** management

The town was built on a **floodplain**, making it vulnerable to natural disasters.

## lagoon

*n.* a shallow stretch of water separated from a larger body of water by sandbanks or coral reefs; a small saltwater lake near a sea or an ocean

*synonym*: pond, pool, bayou

(1) **lagoon** island, (2) **lagoon** paradise

The mangroves around the **lagoon** provide a habitat for a unique ecosystem

## rhinoceros

*n.* (also rhino) a large, thick-skinned mammal with one or two horns on the nose, typically found in Africa and Asia.

*synonym*: rhino, horned beast, pachyderm

(1) **rhinoceros** habitat, (2) white **rhinoceros**

The baby **rhinoceros** at the wildlife sanctuary was recently born and is very cute.

## airlift

*n.* the transportation of people or goods by aircraft often used to refer to a major operation to move large numbers of people or supplies to or from an area in need, particularly in times of disaster or conflict

*synonym* : airdrop, air transport

(1) humanitarian **airlift**, (2) military **airlift**

The humanitarian organization organized an **airlift** of supplies to the disaster-stricken area.

## sanctuary

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

*synonym* : refuge, safety, haven

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

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

## leopard

*n.* a large wild cat that has yellow-brown fur with black spots and lives in Africa and southern Asia

(1) snow **leopard**, (2) **leopard** print

**Leopards** lurked in the grass to catch their prey.

## hyena

*n.* a carnivorous mammal with a distinctive laugh-like vocalization, known for scavenging and hunting in packs

*synonym* : jackal, coyote, wild dog

(1) **hyena** den, (2) spotted **hyena**

The **hyena's** powerful jaws and teeth enable it to crush bones and devour its prey.

## cheetah

*n.* a large, slender, and fast-running African cat with a yellowish-brown coat and black spots

*synonym* : leopard, jaguar, panther

(1) **cheetah** sprint, (2) **cheetah** habitat

The mother **cheetahs** fiercely protect their cubs, teaching

them valuable hunting and survival skills before they venture out independently.

## ancient

*adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

*synonym* : archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

## baobab

*n.* a type of African tree with a large, bulbous trunk and sparse branches that often looks upside-down; also known as the "tree of life" due to its ability to store water during droughts

*synonym* : monkey bread tree, cream of tartar tree, bottle tree

(1) **baobab** pulp, (2) ancient **baobab**

The **baobab** tree can grow over 60 feet tall and live for thousands of years.

## cathedral

*n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area

*synonym* : church, basilica, temple

(1) **cathedral** school, (2) **cathedral** choir

The **cathedral's** stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.

## discovery

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

*synonym* : finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

## obvious

*adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

*synonym* : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

## reconnect

*v.* to connect again after a break or interruption

*synonym*: reopen, rejoin, link up

(1) **reconnect** a telephone, (2) **reconnect** with family

After a long period of estrangement, they **reconnected** with each other.

## biology

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

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

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

## bound

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

*synonym*: jump, bounce, leap

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

Canada **bounds** on the United States.

## constant

*adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time

*synonym*: ceaseless, stable, unchanging

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

**Constant** dropping wears away the stone.

## atom

*n.* the smallest unit of ordinary matter that forms a chemical element, composed of a nucleus and one or more electrons bound to the nucleus

*synonym*: particle, element, fraction

(1) oxygen **atom**, (2) neutral hydrogen **atoms**

The outermost electron shell of an **atom** determines its chemical characteristics.

## individual

*n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

*synonym*: person, being, self



(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

## cosmos

*n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system

*synonym*: universe, macrocosm

(1) exploration of **cosmos**, (2) origin of the **cosmos**

Supercomputers enable scientists to create computational models of the **cosmos**.

## rely

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

*synonym*: depend, count, lean

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

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

## indirectly

*adv.* not going straight to the point; implying or suggesting something

*synonym*: circuitously, obliquely, by implication

(1) **indirectly** related, (2) **indirectly** impact

The CEO **indirectly** expressed her disappointment with the project's progress.

## declare

*v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly

*synonym*: announce, state, affirm

(1) **declare** independence, (2) **declare** my love

Foreign goods from abroad must be **declared** to customs when entering a country.

## wildlife

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

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

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

## mass

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

*synonym* : abundance, crowd, mob

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

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

## drown

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

*synonym* : douse, drench, overwhelm

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

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

## wildebeest

*n.* (also "gnu") a large African antelope with a broad muzzle and curved horns, known for its annual migration

*synonym* : gnu

(1) grazing **wildebeest**, (2) **wildebeest** herd

The migration of **wildebeest** across the Serengeti is an awe-inspiring natural phenomenon.

## wit

*n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

*synonym* : humor, comedy, funniness

(1) the **wit** of man, (2) full of **wit**

He has the **wit** to keep talking about this topic.

## definitely

*adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

*synonym* : absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**

The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

## extinction

*n.* the complete disappearance of a species from the earth

*synonym* : disappearance, eradication, annihilation

(1) **extinction** prevention, (2) brink of **extinction**

The **extinction** of the dinosaurs is thought to have been caused by an asteroid impact.

## sustainable

*adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time

*synonym*: continuable, endurable, tolerable

(1) **sustainable** alternative fuel, (2) principles of **sustainable** development

The government should do more to support environmentally **sustainable** agriculture.

## coexist

*v.* to live or exist together at the same time in the same place

*synonym*: cohabit, accompany, synchronize

(1) **coexist** with nature, (2) **coexist** with diversity

The different species can **coexist** in the same ecosystem by filling different niches and using different resources.

## pole

*n.* one of two antipodal points where the Earth's axis of rotation intersects the Earth's surface; a long, slender, rounded rod, typically of wood or metal, used as a support or to hang something

*synonym*: rod, staff, shaft

(1) a fishing **pole**, (2) the plus **pole**

The North **Pole** is the northernmost point on Earth.

## conduct

*v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity

*synonym*: behave, lead, carry on

(1) **conduct** a background check, (2) **conduct** research

Police will **conduct** random breath testing for drunk driving.

## survey

*n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

*synonym*: study, examination, poll

(1) a comprehensive **survey**, (2) recent **survey**

That **survey** shows that people are accepting the tax

increase to some extent.

## transect

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

*synonym*: intersect, divide, bisect

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

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

## benchmark

*n.* a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance

*synonym*: standard, measure, gauge

(1) industry **benchmark**, (2) performance **benchmark**

The teacher used a **benchmark** to measure the progress of her students.

## pristine

*adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination

*synonym*: chaste, pure, immaculate

(1) **pristine** beach, (2) maintain the **pristine** condition

It is terrific to camp in **pristine** nature.

## upstream

*adj.* in the direction against a stream's current; (adverb) toward the source or beginning of a stream, river, or process

*synonym*: upriver, up-current

(1) swim **upstream**, (2) **upstream** direction

The company is investing heavily in **upstream** research and development.

## bushman

*n.* a person who lives in a rural or remote area, often with a deep knowledge of local natural resources and survival skills; a hunter-gatherer lifestyle or an indigenous person of southern Africa

*synonym*: bushwhacker, frontiersman, pioneer

(1) **bushman's** instinct, (2) **bushman** tribes

The **bushman's** lifestyle involves being intimately connected

with nature and living sustainably.

## presence

*n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

*synonym*: existence, actuality, fact

(1) the evidence of the **presence**, (2) his majestic **presence**

The path to a solid online **presence** necessitates a high technical ability.

## pilgrim

*n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion

*synonym*: traveler, wayfarer, sojourner

(1) shrine for **pilgrims**, (2) **pilgrim** site

The group of **pilgrims** walked in silence, deep in thought and prayer.

## dugout

*n.* a partially enclosed area or shelter often dug into the ground or located at ground level behind the benches, used for players or coaches in sports such as baseball, cricket, or field hockey

*synonym*: bench, shelter, dugout seat

(1) baseball **dugout**, (2) construction **dugout**

The baseball players retreated to the **dugout** after the inning was over.

## canoe

*n.* a narrow, light boat with pointy ends and no keel that is propelled by a paddle

(1) **canoe** race, (2) make a **canoe** trip

After the accident, the police found an empty **canoe**.

## millennium

*n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

(1) past **millennium**, (2) **millennium** bottle of wine

Our world is in the third **millennium**.

## modern

*adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times

*synonym*: contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre- **modern** agricultural society  
Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

## intelligence

*n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

*synonym* : brains, brightness, cleverness

(1) an **intelligence** test, (2) field of artificial **intelligence**

In terms of **intelligence**, he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

## bow

*v.* to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows

*synonym* : bend, curve, arch

(1) **bow** and greet, (2) a **bow** wave

She **bowed** to the audience after her performance.

## arrow

*n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow

*synonym* : shaft, dart, projectile

(1) **arrow** pointing, (2) **arrow** diagram

The archer aimed his **arrow** carefully at the target.

## medicinal

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

*synonym* : curative, therapeutic, healing

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

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

## poison

*n.* a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly

*synonym* : toxin, venom, pollutant

(1) **poison** ivy, (2) **poison** bilateral relations

The plant's leaves contain a deadly **poison** that can cause hallucinations and seizures.

## domesticate

*v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company

*synonym*: tame, naturalize, cultivate

(1) easy to **domesticate**, (2) **domesticate** the plant

We **domesticate** cows to gain milk and meat.

## destruction

*n.* the act of causing so much damage to something

*synonym*: devastation, annihilation, ruin

(1) path of **destruction**, (2) cyclonic **destruction**

The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat **destruction**.

## illegal

*adj.* not allowed by law

*synonym*: banned, prohibited, illicit

(1) **illegal** drugs, (2) child of **illegal** immigrants

The customs agents seized the **illegal** shipment.

## decimate

*v.* to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number

*synonym*: devastate, destroy, annihilate

(1) **decimate** population, (2) **decimate** economy

The hurricane **decimated** the small town, leaving behind destruction and devastation.

## urgently

*adv.* in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important

*synonym*: promptly, immediately, swiftly

(1) tackle the problem **urgently**, (2) **urgently** required

I need to send this email **urgently**.

## launch

*v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make

something available or on sale for the first time

*synonym* : start, initiate, begin

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

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

## ambitious

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

*synonym* : enterprising, challenging, earnest

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

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

## pioneer

*n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something

*synonym* : frontiersperson, innovator, trailblazer

(1) act as a **pioneer**, (2) early **pioneers**

John Whitney was a computer animation **pioneer**.

## minefield

*n.* an area or situation that contains a hidden danger or risk, particularly a literal minefield of explosives or a figurative minefield of potential problems or missteps

*synonym* : hazard, danger, obstacle course

(1) enter a political **minefield**, (2) navigate the **minefield**

The corporate restructuring process was a **minefield** with many obstacles that needed to be navigated.

## undocumented

*adj.* not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission

(1) **undocumented** worker, (2) **undocumented** command

The border patrol has recently been focusing on cracking down on **undocumented** non-citizens.

## otherworldly

*adj.* supernatural, other than worldly; not of this world

*synonym* : celestial, ethereal, unearthly

(1) **otherworldly** experience, (2) **otherworldly** creature



The **otherworldly** landscape was filled with strange, glowing plants.

## untouched

*adj.* not touched or disturbed by anyone or anything; not having been altered, changed, or affected in any way

*synonym*: untarnished, pristine, intact

(1) **untouched** wilderness, (2) **untouched** landscape

The abandoned house was **untouched** for years, with vines growing all over it.

## paddle

*n.* a flat, usually wooden implement with a handle used for stirring, mixing, or beating a liquid or substance

*synonym*: oar, oarlock, scull

(1) **paddle** strokes, (2) canoe **paddle**

The **paddle** boarders glided across the crystal-clear waters of the cove.

## intensive

*adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time

*synonym*: thorough, comprehensive, in-depth

(1) **intensive** agriculture, (2) **intensive** care

The construction industry is labor **intensive**, although it has been somewhat automated by introducing large machinery.

## desert

*n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

(1) **desert** basin, (2) oasis in the **desert**

This region is predominantly **desert**.

## ripple

*n.* a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind

*synonym*: wave, undulation, fluctuation

(1) a **ripple** of laughter, (2) **ripple** in the water

Many businesses felt the **ripple** effect of the economy's decline.

## eddy

*n.* a circular current of water or air that flows in the opposite direction to the main current, causing a small whirlpool; a current of opinion, activity, or trend that goes against the main current

*synonym* : whirlpool, vortex, swirl

(1) **eddy** of water, (2) **eddy** of leaves

Unfortunately, the swirling **eddy** in the river made it difficult to swim.

## lily

*n.* a flowering plant with large, showy, trumpet-shaped flowers, typically symbolizing purity, innocence, and beauty

(1) **lily** perfume, (2) water **lily**

The beautiful **lily** garden in the park was a sight to behold.

## sweat

*n.* the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress

*synonym* : perspiration, steam, hardwork

(1) all in a **sweat**, (2) **sweat** bath

She wiped the **sweat** off her forehead with a towel.

## choke

*v.* to prevent or obstruct the normal breathing or swallowing of someone or something

*synonym* : strangle, suffocate, clog

(1) **choke** with anger, (2) **choke** off the blood supply

The baby started to **choke** on a piece of apple.

## flesh

*n.* the soft substance composing the body of a person or animal, as opposed to bones and other structures

*synonym* : meat, muscle, tissue

(1) grow in **flesh**, (2) **flesh** eating

The **flesh** of the fruit is sweet and juicy.

## bacteria

*n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease

*synonym* :

microorganism, microbe

(1) pathogenic **bacteria**, (2) harmless **bacteria**

**Bacteria** prevalent in hospitals are often resistant to antibiotics.

## threat

*n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

*synonym*: menace, danger, hazard

(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**

The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

## landmine

*n.* an explosive device hidden underground and designed to be detonated by the presence, proximity, or contact with a person or vehicle

*synonym*: mine, explosive device, antipersonnel mine

(1) destroy a **landmine**, (2) **landmine** removal

The antipersonnel **landmine** was a dangerous obstacle in the war-torn area.

## unseen

*adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived

*synonym*: invisible, hidden, undercover

(1) **unseen** danger, (2) an **unseen** force

The consequences of the pandemic remain **unseen** as scientists continue to research the virus.

## hippopotamus

*n.* (also "hippo") a large, mostly herbivorous mammal native to sub-Saharan Africa, with a bulky, rounded body, short legs, and large head and mouth, which inhabits rivers and lakes and is known for its aggressive behavior and territorial nature

*synonym*: river horse, water horse, hippo

(1) **hippopotamus** habitat, (2) giant **hippopotamus**

The zoo has a new **hippopotamus** exhibit that popularly

attracts families.

## capsize

*v.* to overturn or tip over a boat or other watercraft; to turn upside down or on its side, often as a result of a sudden force or imbalance

*synonym*: overturn, overturning, tipping

(1) **capsize** a boat, (2) **capsize** in the middle of the storm  
The strong wind caused the kayak to **capsize**, throwing the paddler into the water.

## thrust

*v.* to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing

*synonym*: push, shove, prod

(1) **thrust** a dagger home, (2) **thrust** a plate away  
The engine **thrust** the rocket into space.

## tusk

*n.* a long, pointed tooth, usually found in animals such as elephants, walruses, or wild boars, which protrudes from the mouth and is used as a weapon or for digging

*synonym*: ivory, tush, horn

(1) **tusk** of an elephant, (2) **tusk-like** tooth  
The ivory poacher was arrested for possession of illegal **tusks**.

## hull

*n.* the main body or frame of a ship, airplane, or other vehicles, or the outer covering or shell of a seed, fruit, or other objects

*synonym*: shell, skin, outer covering

(1) set a strake on the **hull**, (2) double- **hull** tank  
The ship's **hull** was damaged in the storm, and the crew had to make emergency repairs.

## puncture

*n.* a small hole or wound made by piercing, such as with a needle, nail, or pointed object

*synonym*: piercing, prick, hole

(1) bicycle **puncture**, (2) needle **puncture**  
The tire had a **puncture** and needed to be replaced.

## absolutely

*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly  
*synonym*: completely, utterly, definitely

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

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

## terrifying

*adj.* very frightening or intimidating  
*synonym*: frightening, intimidating, alarming

(1) **terrifying** experience, (2) **terrifying** events

Large earthquakes often generate **terrifying** tsunamis.

## rocky

*adj.* full of or abounding in rocks; of, relating to, or made of rock

*synonym*: stony, boulder-strewn, rough

(1) **rocky** terrain, (2) **rocky** relationship

The **rocky** road made it difficult to drive on.

## bucket

*n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids

*synonym*: pail, tub, can

(1) **bucket** list, (2) **bucket** of golf balls

She filled a **bucket** with water and carried it back to the house.

## marathon

*n.* a long-distance race of 42.195 kilometers

*synonym*: endurance, race, event

(1) run a **marathon**, (2) watch a **marathon**

She successfully completed her first **marathon** with a personal best time.

## log-in

*v.* to enter one's username and password or other credentials to gain access to a computer system, website, or other digital services; (noun) the process of gaining access to a computer system, network, or website by entering a username and password

*synonym*: log-on, sign-in, access

(1) **log-in** to a network, (2) **log-in** credentials

I had to **log-in** to my email account to check my messages.

## reboot

*v.* to restart a computer or other device by loading and rerunning the operating system; to restart or resume an activity, process, or situation after a pause or interruption, often to improve it

*synonym* : restart, refresh, reinitialize

(1) **reboot** your career, (2) **reboot** system

I had to **reboot** my computer after it crashed unexpectedly.

## religion

*n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

*synonym* : faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

## spiritual

*adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things

*synonym* : otherworldly, ethereal, transcendental

(1) constant **spiritual** striving, (2) **spiritual** leader

The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more **spiritual** connection with the universe.

## birthplace

*n.* the house, town, etc., where someone was born

*synonym* : hometown, native place, origin

(1) ancestral **birthplaces**, (2) **birthplace** of modern soccer

The **birthplace** of civilization is a topic of much debate among historians.

## standing

*adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position;  
(noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation

*synonym* : upright, vertical, (noun) position

(1) **standing** water, (2) his social **standing**

The **standing** concert was packed with fans.

## prophet

*n.* a person believed to have an extraordinary power that can understand God's will.

*synonym* : oracle, visionary, seer

(1) false **prophet**, (2) words of the **prophet**

In this tribe, people believed the **prophet** would save them from many calamities.

## mystic

*adj.* having spiritual powers or qualities that are beyond ordinary understanding; (noun) someone who believes in the existence of realities beyond human comprehension

*synonym* : secret, mystical, supernatural

(1) **mystic** teaching, (2) medieval **mystic**

He is interested in the **mystic** rites of that religion.

## unprotected

*adj.* not guarded, covered, or shielded; vulnerable; without protection or defense

*synonym* : uncovered, defenseless, vulnerable

(1) **unprotected** area, (2) **unprotected** Wi-Fi

It's important never to have **unprotected** sex to prevent the spread of STDs.

## opportune

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

*synonym* : suitable, timely, practical

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

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

## urgency

*n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately

*synonym* : importance, importunity, urging

(1) **urgency** in the use of force, (2) matter of **urgency**

She departed hurriedly because of some significant **urgency** in their affairs.

## tire

*v.* to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or

fatigued; (noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving

*synonym*: exhaust, weary, fatigue

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

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

## rediscover

*v.* to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost

*synonym*: recover, get back, revive

(1) **rediscover** a value, (2) **rediscover** an old truth

The painting was **rediscovered** in an attic and turned out to be a long-lost masterpiece.

## tower

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

*synonym*: building, belfry, edifice

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

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

## postwar

*adj.* relating to the period following a war, particularly World War II; characterized by the rebuilding and recovery of countries and societies

*synonym*: subsequent, aftermath

(1) **postwar** years, (2) **postwar** society

The **postwar** period was marked by economic growth and rebuilding efforts.

## waterfall

*n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock

*synonym*: cascade, falls, rapids

(1) scenic **waterfall**, (2) a **waterfall** with a fall of ten feet

Years of river erosion have formed the uniquely shaped **waterfall** basin.



## woodland

*n.* land covered with trees and underbrush; a forest  
*synonym*: forest, grove, copse

(1) **woodland** creatures, (2) broad-leafed **woodland**

We walked through the **woodland** and saw many different types of plants and animals.

## 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.

## 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.

## preserve

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

*synonym*: conserve, care for, maintain

(1) **preserve** my strength, (2) **preserve** a country's heritage

They worked hard to **preserve** the nature of their native lands.

## downstream

*adv.* in the direction that a stream or river flows; (adjective) in the direction of a stream's current

*synonym*: lower, below, later

(1) go **downstream** in a boat, (2) **downstream** processing

The boat drifted **downstream** and was carried away by the current.

## represent

*v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

*synonym*: depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

## doubt

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

*synonym*: distrust, suspect, mistrust

(1) dispel **doubts**, (2) no **doubt** about the news

**Doubt** is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

## conservation

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

*synonym*: preservation, protection, saving

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

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

## unprecedented

*adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before

*synonym*: novel, outstanding, unparalleled

(1) **unprecedented** boom, (2) **unprecedented** business opportunity

**Unprecedented** amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

## invest

*v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

*synonym*: fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

## preservation

*n.* the act of keeping something in its original state or of preventing it from being damaged

*synonym*: conserving, protection, conservancy

(1) wildlife **preservation**, (2) the **preservation** of food

The museum had kept the paintings in remarkable **preservation**.

## **ecosystem**

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

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

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

## Session 2: Spelling

1. the average life s\_\_n  
*n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
2. easy to dom\_\_\_\_\_te  
*v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
3. unprotect\_\_\_\_\_ed Wi-Fi  
*adj.* not guarded, covered, or shielded; vulnerable; without protection or defense
4. I was dr\_\_ned in work  
*v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
5. tackle the problem ur\_\_\_\_\_ly  
*adv.* in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important
6. ind\_\_\_\_\_al freedom  
*n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
7. environmental th\_\_\_\_t  
*n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
8. unprotect\_\_\_\_\_ed area  
*adj.* not guarded, covered, or shielded; vulnerable; without protection or defense
9. t\_\_e pressure  
*v.* to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued;  
(noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving

ANSWERS: 1. span, 2. domesticate, 3. unprotected, 4. drown, 5. urgently, 6. individual, 7. threat, 8. unprotected, 9. tire

10. water l\_\_y *n.* a flowering plant with large, showy, trumpet-shaped flowers, typically symbolizing purity, innocence, and beauty
11. the hydrology of a wa\_\_\_\_\_ed *n.* an area of land that separates rivers that flow to different seas or drainage basins
12. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
13. double-h\_\_l tank *n.* the main body or frame of a ship, airplane, or other vehicles, or the outer covering or shell of a seed, fruit, or other objects
14. pr\_\_\_\_\_ne beach *adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination
15. t\_\_k-like tooth *n.* a long, pointed tooth, usually found in animals such as elephants, walruses, or wild boars, which protrudes from the mouth and is used as a weapon or for digging
16. false pr\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a person believed to have an extraordinary power that can understand God's will.
17. marine ec\_\_\_\_\_em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
18. de\_\_\_\_\_e my love *v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
19. re\_\_\_\_\_ct with family *v.* to connect again after a break or interruption

ANSWERS: 10. lily, 11. watershed, 12. absolutely, 13. hull, 14. pristine, 15. tusk, 16. prophet, 17. ecosystem, 18. declare, 19. reconnect

20. navigate the mi\_\_\_\_\_ld *n.* an area or situation that contains a hidden danger or risk, particularly a literal minefield of explosives or a figurative minefield of potential problems or missteps
21. a wa\_\_\_\_\_ll with a fall of ten feet *n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
22. re\_\_\_\_t your career *v.* to restart a computer or other device by loading and rerunning the operating system; to restart or resume an activity, process, or situation after a pause or interruption, often to improve it
23. unp\_\_\_\_\_ted boom *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
24. cel\_\_\_\_\_ed artist *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
25. de\_\_\_\_te economy *v.* to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number
26. ca\_\_\_\_\_e a boat *v.* to overturn or tip over a boat or other watercraft; to turn upside down or on its side, often as a result of a sudden force or imbalance
27. te\_\_a firma *n.* a Latin word meaning earth or land, often used in scientific or technical contexts to refer to the planet itself or the soil or ground of a particular area

ANSWERS: 20. minefield, 21. waterfall, 22. reboot, 23. unprecedented, 24. celebrated, 25. decimate, 26. capsize, 27. terra

28. historical he\_\_\_\_ge *n.* the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations
29. mil\_\_\_\_\_um bottle of wine *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
30. t\_\_e my patience *v.* to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued; (noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving
31. di\_\_\_\_\_ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
32. bir\_\_\_\_\_ce of modern soccer *n.* the house, town, etc., where someone was born
33. spotted by\_\_a *n.* a carnivorous mammal with a distinctive laugh-like vocalization, known for scavenging and hunting in packs
34. hi\_\_\_\_\_nd agriculture *adj.* an area of elevated land or hilly terrain
35. ar\_\_w pointing *n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
36. a fishing p\_\_e *n.* one of two antipodal points where the Earth's axis of rotation intersects the Earth's surface; a long, slender, rounded rod, typically of wood or metal, used as a support or to hang something
37. path of des\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something

ANSWERS: 28. heritage, 29. millennium, 30. tire, 31. disappear, 32. birthplace, 33. hyena, 34. highland, 35. arrow, 36. pole, 37. destruction

38. make a ca\_\_e trip *n.* a narrow, light boat with pointy ends and no keel that is propelled by a paddle
39. st\_\_\_\_\_ng water *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
40. the plus p\_\_e *n.* one of two antipodal points where the Earth's axis of rotation intersects the Earth's surface; a long, slender, rounded rod, typically of wood or metal, used as a support or to hang something
41. medieval my\_\_\_\_c *adj.* having spiritual powers or qualities that are beyond ordinary understanding; (noun) someone who believes in the existence of realities beyond human comprehension
42. recent su\_\_\_\_y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
43. ext\_\_\_\_\_on prevention *n.* the complete disappearance of a species from the earth
44. the to\_\_r on a cliff *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
45. re\_\_\_\_\_ct a telephone *v.* to connect again after a break or interruption
46. e\_\_y of water *n.* a circular current of water or air that flows in the opposite direction to the main current, causing a small whirlpool; a current of opinion, activity, or trend that goes against the main current

ANSWERS: 38. canoe, 39. standing, 40. pole, 41. mystic, 42. survey, 43. extinction, 44. tower, 45. reconnect, 46. eddy



47. ancestral bir\_\_\_\_\_ces                    *n.* the house, town, etc., where someone was born
48. snow le\_\_\_\_\_d                            *n.* a large wild cat that has yellow-brown fur with black spots and lives in Africa and southern Asia
49. dom\_\_\_\_\_te the plant                    *v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
50. ca\_\_\_\_\_al choir                            *n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
51. t\_\_k of an elephant                        *n.* a long, pointed tooth, usually found in animals such as elephants, walruses, or wild boars, which protrudes from the mouth and is used as a weapon or for digging
52. def\_\_\_\_\_ly become a problem            *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
53. past mil\_\_\_\_\_um                            *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
54. v\_\_t desert                                    *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
55. wildlife pre\_\_\_\_\_ion                      *n.* the act of keeping something in its original state or of preventing it from being damaged
56. po\_\_\_\_n ivy                                    *n.* a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly

ANSWERS: 47. birthplace, 48. leopard, 49. domesticate, 50. cathedral, 51. tusk, 52. definitely, 53. millennium, 54. vast, 55. preservation, 56. poison

57. hy\_\_a den *n.* a carnivorous mammal with a distinctive laugh-like vocalization, known for scavenging and hunting in packs
58. pathogenic ba\_\_\_\_\_ia *n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease
59. major tr\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* a stream or river that flows into a larger one
60. all in a sw\_\_t *n.* the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress
61. red\_\_\_\_\_er a value *v.* to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost
62. humanitarian ai\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* the transportation of people or goods by aircraft often used to refer to a major operation to move large numbers of people or supplies to or from an area in need, particularly in times of disaster or conflict
63. in\_\_\_\_\_ve agriculture *adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
64. an int\_\_\_\_\_nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
65. pi\_\_\_\_\_m site *n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion

ANSWERS: 57. hyena, 58. bacteria, 59. tributary, 60. sweat, 61. rediscover, 62. airlift, 63. intensive, 64. intelligence, 65. pilgrim

66. act as a pi\_\_\_\_r *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
67. bu\_\_\_\_t of golf balls *n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids
68. di\_\_\_\_ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
69. swim up\_\_\_\_am *adj.* in the direction against a stream's current; (adverb) toward the source or beginning of a stream, river, or process
70. und\_\_\_\_ted command *adj.* not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission
71. no do\_\_t about the news *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
72. und\_\_\_\_ted worker *adj.* not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission
73. ch\_\_e off the blood supply *v.* to prevent or obstruct the normal breathing or swallowing of someone or something
74. his social st\_\_\_\_ng *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
75. th\_\_t a dagger home *v.* to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing
76. industry be\_\_\_\_rk *n.* a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance

ANSWERS: 66. pioneer, 67. bucket, 68. disappear, 69. upstream, 70. undocumented, 71. doubt, 72. undocumented, 73. choke, 74. standing, 75. thrust, 76. benchmark

77. critical m\_\_s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
78. ur\_\_\_\_ly required *adv.* in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important
79. e\_\_y of leaves *n.* a circular current of water or air that flows in the opposite direction to the main current, causing a small whirlpool; a current of opinion, activity, or trend that goes against the main current
80. la\_\_\_h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
81. he\_\_\_\_ge site *n.* the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations
82. a co\_\_\_\_nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
83. in\_\_\_t brain *adj.* undamaged and complete
84. tr\_\_\_\_ry stream *n.* a stream or river that flows into a larger one
85. la\_\_\_n island *n.* a shallow stretch of water separated from a larger body of water by sandbanks or coral reefs; a small saltwater lake near a sea or an ocean
86. an un\_\_\_n force *adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived

ANSWERS: 77. mass, 78. urgently, 79. eddy, 80. launch, 81. heritage, 82. constant, 83. intact, 84. tributary, 85. lagoon, 86. unseen

87. po\_\_\_n bilateral relations *n.* a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly
88. ca\_\_\_\_\_e in the middle of the storm *v.* to overturn or tip over a boat or other watercraft; to turn upside down or on its side, often as a result of a sudden force or imbalance
89. ch\_\_\_\_\_h habitat *n.* a large, slender, and fast-running African cat with a yellowish-brown coat and black spots
90. an animal sa\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
91. ri\_\_\_e in the water *n.* a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind
92. bu\_\_\_\_\_n's instinct *n.* a person who lives in a rural or remote area, often with a deep knowledge of local natural resources and survival skills; a hunter-gatherer lifestyle or an indigenous person of southern Africa
93. in\_\_\_t forestland *adj.* undamaged and complete
94. a mo\_\_\_c pavement *n.* a pattern or image made of small regular or irregular pieces of colored stone, glass, or ceramic, or the activity or method of making these

ANSWERS: 87. poison, 88. capsized, 89. cheetah, 90. sanctuary, 91. ripple, 92. bushman, 93. intact, 94. mosaic

95. origin of the co\_\_\_s *n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system
96. exploration of co\_\_\_s *n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system
97. hou\_\_\_\_\_ing duties *n.* the management and upkeep of a household, hotel, or other living or working space, including cleaning, maintenance, organization, and other related tasks
98. daily hou\_\_\_\_\_ing *n.* the management and upkeep of a household, hotel, or other living or working space, including cleaning, maintenance, organization, and other related tasks
99. a mo\_\_\_c of fields and forest areas *n.* a pattern or image made of small regular or irregular pieces of colored stone, glass, or ceramic, or the activity or method of making these
100. de\_\_\_\_\_p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
101. un\_\_\_\_\_ed wilderness *adj.* not touched or disturbed by anyone or anything; not having been altered, changed, or affected in any way
102. vi\_\_\_\_\_e by X-ray *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view

ANSWERS: 95. cosmos, 96. cosmos, 97. housekeeping, 98. housekeeping, 99. mosaic, 100. develop, 101. untouched, 102. visible

103. dow\_\_\_\_\_am processing *adv.* in the direction that a stream or river flows; (adjective) in the direction of a stream's current
104. th\_\_\_t a plate away *v.* to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing
105. cyclonic des\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
106. matter of ur\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately
107. ba\_\_\_b pulp *n.* a type of African tree with a large, bulbous trunk and sparse branches that often looks upside-down; also known as the "tree of life" due to its ability to store water during droughts
108. save the pl\_\_\_t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
109. un\_\_\_\_\_ed landscape *adj.* not touched or disturbed by anyone or anything; not having been altered, changed, or affected in any way
110. gov\_\_\_\_\_nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
111. the ba\_\_\_n of the Great Salt Lake *n.* a natural depression or valley that is circular or oval on the surface of the earth, especially one that has water in it; a container with a bowl form that is typically used to hold food or liquids
112. wi\_\_\_\_\_fe sanctuary *n.* animals, birds, insects, etc. that grow independently of people and live in natural conditions

ANSWERS: 103. downstream, 104. thrust, 105. destruction, 106. urgency, 107. baobab, 108. planet, 109. untouched, 110. government, 111. basin, 112. wildlife

113. un\_\_\_n danger *adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived
114. military ai\_\_\_\_t *n.* the transportation of people or goods by aircraft often used to refer to a major operation to move large numbers of people or supplies to or from an area in need, particularly in times of disaster or conflict
115. ur\_\_\_\_y in the use of force *n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately
116. co\_\_\_\_t with nature *v.* to live or exist together at the same time in the same place
117. white rhi\_\_\_\_os *n.* (also rhino) a large, thick-skinned mammal with one or two horns on the nose, typically found in Africa and Asia.
118. la\_\_\_n paradise *n.* a shallow stretch of water separated from a larger body of water by sandbanks or coral reefs; a small saltwater lake near a sea or an ocean
119. re\_\_\_t system *v.* to restart a computer or other device by loading and rerunning the operating system; to restart or resume an activity, process, or situation after a pause or interruption, often to improve it
120. ind\_\_\_\_ly related *adv.* not going straight to the point; implying or suggesting something
121. pa\_\_\_e strokes *n.* a flat, usually wooden implement with a handle used for stirring, mixing, or beating a liquid or substance
122. la\_\_\_h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

ANSWERS: 113. unseen, 114. airlift, 115. urgency, 116. coexist, 117. rhinoceros, 118. lagoon, 119. reboot, 120. indirectly, 121. paddle, 122. launch



123. 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
124. la\_\_\_\_ne removal *n.* an explosive device hidden underground and designed to be detonated by the presence, proximity, or contact with a person or vehicle
125. lan\_\_\_\_\_ed lake *adj.* referring to a country or region that is surrounded by land with no direct access to the sea or ocean
126. mo\_\_\_n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
127. broad-leafed wo\_\_\_\_\_nd *n.* land covered with trees and underbrush; a forest
128. scenic wa\_\_\_\_\_ll *n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
129. a b\_w wave *v.* to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows
130. grazing wil\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* (also "gnu") a large African antelope with a broad muzzle and curved horns, known for its annual migration

ANSWERS: 123. process, 124. landmine, 125. landlocked, 126. modern, 127. woodland, 128. waterfall, 129. bow, 130. wildebeest

131. bo\_\_ded with delight      *v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
132. set a strake on the h\_\_l      *n.* the main body or frame of a ship, airplane, or other vehicles, or the outer covering or shell of a seed, fruit, or other objects
133. bird and other wi\_\_\_\_fe      *n.* animals, birds, insects, etc. that grow independently of people and live in natural conditions
134. run a ma\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a long-distance race of 42.195 kilometers
135. de\_\_\_\_te population      *v.* to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number
136. abs\_\_\_\_ly obsessed with the girl      *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
137. ro\_\_y terrain      *adj.* full of or abounding in rocks; of, relating to, or made of rock
138. gleaming je\_\_l      *n.* a precious stone that is cut and polished for use in jewelry
139. ca\_\_e race      *n.* a narrow, light boat with pointy ends and no keel that is propelled by a paddle
140. freedom of re\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
141. canoe pa\_\_\_\_e      *n.* a flat, usually wooden implement with a handle used for stirring, mixing, or beating a liquid or substance

ANSWERS: 131. bound, 132. hull, 133. wildlife, 134. marathon, 135. decimate, 136. absolutely, 137. rocky, 138. jewel, 139. canoe, 140. religion, 141. paddle

142. a bell to\_\_r *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
143. words of the pr\_\_\_\_t *n.* a person believed to have an extraordinary power that can understand God's will.
144. an\_\_\_\_t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
145. di\_\_\_\_d necklace *n.* a precious stone made from pure carbon, typically transparent and colorless but possibly tinted in various colors; a shape or arrangement resembling the geometric form of a diamond
146. up\_\_\_\_am direction *adj.* in the direction against a stream's current; (adverb) toward the source or beginning of a stream, river, or process
147. co\_\_\_\_t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
148. unpre\_\_\_\_ted business opportunity *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
149. sp\_\_\_\_al leader *adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
150. the characters that re\_\_\_\_nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
151. dispel do\_\_ts *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

ANSWERS: 142. tower, 143. prophet, 144. ancient, 145. diamond, 146. upstream, 147. conduct, 148. unprecedented, 149. spiritual, 150. represent, 151. doubt

152. lo\_\_\_n credentials *v.* to enter one's username and password or other credentials to gain access to a computer system, website, or other digital services; (noun) the process of gaining access to a computer system, network, or website by entering a username and password
153. lo\_\_\_n to a network *v.* to enter one's username and password or other credentials to gain access to a computer system, website, or other digital services; (noun) the process of gaining access to a computer system, network, or website by entering a username and password
154. evolutionary bi\_\_\_\_y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
155. co\_\_\_\_t with diversity *v.* to live or exist together at the same time in the same place
156. inland ba\_\_n *n.* a natural depression or valley that is circular or oval on the surface of the earth, especially one that has water in it; a container with a bowl form that is typically used to hold food or liquids
157. co\_\_\_\_t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
158. ch\_\_\_\_h sprint *n.* a large, slender, and fast-running African cat with a yellowish-brown coat and black spots
159. a co\_\_\_\_nt temperature *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time

ANSWERS: 152. log-in, 153. log-in, 154. biology, 155. coexist, 156. basin, 157. conduct, 158. cheetah, 159. constant

160. ind\_\_\_\_\_ly impact *adv.* not going straight to the point; implying or suggesting something
161. shrine for pi\_\_\_\_\_ms *n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion
162. say def\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
163. r\_\_y entirely on him *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
164. pre-Christian an\_\_\_\_\_t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
165. full of w\_t *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
166. op\_\_\_\_\_ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
167. ca\_\_\_\_\_al school *n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
168. hip\_\_\_\_\_mus habitat *n.* (also "hippo") a large, mostly herbivorous mammal native to sub-Saharan Africa, with a bulky, rounded body, short legs, and large head and mouth, which inhabits rivers and lakes and is known for its aggressive behavior and territorial nature

ANSWERS: 160. indirectly, 161. pilgrim, 162. definitely, 163. rely, 164. ancient, 165. wit, 166. opportune, 167. cathedral, 168. hippopotamus

169. ter\_\_\_\_\_ng experience *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
170. pa\_\_\_\_\_rk design *n.* a fabric made by stitching together small pieces of different colored and patterned fabrics; a mixture or grouping of diverse elements or components
171. v\_\_t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
172. wo\_\_\_\_\_nd creatures *n.* land covered with trees and underbrush; a forest
173. we\_\_\_\_\_d ecosystem *adj.* land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs
174. je\_\_l of the crown *n.* a precious stone that is cut and polished for use in jewelry
175. constant sp\_\_\_\_\_al striving *adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
176. de\_\_\_\_\_p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
177. baseball du\_\_\_\_t *n.* a partially enclosed area or shelter often dug into the ground or located at ground level behind the benches, used for players or coaches in sports such as baseball, cricket, or field hockey
178. the evidence of the pr\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

ANSWERS: 169. terrifying, 170. patchwork, 171. vast, 172. woodland, 173. wetland, 174. jewel, 175. spiritual, 176. develop, 177. dugout, 178. presence

179. pl\_\_\_t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
180. the s\_\_n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
181. enter a political mi\_\_\_\_\_ld *n.* an area or situation that contains a hidden danger or risk, particularly a literal minefield of explosives or a figurative minefield of potential problems or missteps
182. b\_w and greet *v.* to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows
183. ch\_\_e with anger *v.* to prevent or obstruct the normal breathing or swallowing of someone or something
184. the great di\_\_\_\_\_ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
185. achieve am\_\_\_\_\_us goals *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
186. vi\_\_\_\_\_e stars *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
187. 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

ANSWERS: 179. planet, 180. span, 181. minefield, 182. bow, 183. choke, 184. discovery, 185. ambitious, 186. visible, 187. process



188. po\_\_\_\_r years *adj.* relating to the period following a war, particularly World War II; characterized by the rebuilding and recovery of countries and societies
189. gov\_\_\_\_\_nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
190. in\_\_\_\_\_ve care *adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
191. traditional me\_\_\_\_\_al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
192. tr\_\_\_\_\_ct the area *v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study
193. my\_\_\_\_c teaching *adj.* having spiritual powers or qualities that are beyond ordinary understanding; (noun) someone who believes in the existence of realities beyond human comprehension
194. the pa\_\_\_\_\_rk of legislation *n.* a fabric made by stitching together small pieces of different colored and patterned fabrics; a mixture or grouping of diverse elements or components
195. a private ind\_\_\_\_\_al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
196. me\_\_\_\_\_al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
197. watch a ma\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a long-distance race of 42.195 kilometers
198. hi\_\_\_\_\_nd Indian *adj.* an area of elevated land or hilly terrain

ANSWERS: 188. postwar, 189. government, 190. intensive, 191. medicinal, 192. transect, 193. mystic, 194. patchwork, 195. individual, 196. medicinal, 197. marathon, 198. highland

199. economic th\_\_\_t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
200. oth\_\_\_\_\_dly creature *adj.* supernatural, other than worldly; not of this world
201. a comprehensive su\_\_\_y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
202. field of artificial int\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
203. lan\_\_\_\_\_ed region *adj.* referring to a country or region that is surrounded by land with no direct access to the sea or ocean
204. red\_\_\_\_\_er an old truth *v.* to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost
205. early pi\_\_\_\_\_rs *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
206. oxygen a\_\_m *n.* the smallest unit of ordinary matter that forms a chemical element, composed of a nucleus and one or more electrons bound to the nucleus
207. maintain the pr\_\_\_\_\_ne condition *adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination
208. a ri\_\_\_e of laughter *n.* a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind

ANSWERS: 199. threat, 200. otherworldly, 201. survey, 202. intelligence, 203. landlocked, 204. rediscover, 205. pioneer, 206. atom, 207. pristine, 208. ripple

209. flo\_\_\_\_\_in management *n.* an area of flat land adjacent to a river or stream that is subject to periodic flooding
210. flo\_\_\_\_\_in area *n.* an area of flat land adjacent to a river or stream that is subject to periodic flooding
211. sw\_\_t bath *n.* the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress
212. the con\_\_\_\_\_ion law of physics *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
213. cel\_\_\_\_\_ed paper *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
214. fl\_\_h eating *n.* the soft substance composing the body of a person or animal, as opposed to bones and other structures
215. po\_\_\_\_\_r society *adj.* relating to the period following a war, particularly World War II; characterized by the rebuilding and recovery of countries and societies
216. grow in fl\_\_h *n.* the soft substance composing the body of a person or animal, as opposed to bones and other structures
217. pr\_\_\_\_\_ve a country's heritage *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

ANSWERS: 209. floodplain, 210. floodplain, 211. sweat, 212. conservation, 213. celebrated, 214. flesh, 215. postwar, 216. flesh, 217. preserve

218. go dow\_\_\_\_\_am in a boat      *adv.* in the direction that a stream or river flows; (adjective) in the direction of a stream's current
219. neutral hydrogen a\_\_ms      *n.* the smallest unit of ordinary matter that forms a chemical element, composed of a nucleus and one or more electrons bound to the nucleus
220. cell and molecular bi\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
221. giant hip\_\_\_\_\_mus      *n.* (also "hippo") a large, mostly herbivorous mammal native to sub-Saharan Africa, with a bulky, rounded body, short legs, and large head and mouth, which inhabits rivers and lakes and is known for its aggressive behavior and territorial nature
222. di\_\_\_\_\_d ring      *n.* a precious stone made from pure carbon, typically transparent and colorless but possibly tinted in various colors; a shape or arrangement resembling the geometric form of a diamond
223. in\_\_\_\_t capital      *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
224. dr\_\_n in a bath      *v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
225. his conclusion was ob\_\_\_\_\_s      *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

ANSWERS: 218. downstream, 219. atom, 220. biology, 221. hippopotamus, 222. diamond, 223. invest, 224. drown, 225. obvious

226. needle pu\_\_\_\_re *n.* a small hole or wound made by piercing, such as with a needle, nail, or pointed object
227. pr\_\_\_\_ve my strength *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
228. bu\_\_\_\_n tribes *n.* a person who lives in a rural or remote area, often with a deep knowledge of local natural resources and survival skills; a hunter-gatherer lifestyle or an indigenous person of southern Africa
229. pre-mo\_\_\_\_n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
230. re\_\_\_\_on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
231. bicycle pu\_\_\_\_re *n.* a small hole or wound made by piercing, such as with a needle, nail, or pointed object
232. ob\_\_\_\_s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
233. construction du\_\_\_\_t *n.* a partially enclosed area or shelter often dug into the ground or located at ground level behind the benches, used for players or coaches in sports such as baseball, cricket, or field hockey
234. ro\_\_y relationship *adj.* full of or abounding in rocks; of, relating to, or made of rock
235. de\_\_\_\_e independence *v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly

ANSWERS: 226. puncture, 227. preserve, 228. bushman, 229. modern, 230. religion, 231. puncture, 232. obvious, 233. dugout, 234. rocky, 235. declare

236. ter\_\_\_\_\_ng events *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
237. destroy a la\_\_\_\_\_ne *n.* an explosive device hidden underground and designed to be detonated by the presence, proximity, or contact with a person or vehicle
238. with an am\_\_\_\_\_us eye *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
239. il\_\_\_\_\_l drugs *adj.* not allowed by law
240. we\_\_\_\_\_d conservation *adj.* land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs
241. ar\_\_w diagram *n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
242. oth\_\_\_\_\_dly experience *adj.* supernatural, other than worldly; not of this world
243. his majestic pr\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
244. bo\_\_d up a staircase *v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
245. bu\_\_\_t list *n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids
246. harmless ba\_\_\_\_\_ia *n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease

ANSWERS: 236. terrifying, 237. landmine, 238. ambitious, 239. illegal, 240. wetland, 241. arrow, 242. otherworldly, 243. presence, 244. bound, 245. bucket, 246. bacteria

247. river de\_\_as *n.* a triangular area of low and flat land that is formed when a river flows into a larger body of water and deposits sediment; an object shaped like an equilateral triangle
248. soil con\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
249. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
250. de\_\_\_t basin *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
251. the pre\_\_\_\_\_ion of food *n.* the act of keeping something in its original state or of preventing it from being damaged
252. principles of sus\_\_\_\_\_le development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
253. the w\_t of man *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
254. l\_\_y perfume *n.* a flowering plant with large, showy, trumpet-shaped flowers, typically symbolizing purity, innocence, and beauty
255. le\_\_\_\_\_d print *n.* a large wild cat that has yellow-brown fur with black spots and lives in Africa and southern Asia
256. tr\_\_\_\_\_ct a forest *v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study

ANSWERS: 247. delta, 248. conservation, 249. opportune, 250. desert, 251. preservation, 252. sustainable, 253. wit, 254. lily, 255. leopard, 256. transect

257. ancient ba\_\_\_b *n.* a type of African tree with a large, bulbous trunk and sparse branches that often looks upside-down; also known as the "tree of life" due to its ability to store water during droughts
258. child of il\_\_\_\_\_l immigrants *adj.* not allowed by law
259. te\_\_a cotta *n.* a Latin word meaning earth or land, often used in scientific or technical contexts to refer to the planet itself or the soil or ground of a particular area
260. change the ec\_\_\_\_\_em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
261. a m\_\_s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
262. performance be\_\_\_\_\_rk *n.* a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance
263. sus\_\_\_\_\_le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
264. re\_\_\_\_\_nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
265. de\_\_a cone *n.* a triangular area of low and flat land that is formed when a river flows into a larger body of water and deposits sediment; an object shaped like an equilateral triangle

ANSWERS: 257. baobab, 258. illegal, 259. terra, 260. ecosystem, 261. mass, 262. benchmark, 263. sustainable, 264. represent, 265. delta



266. oasis in the de\_\_\_t *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
267. brink of ext\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the complete disappearance of a species from the earth
268. violate a sa\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
269. r\_\_\_y on convenience stores *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
270. rhi\_\_\_\_\_os habitat *n.* (also rhino) a large, thick-skinned mammal with one or two horns on the nose, typically found in Africa and Asia.
271. wil\_\_\_\_\_st herd *n.* (also "gnu") a large African antelope with a broad muzzle and curved horns, known for its annual migration
272. wa\_\_\_\_\_ed conservation *n.* an area of land that separates rivers that flow to different seas or drainage basins
273. a scientific di\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
274. in\_\_\_t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

ANSWERS: 266. desert, 267. extinction, 268. sanctuary, 269. rely, 270. rhinoceros, 271. wildebeest, 272. watershed, 273. discovery, 274. invest

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. In terms of \_\_\_\_\_ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.  
*n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
2. The CEO \_\_\_\_\_ expressed her disappointment with the project's progress.  
*adv.* not going straight to the point; implying or suggesting something
3. I need to send this email \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adv.* in a way that requires immediate action or attention, especially before anything else, because of being very important
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ road made it difficult to drive on.  
*adj.* full of or abounding in rocks; of, relating to, or made of rock
5. The border patrol has recently been focusing on cracking down on \_\_\_\_\_ non-citizens.  
*adj.* not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission
6. The consequences of the pandemic remain \_\_\_\_\_ as scientists continue to research the virus.  
*adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ period was marked by economic growth and rebuilding efforts.  
*adj.* relating to the period following a war, particularly World War II; characterized by the rebuilding and recovery of countries and societies
8. The beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ garden in the park was a sight to behold.  
*n.* a flowering plant with large, showy, trumpet-shaped flowers, typically symbolizing purity, innocence, and beauty

ANSWERS: 1. intelligence, 2. indirectly, 3. urgently, 4. rocky, 5. undocumented, 6. unseen, 7. postwar, 8. lily

9. We must \_\_\_\_\_ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
10. The Nile \_\_\_\_\_ is a rich and fertile region that has supported agriculture for thousands of years.
- n.* a triangular area of low and flat land that is formed when a river flows into a larger body of water and deposits sediment; an object shaped like an equilateral triangle
11. The strong wind caused the kayak to \_\_\_\_\_ throwing the paddler into the water.
- v.* to overturn or tip over a boat or other watercraft; to turn upside down or on its side, often as a result of a sudden force or imbalance
12. The paper is \_\_\_\_\_ worth reading thoroughly.
- adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
13. Despite the scandals, his reputation remained \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* undamaged and complete
14. Canada \_\_\_\_\_ on the United States.
- v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
15. The baseball players retreated to the \_\_\_\_\_ after the inning was over.
- n.* a partially enclosed area or shelter often dug into the ground or located at ground level behind the benches, used for players or coaches in sports such as baseball, cricket, or field hockey

ANSWERS: 9. develop, 10. Delta, 11. capsize, 12. definitely, 13. intact, 14. bounds, 15. dugout

16. The \_\_\_\_\_ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
- n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
17. The hurricane \_\_\_\_\_ the small town, leaving behind destruction and devastation.
- v.* to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number
18. I had to \_\_\_\_\_ to my email account to check my messages.
- v.* to enter one's username and password or other credentials to gain access to a computer system, website, or other digital services; (noun) the process of gaining access to a computer system, network, or website by entering a username and password
19. My home is easily \_\_\_\_\_ from the shore.
- adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
20. The \_\_\_\_\_ boarders glided across the crystal-clear waters of the cove.
- n.* a flat, usually wooden implement with a handle used for stirring, mixing, or beating a liquid or substance
21. The boat drifted \_\_\_\_\_ and was carried away by the current.
- adv.* in the direction that a stream or river flows; (adjective) in the direction of a stream's current
22. Her research team made an important \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 16. threat, 17. decimated, 18. log-in, 19. visible, 20. paddle, 21. downstream, 22. discovery

23. Supercomputers enable scientists to create computational models of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system
24. The mangroves around the \_\_\_\_\_ provide a habitat for a unique ecosystem
- n.* a shallow stretch of water separated from a larger body of water by sandbanks or coral reefs; a small saltwater lake near a sea or an ocean
25. The government should view children as national assets and actively \_\_\_\_\_ in them.
- v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
26. The \_\_\_\_\_ lifestyle involves being intimately connected with nature and living sustainably.
- n.* a person who lives in a rural or remote area, often with a deep knowledge of local natural resources and survival skills; a hunter-gatherer lifestyle or an indigenous person of southern Africa
27. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ of strength for our team in trouble.
- n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
28. John Whitney was a computer animation \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
29. This region has a humid subtropical and \_\_\_\_\_ climate.
- adj.* an area of elevated land or hilly terrain

ANSWERS: 23. cosmos, 24. lagoon, 25. invest, 26. bushman's, 27. tower, 28. pioneer, 29. highland

30. She \_\_\_\_\_ to the audience after her performance.

- v.* to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows

31. 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

32. The outermost electron shell of an \_\_\_\_\_ determines its chemical characteristics.

- n.* the smallest unit of ordinary matter that forms a chemical element, composed of a nucleus and one or more electrons bound to the nucleus

33. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in \_\_\_\_\_ class.

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

34. We walked through the \_\_\_\_\_ and saw many different types of plants and animals.

- n.* land covered with trees and underbrush; a forest

35. After a long period of estrangement, they \_\_\_\_\_ with each other.

- v.* to connect again after a break or interruption

36. I am \_\_\_\_\_ opposed to his idea because of morality.

- adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

37. Many of the lakes and marshes in the \_\_\_\_\_ are mildly salty.

- n.* a natural depression or valley that is circular or oval on the surface of the earth, especially one that has water in it; a container with a bowl form that is typically used to hold food or liquids

ANSWERS: 30. bowed, 31. process, 32. atom, 33. biology, 34. woodland, 35. reconnected, 36. absolutely, 37. basin

38. Our world is in the third \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

39. The construction industry is labor \_\_\_\_\_ although it has been somewhat automated by introducing large machinery.

*adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time

40. The antipersonnel \_\_\_\_\_ was a dangerous obstacle in the war-torn area.

*n.* an explosive device hidden underground and designed to be detonated by the presence, proximity, or contact with a person or vehicle

41. Unfortunately, the swirling \_\_\_\_\_ in the river made it difficult to swim.

*n.* a circular current of water or air that flows in the opposite direction to the main current, causing a small whirlpool; a current of opinion, activity, or trend that goes against the main current

42. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ out my dog with a long walk so that he will sleep through the night.

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

43. The \_\_\_\_\_ river flowed into the main river.

*n.* a stream or river that flows into a larger one

44. The group of \_\_\_\_\_ walked in silence, deep in thought and prayer.

*n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion

ANSWERS: 38. millennium, 39. intensive, 40. landmine, 41. eddy, 42. tire, 43. tributary, 44. pilgrims

45. The \_\_\_\_\_ of civilization is a topic of much debate among historians.  
*n.* the house, town, etc., where someone was born
46. The ivory poacher was arrested for possession of illegal \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a long, pointed tooth, usually found in animals such as elephants, walruses, or wild boars, which protrudes from the mouth and is used as a weapon or for digging
47. \_\_\_\_\_ management strategies aim to reduce pollution and protect water resources.  
*n.* an area of land that separates rivers that flow to different seas or drainage basins
48. In this tribe, people believed the \_\_\_\_\_ would save them from many calamities.  
*n.* a person believed to have an extraordinary power that can understand God's will.
49. The corporate restructuring process was a \_\_\_\_\_ with many obstacles that needed to be navigated.  
*n.* an area or situation that contains a hidden danger or risk, particularly a literal minefield of explosives or a figurative minefield of potential problems or missteps
50. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the fruit is sweet and juicy.  
*n.* the soft substance composing the body of a person or animal, as opposed to bones and other structures
51. Police will \_\_\_\_\_ random breath testing for drunk driving.  
*v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity

ANSWERS: 45. birthplace, 46. tusks, 47. Watershed, 48. prophet, 49. minefield, 50. flesh, 51. conduct



52. The \_\_\_\_\_ powerful jaws and teeth enable it to crush bones and devour its prey.
- n.* a carnivorous mammal with a distinctive laugh-like vocalization, known for scavenging and hunting in packs
53. \_\_\_\_\_ prevalent in hospitals are often resistant to antibiotics.
- n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease
54. They worked hard to \_\_\_\_\_ the nature of their native lands.
- v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
55. There are \_\_\_\_\_ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
- adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
56. The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
57. Scientists study the \_\_\_\_\_ of other planets to learn more about their formations and compositions.
- n.* a Latin word meaning earth or land, often used in scientific or technical contexts to refer to the planet itself or the soil or ground of a particular area
58. The \_\_\_\_\_ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
- n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

ANSWERS: 52. hyena's, 53. Bacteria, 54. preserve, 55. obvious, 56. destruction, 57. terra, 58. mass

59. \_\_\_\_\_ lurked in the grass to catch their prey.  
*n.* a large wild cat that has yellow-brown fur with black spots and lives in Africa and southern Asia
60. She departed hurriedly because of some significant \_\_\_\_\_ in their affairs.  
*n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately
61. \_\_\_\_\_ dropping wears away the stone.  
*adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
62. The \_\_\_\_\_ stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.  
*n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
63. The tire had a \_\_\_\_\_ and needed to be replaced.  
*n.* a small hole or wound made by piercing, such as with a needle, nail, or pointed object
64. The path to a solid online \_\_\_\_\_ necessitates a high technical ability.  
*n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
65. The baby started to \_\_\_\_\_ on a piece of apple.  
*v.* to prevent or obstruct the normal breathing or swallowing of someone or something
66. We \_\_\_\_\_ cows to gain milk and meat.  
*v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
67. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

ANSWERS: 59. Leopards, 60. urgency, 61. Constant, 62. cathedral's, 63. puncture, 64. presence, 65. choke, 66. domesticate, 67. ecosystem

68. She treasured the small \_\_\_\_\_ that her grandmother had given her.  
*n.* a precious stone that is cut and polished for use in jewelry
69. She wiped the \_\_\_\_\_ off her forehead with a towel.  
*n.* the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress
70. The plant's leaves contain a deadly \_\_\_\_\_ that can cause hallucinations and seizures.  
*n.* a substance that can cause illness, injury, or death when ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin; something harmful, malicious, or toxic; the act of damaging or ruining a relationship; (verb) to introduce a substance into something or someone harmful and potentially deadly
71. She successfully completed her first \_\_\_\_\_ with a personal best time.  
*n.* a long-distance race of 42.195 kilometers
72. He is interested in the \_\_\_\_\_ rites of that religion.  
*adj.* having spiritual powers or qualities that are beyond ordinary understanding; (noun) someone who believes in the existence of realities beyond human comprehension
73. The church offered \_\_\_\_\_ to refugees fleeing from war-torn countries.  
*n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
74. The hotel's \_\_\_\_\_ staff does a great job keeping the rooms clean and tidy.  
*n.* the management and upkeep of a household, hotel, or other living or working space, including cleaning, maintenance, organization, and other related tasks

ANSWERS: 68. jewel, 69. sweat, 70. poison, 71. marathon, 72. mystic, 73. sanctuary, 74. housekeeping

75. The \_\_\_\_\_ approach to funding led to an uneven distribution of resources.  
*n.* a fabric made by stitching together small pieces of different colored and patterned fabrics; a mixture or grouping of diverse elements or components
76. Their company has been in business for a short time but has \_\_\_\_\_ goals.  
*adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
77. The new highway will \_\_\_\_\_ the wilderness, potentially disrupting local wildlife.  
*v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study
78. The humanitarian organization organized an \_\_\_\_\_ of supplies to the disaster-stricken area.  
*n.* the transportation of people or goods by aircraft often used to refer to a major operation to move large numbers of people or supplies to or from an area in need, particularly in times of disaster or conflict
79. The \_\_\_\_\_ tree can grow over 60 feet tall and live for thousands of years.  
*n.* a type of African tree with a large, bulbous trunk and sparse branches that often looks upside-down; also known as the "tree of life" due to its ability to store water during droughts
80. She filled a \_\_\_\_\_ with water and carried it back to the house.  
*n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids
81. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the dinosaurs is thought to have been caused by an asteroid impact.  
*n.* the complete disappearance of a species from the earth

ANSWERS: 75. patchwork, 76. ambitious, 77. transect, 78. airlift, 79. baobab, 80. bucket, 81. extinction

82. The abandoned house was \_\_\_\_\_ for years, with vines growing all over it.  
*adj.* not touched or disturbed by anyone or anything; not having been altered, changed, or affected in any way
83. Floods have the potential to \_\_\_\_\_ any subsurface animals easily.  
*v.* to die or cause to die by being unable to breathe underwater
84. The museum had kept the paintings in remarkable \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the act of keeping something in its original state or of preventing it from being damaged
85. The engine \_\_\_\_\_ the rocket into space.  
*v.* to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing
86. Their headquarters are in a \_\_\_\_\_ skyscraper.  
*adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
87. That \_\_\_\_\_ shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.  
*n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
88. The zoo has a new \_\_\_\_\_ exhibit that popularly attracts families.  
*n.* (also "hippo") a large, mostly herbivorous mammal native to sub-Saharan Africa, with a bulky, rounded body, short legs, and large head and mouth, which inhabits rivers and lakes and is known for its aggressive behavior and territorial nature
89. The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more \_\_\_\_\_ connection with the universe.  
*adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things

ANSWERS: 82. untouched, 83. drown, 84. preservation, 85. thrust, 86. modern, 87. survey, 88. hippopotamus, 89. spiritual

90. The company is set to \_\_\_\_\_ its new product line next month.
- v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
91. This region is predominantly \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
92. The mother \_\_\_\_\_ fiercely protect their cubs, teaching them valuable hunting and survival skills before they venture out independently.
- n.* a large, slender, and fast-running African cat with a yellowish-brown coat and black spots
93. \_\_\_\_\_ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.
- n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
94. The conservation area has an abundance of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* animals, birds, insects, etc. that grow independently of people and live in natural conditions
95. He has the \_\_\_\_ to keep talking about this topic.
- n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
96. Three \_\_\_\_\_ tenors performed during the president's inauguration.
- adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
97. The North \_\_\_\_ is the northernmost point on Earth.
- n.* one of two antipodal points where the Earth's axis of rotation intersects the Earth's surface; a long, slender, rounded rod, typically of wood or metal, used as a support or to hang something

ANSWERS: 90. launch, 91. desert, 92. cheetahs, 93. Doubt, 94. wildlife, 95. wit, 96. celebrated, 97. Pole

98. The government should do more to support environmentally \_\_\_\_\_ agriculture.

*adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time

99. It's important never to have \_\_\_\_\_ sex to prevent the spread of STDs.

*adj.* not guarded, covered, or shielded; vulnerable; without protection or defense

100. Many businesses felt the \_\_\_\_\_ effect of the economy's decline.

*n.* a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind

101. The different species can \_\_\_\_\_ in the same ecosystem by filling different niches and using different resources.

*v.* to live or exist together at the same time in the same place

102. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.

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

103. Large earthquakes often generate \_\_\_\_\_ tsunamis.

*adj.* very frightening or intimidating

104. The \_\_\_\_\_ concert was packed with fans.

*adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation

105. The \_\_\_\_\_ landscape was filled with strange, glowing plants.

*adj.* supernatural, other than worldly; not of this world

ANSWERS: 98. sustainable, 99. unprotected, 100. ripple, 101. coexist, 102. opportune, 103. terrifying, 104. standing, 105. otherworldly

106. They have been living near water since \_\_\_\_\_ times.

*adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

107. He slightly modified the \_\_\_\_\_ of training because it was just before a match.

*n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

108. \_\_\_\_\_ amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

*adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before

109. The town was built on a \_\_\_\_\_ making it vulnerable to natural disasters.

*n.* an area of flat land adjacent to a river or stream that is subject to periodic flooding

110. Their \_\_\_\_\_ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

*n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

111. The teacher used a \_\_\_\_\_ to measure the progress of her students.

*n.* a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance

112. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the city is reflected in its architecture.

*n.* the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations

113. A \_\_\_\_\_ audience viewed the broadcast.

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

ANSWERS: 106. ancient, 107. span, 108. Unprecedented, 109. floodplain, 110. religion, 111. benchmark, 112. heritage, 113. vast



114. After the accident, the police found an empty \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a narrow, light boat with pointy ends and no keel that is propelled by a paddle

115. Mercury is the closest \_\_\_\_\_ to the sun.

- n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

116. 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

117. I had to \_\_\_\_\_ my computer after it crashed unexpectedly.

- v.* to restart a computer or other device by loading and rerunning the operating system; to restart or resume an activity, process, or situation after a pause or interruption, often to improve it

118. We elected him to \_\_\_\_\_ us at the international conference.

- v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

119. The forest was recently designated a \_\_\_\_\_ area.

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

120. The \_\_\_\_\_ country needed more access to ports and trade routes.

- adj.* referring to a country or region that is surrounded by land with no direct access to the sea or ocean

121. Babies heavily \_\_\_\_\_ on others for food.

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

ANSWERS: 114. canoe, 115. planet, 116. government, 117. reboot, 118. represent, 119. conservation, 120. landlocked, 121. rely

122. The baby \_\_\_\_\_ at the wildlife sanctuary was recently born and is very cute.
- n.* (also rhino) a large, thick-skinned mammal with one or two horns on the nose, typically found in Africa and Asia.
123. The painting was \_\_\_\_\_ in an attic and turned out to be a long-lost masterpiece.
- v.* to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost
124. The \_\_\_\_\_ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.
- adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
125. Years of river erosion have formed the uniquely shaped \_\_\_\_\_ basin.
- n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
126. The company is investing heavily in \_\_\_\_\_ research and development.
- adj.* in the direction against a stream's current; (adverb) toward the source or beginning of a stream, river, or process
127. As an \_\_\_\_\_ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
- n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
128. They watched the train \_\_\_\_\_ into the distance.
- v.* to cease to exist or be visible
129. It is terrific to camp in \_\_\_\_\_ nature.
- adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination

ANSWERS: 122. rhinoceros, 123. rediscovered, 124. medicinal, 125. waterfall, 126. upstream, 127. individual, 128. disappear, 129. pristine

130. The migration of \_\_\_\_\_ across the Serengeti is an awe-inspiring natural phenomenon.
- n.* (also "gnu") a large African antelope with a broad muzzle and curved horns, known for its annual migration
131. The engagement ring was adorned with a large, sparkling \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a precious stone made from pure carbon, typically transparent and colorless but possibly tinted in various colors; a shape or arrangement resembling the geometric form of a diamond
132. The customs agents seized the \_\_\_\_\_ shipment.
- adj.* not allowed by law
133. The ship's \_\_\_\_\_ was damaged in the storm, and the crew had to make emergency repairs.
- n.* the main body or frame of a ship, airplane, or other vehicles, or the outer covering or shell of a seed, fruit, or other objects
134. The city's \_\_\_\_\_ culture results in great diversity in the arts.
- n.* a pattern or image made of small regular or irregular pieces of colored stone, glass, or ceramic, or the activity or method of making these
135. The archer aimed his \_\_\_\_\_ carefully at the target.
- n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
136. Foreign goods from abroad must be \_\_\_\_\_ to customs when entering a country.
- v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly

ANSWERS: 130. wildebeest, 131. diamond, 132. illegal, 133. hull, 134. mosaic, 135. arrow, 136. declared

137. The \_\_\_\_\_ area was home to many different species of birds.

*adj.* land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs

ANSWERS: 137. wetland