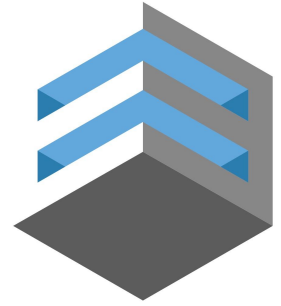


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Session 1: Word List

inspire

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

synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

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

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

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym : unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

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.

degree

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

synonym : level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade
She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

exposure

n. the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret

synonym: vulnerability, disclosure, uncovering

(1) a southern **exposure**, (2) the **exposure** of a fraud
The long **exposure** to the air tarnished the antique tableware.

ordinary

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

synonym: mundane, prosaic, average

(1) an **ordinary** school, (2) **ordinary** annual revenue
The **ordinary** session of the Diet opened.

extraordinary

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

synonym: exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

(1) **extraordinary** ability, (2) **extraordinary** weather
He narrated the **extraordinary** story of his adventure.

courage

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

synonym: bravery, valor, fearlessness

(1) mental **courage**, (2) inspire **courage**
It takes a lot of **courage** to stand up for what you believe is right.

wisdom

n. the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions

synonym: sagacity, discernment, insight

(1) a fountain of **wisdom**, (2) **wisdom** literature
The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's **wisdom**.

humility

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

synonym : humbleness, modesty, unpretentiousness

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

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

rural

adj. of or relating to the countryside

synonym : agrarian, country, rustic

(1) **rural** accents, (2) people in **rural** areas

Many **rural** areas are still impoverished.

movement

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

synonym : motion, progression, action

(1) a circular **movement**, (2) **movement** of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

handsome

adj. physically attractive and pleasing in appearance; attractive and generous

synonym : good-looking, attractive, beautiful

(1) a **handsome** young man, (2) a **handsome** salary

The politician was known for his **handsome** appearance and charm.

dynamic

adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

synonym : energetic, active, vital

(1) a **dynamic** market, (2) **dynamic** person

The sprinter has a **dynamic** way of running.

educated

adj. having received a high standard of education

synonym : knowledgeable, erudite, enlightened

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

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

toilet

n. a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture

synonym: bathroom, lavatory, washroom

(1) **toilet** paper, (2) **toilet** seat

She walked to the **toilet** to freshen up before the meeting.

horrify

v. to shock or disgust greatly

synonym: shock, dismay, terrify

(1) **horrify** audience, (2) **horrify** victims

The series of terrorist attacks **horrify** the entire nation.

blacksmith

n. a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil

(1) **blacksmith** welding, (2) **blacksmith** shop

The **blacksmith** shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.

insistent

adj. characterized by a persistent and forceful demand or urging; unyielding or uncompromising in one's position or viewpoint; persistent in pursuit of a goal or objective

synonym: demanding, persistent, assertive

(1) **insistent** tone, (2) **insistent** demand

The **insistent** chatter from the other room made it impossible for her to focus on her work.

monsoon

n. a seasonal wind system that brings heavy rainfall to a region, typically occurring in tropical areas

synonym: rainy season, deluge, downpour

(1) **monsoon** season, (2) **monsoon** current

The **monsoon** rains often bring relief to areas suffering from drought.

refuse

v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

synonym: turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company
My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

subsidy

n. money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen
synonym: allowance, grant, sponsorship

(1) inefficient fossil fuel **subsidy**, (2) a **subsidy** for research
The government provided a considerable **subsidy** to the company.

grant

v. to agree to give or allow somebody
synonym: allocate, authorize, give

(1) **grant** a new license, (2) **grant** a land
The chairperson **granted** him the right to speak.

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.

license

n. an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
synonym: permit, authorization, certificate

(1) **license** renewal, (2) software **license**
Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's **license**.

reserve

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
synonym: keep, hold, preserve

(1) **reserve** the right, (2) **reserve** a concert ticket
You can easily **reserve** seats over the telephone.

reject

v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

synonym : decline, turn down, repudiate

(1) **reject** the proposal, (2) **reject** all imperfect merchandise

The company **rejected** the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

promote

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

synonym : boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior

The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

literate

adj. having the ability to read and write; possessing knowledge or understanding of a particular subject or topic

synonym : educated, well-read, knowledgeable

(1) **literate** population, (2) digitally **literate**

Being **literate** in multiple languages can open up many opportunities for travel and work.

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym : unnerve, scare, horrify

(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

continuously

adv. without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly

synonym : constantly, frequently, always

(1) use one thing **continuously**, (2) **continuously** removed

The country's domestic coal consumption has been **continuously** declining for decades.

determinant

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

outcome or result

synonym : cause, factor, element

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

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

accompany

v. to go somewhere or travel with someone or something

synonym : follow, escort, attend

(1) **accompany** a chicken dish, (2) **accompany** the book

Please let me know if you want to **accompany** me to my hometown.

responsible

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

synonym : accountable, answerable, liable

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

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

calculate

v. to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

synonym : compute, figure, estimate

(1) **calculate** the distance, (2) **calculate** his credit score

He couldn't **calculate** the actual value of the artwork.

principal

adj. most important, main, or chief

synonym : main, leading, chief

(1) **principal** actor, (2) **principal** responsible

The **principal** reason for the company's success is its innovative products.

calculator

n. a small electronic device for making arithmetic calculations

synonym : computer, machine, estimator

(1) **calculator** app, (2) analog **calculator**

I left my alpha **calculator** at home, so I had to borrow one from a classmate to finish my math homework.

needless

adj. describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences

synonym : unnecessary, pointless, superfluous

(1) **needless** argument, (2) **needless** waste

This **needless** paperwork is wasting our time and resources.

investor

n. someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

synonym : financier, banker, stockholder

(1) **investor** lawsuit, (2) a real estate **investor**

Institutional **investors** refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.

recreation

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

synonym : amusement, entertainment, refreshment

(1) outdoor **recreation**, (2) **recreation** of the homeland

Basketball is their usual **recreation** after school.

digital

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

synonym : numerical, computerized, cyber

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

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

firm

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

or company

synonym: stable, secure, steadfast

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

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

thumb

n. the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists

synonym: digit, finger, phalange

(1) **thumb** wrestling, (2) **thumb** a ride

He used his right **thumb** to press the button on his phone.

biometric

adj. relating to the measurement and analysis of unique physical or behavioral characteristics of an individual, such as fingerprints or voice patterns, often used for identification or security purposes; (noun, biometrics) the use of measurable biological characteristics or traits, such as fingerprints, facial recognition, iris scans, or voice recognition, to identify or authenticate individuals

(1) **biometric** recognition, (2) **biometrics** for visitors

The new smartphone has **biometric** authentication, such as facial recognition and fingerprint scanning.

transaction

n. an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something

synonym: trade, dealing, commerce

(1) card with no foreign **transaction** fees, (2) **transaction** balance

Electronic **transactions** remain incomplete due to system errors.

reinforce

v. to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger

synonym: strengthen, fortify, support

(1) **reinforce** the military, (2) **reinforce** good behavior

We should **reinforce** the troops at the front line.

mortgage

n. a loan secured by the collateral of a specific property, such as a house, that is repaid over a set period of time with interest; the legal agreement governing this loan

synonym : home loan, loan, lien

(1) **mortgage** payment, (2) fixed-rate **mortgage**

They were able to purchase their dream home with a **mortgage** from the bank.

precious

adj. uncommon and extremely valuable

synonym : adored, cherished, valued

(1) price of **precious** metals, (2) **precious** information

We cannot afford to squander **precious** time.

jewelry

n. decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches

synonym : accessories, ornaments, adornments

(1) **jewelry** designer, (2) precious **jewelry**

I received a beautiful piece of **jewelry** from my partner for our anniversary.

drought

n. a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation

synonym : dryness, aridity, water shortage

(1) periods of **drought**, (2) **drought** conditions

The region has been experiencing a severe **drought**, leading to water shortages and crop failures.

fodder

n. feed, such as hay or straw, for cattle and other livestock; figuratively, something that is used as material or inspiration for something else

synonym : forage, feed, provender

(1) **fodder** shortage, (2) **fodder** options

The farmer bundled the hay into **fodder** stacks for the livestock to eat.

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

synonym: banking, investment, fund

(1) **finance** act, (2) manage my **finances**

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in **finance**.

valid

adj. having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable

synonym: proper, reasonable, useful

(1) a **valid** contract, (2) a ticket **valid** for two days

Your credit card is no longer **valid**.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

cattle

n. cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals

synonym: cows, herd, oxen

(1) **cattle** barn, (2) **cattle** hide

The **cattle** are on the grassland and grazing.

extended

adj. longer than usual or anticipated

synonym: extensive, prolonged, elongated

(1) **extended** vacation, (2) **extended** payment

The **extended** airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

encourage

v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

synonym : facilitate, persuade, stimulate

(1) **encourage** a sense of affinity, (2) **encourage** antisocial behavior

They **encouraged** customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

communal

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

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

script

n. a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand

synonym : writing, penmanship, article

(1) a hand **script**, (2) the **script** of a play

The archaeologist found a hieratic Egyptian **script** on a stone monument.

jockey

n. a person who rides horses in races, typically as a professional occupation; a person who manipulates or tries to gain an advantage through skillful maneuvering or persuasion

synonym : rider, horseman, equestrian

(1) **jockey** hat, (2) professional **jockey**

The **jockey** on the winning horse was showered with praise and applause from the crowd.

invite

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

synonym : ask, request, summon

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

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

invitation

n. a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something

synonym : request, asking, proposal

(1) a letter of **invitation**, (2) **invitation** of foreign investment

I will be very happy to accept your **invitation**.

celebrity

n. someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry

synonym : figure, star, VIP

(1) baseball **celebrity**, (2) **celebrity** known worldwide

The popularity of the show made her an instant **celebrity**.

pregnant

adj. having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus

synonym : expectant

(1) needs of **pregnant** women, (2) a silence **pregnant** with suspense

She vacated the position when she got **pregnant**.

overcome

v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

synonym : beat, confound, overwhelm

(1) **overcome** opponents, (2) **overcome** all difficulties

He tried to **overcome** a bad reputation and win the election.

obstacle

n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

synonym : hindrance, barrier, block

(1) an **obstacle** to progress, (2) **obstacle** avoidance

The **obstacle** course was challenging but fun.

veterinary

adj. related to or involved in the practice of caring for animals, particularly in a medical or health-related context

synonym : animal, zoological

(1) **veterinary** services, (2) **veterinary** medicine

The **veterinary** clinic specializes in treating exotic animals.

untouchable

adj. unable to be touched or approached; beyond reach or influence; belonging to a social caste in India considered too low or impure to be touched or associated with by higher castes

synonym : unreachable, inviolable, sacrosanct

(1) **untouchable** caste, (2) **untouchable** authority

The wealthy elite in society often feels **untouchable** and above the law.

caste

n. a social class or group, typically determined by birth or occupation, that has a particular status in a society

synonym : class, social group, status group

(1) military **caste**, (2) **caste-based** discrimination

He was born into a lower **caste** and faced discrimination throughout his life.

insemination

n. the process of introducing semen into the reproductive system, typically to fertilize an egg and initiate a pregnancy

synonym : fertilization, insemination, impregnation

(1) artificial **insemination**, (2) bovine **insemination**

The couple opted for donor **insemination** after struggling with infertility.

dominate

v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

synonym : govern, rule, prevail

(1) **dominate** possession, (2) **dominate** over the weak

The perspective of his right brain **dominates** his consciousness.

profession

n. an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training

synonym : occupation, vocation, trade

(1) **profession** choice, (2) healthcare **profession**

Being a doctor is considered a highly respected **profession**.

delivery

n. the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth

synonym : sending, transporting, bringing

(1) an easy **delivery**, (2) special **delivery**

The **delivery** truck arrived with the packages.

nation

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

synonym : country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

award

n. a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement

synonym : prize, honor, accolade

(1) **award** ceremony, (2) participation **award**

He won the **award** for best actor at the film festival.

celebrate

v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

synonym : praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas

He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

congratulation

n. the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

synonym : praise, compliment, felicitation

(1) **congratulation** on a promotion, (2) a matter for **congratulation**

The **congratulations** from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.

cutout

n. a shape or outline that has been cut or carved out of a material, such as cardboard or wood; a person or thing

that has been removed or eliminated from a group or situation; a hole or gap in a fenced or barricaded area for access or viewing

synonym : silhouette, shape, form

(1) **cutout** from magazines, (2) **cutout** of flowers

The artist used a star **cutout** to make a unique art piece.

amaze

v. to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration

synonym : astound, surprise, stagger

(1) **amaze** and entertain visitors, (2) **amaze** everyone

The magician's tricks **amazed** the audience.

chai

n. a type of spiced tea originating from India, typically made with black tea, milk, and a variety of spices such as cinnamon, ginger, and cardamom

synonym : tea, masala tea, spiced tea

(1) spiced **chai**, (2) **chai** latte

I love to start my day off with a hot cup of **chai** tea.

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.

shepherd

n. a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

synonym : herder, flock-keeper, sheepdog

(1) **shepherd** boy, (2) sheep without a **shepherd**

The **shepherd's** dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.

glance

v. to give a quick or brief look; to hit something at an angle

synonym : glimpse, peek, flash

(1) **glance** around nervously, (2) **glance** at him miserably
I casually **glanced** into the small hut.

exchange

v. to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

synonym: trade, swap, interchange

(1) **exchange** rate, (2) **exchange** a few friendly words
My sister and I frequently **exchange** books, as we love reading.

dedicate

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

synonym: consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

micro

n. extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth

(1) **micro** bubble, (2) **micro** force sensor

This approach employs both **micro** and macro analysis methods.

entrepreneur

n. an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks

synonym: founder, executive

(1) a successful **entrepreneur**, (2) billionaire **entrepreneur**
Entrepreneurs willingly accept business risks to achieve success.

Session 2: Spelling

1. pr_____al actor *adj.* most important, main, or chief
2. unt_____le authority *adj.* unable to be touched or approached; beyond reach or influence; belonging to a social caste in India considered too low or impure to be touched or associated with by higher castes
3. mi__o force sensor *n.* extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth
4. the threats te_____y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
5. or_____ry annual revenue *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
6. a dy_____c market *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
7. software li_____e *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
8. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

ANSWERS: 1. principal, 2. untouchable, 3. micro, 4. terrify, 5. ordinary, 6. dynamic, 7. license, 8. inspire

9. f__m grip *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
10. c__i latte *n.* a type of spiced tea originating from India, typically made with black tea, milk, and a variety of spices such as cinnamon, ginger, and cardamom
11. ho____y victims *v.* to shock or disgust greatly
12. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
13. price of pr____us metals *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
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15. re_____e a concert ticket *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
16. li_____te population *adj.* having the ability to read and write; possessing knowledge or understanding of a particular subject or topic
17. a det_____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
18. military ca__e *n.* a social class or group, typically determined by birth or occupation, that has a particular status in a society

ANSWERS: 9. firm, 10. chai, 11. horrify, 12. incredible, 13. precious, 14. continuously, 15. reserve, 16. literate, 17. determinant, 18. caste

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| 19. re___t the proposal | v. | to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone |
| 20. participation aw__d | n. | a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement |
| 21. am__e and entertain visitors | v. | to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration |
| 22. pr_____e bad behavior | v. | to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank |
| 23. pr_____e a better relationship | v. | to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank |
| 24. en_____ge a sense of affinity | v. | to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do |
| 25. re_____ce the military | v. | to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger |
| 26. re___e a request | v. | to show that one is not willing to do or accept something |
| 27. cal_____or app | n. | a small electronic device for making arithmetic calculations |
| 28. de___e a question | v. | to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options |

ANSWERS: 19. reject, 20. award, 21. amaze, 22. promote, 23. promote, 24. encourage, 25. reinforce, 26. refuse, 27. calculator, 28. decide

29. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
30. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
31. spiced c__i *n.* a type of spiced tea originating from India, typically made with black tea, milk, and a variety of spices such as cinnamon, ginger, and cardamom
32. special de____ry *n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth
33. tra_____on balance *n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
34. je_____y designer *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
35. ov_____me opponents *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
36. a letter of inv_____on *n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
37. sh_____rd boy *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

ANSWERS: 29. degree, 30. invite, 31. chai, 32. delivery, 33. transaction, 34. jewelry, 35. overcome, 36. invitation, 37. shepherd

38. in_____nt tone *adj.* characterized by a persistent and forceful demand or urging; unyielding or uncompromising in one's position or viewpoint; persistent in pursuit of a goal or objective
39. a va__d contract *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
40. inv_____on of foreign investment *n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
41. accounting f__m *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
42. ca_____te his credit score *v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics
43. de_____te a few hours *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
44. unt_____le caste *adj.* unable to be touched or approached; beyond reach or influence; belonging to a social caste in India considered too low or impure to be touched or associated with by higher castes
45. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 38. insistent, 39. valid, 40. invitation, 41. firm, 42. calculate, 43. dedicate, 44. untouchable, 45. movement

46. ac_____ny a chicken dish *v.* to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
47. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
48. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
49. fo___r shortage *n.* feed, such as hay or straw, for cattle and other livestock; figuratively, something that is used as material or inspiration for something else
50. a hand sc____t *n.* a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
51. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
52. rec_____on of the homeland *n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place
53. the ex_____re of a fraud *n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
54. a ha_____me salary *adj.* physically attractive and pleasing in appearance; attractive and generous
55. mental co_____e *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

ANSWERS: 46. accompany, 47. responsible, 48. incredible, 49. fodder, 50. script, 51. extraordinary, 52. recreation, 53. exposure, 54. handsome, 55. courage

56. ho____y audience *v.* to shock or disgust greatly
57. mo____n season *n.* a seasonal wind system that brings heavy rainfall to a region, typically occurring in tropical areas
58. fixed-rate mo____ge *n.* a loan secured by the collateral of a specific property, such as a house, that is repaid over a set period of time with interest; the legal agreement governing this loan
59. a ticket va__d for two days *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
60. healthcare pro____on *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
61. a southern ex____re *n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
62. bla____th welding *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
63. ce____ty known worldwide *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
64. an easy de____ry *n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth
65. in____e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

ANSWERS: 56. horrify, 57. monsoon, 58. mortgage, 59. valid, 60. profession, 61. exposure, 62. blacksmith, 63. celebrity, 64. delivery, 65. invite

66. di____l electronic signature *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
67. aw__d ceremony *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
68. cu____t from magazines *n.* a shape or outline that has been cut or carved out of a material, such as cardboard or wood; a person or thing that has been removed or eliminated from a group or situation; a hole or gap in a fenced or barricaded area for access or viewing
69. gl___e around nervously *v.* to give a quick or brief look; to hit something at an angle
70. con_____ion on a promotion *n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another
71. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
72. ex____ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

ANSWERS: 66. digital, 67. award, 68. cutout, 69. glance, 70. congratulation, 71. government, 72. exchange

73. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
74. an or____ry school *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
75. people in ru__l areas *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
76. lack of hu____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
77. th__b wrestling *n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
78. professional jo____y *n.* a person who rides horses in races, typically as a professional occupation; a person who manipulates or tries to gain an advantage through skillful maneuvering or persuasion
79. vet____ry services *adj.* related to or involved in the practice of caring for animals, particularly in a medical or health-related context
80. a fountain of wi____m *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
81. dy____c person *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
82. ca____e barn *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals

ANSWERS: 73. decide, 74. ordinary, 75. rural, 76. humility, 77. thumb, 78. jockey, 79. veterinary, 80. wisdom, 81. dynamic, 82. cattle

83. mi__o bubble *n.* extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth
84. ca__e-based discrimination *n.* a social class or group, typically determined by birth or occupation, that has a particular status in a society
85. ex_____ge a few friendly words *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
86. fo___r options *n.* feed, such as hay or straw, for cattle and other livestock; figuratively, something that is used as material or inspiration for something else
87. an ob_____le to progress *n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
88. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
89. gr__t a new license *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
90. a successful ent_____eur *n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
91. billionaire ent_____eur *n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
92. pro_____on choice *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training

ANSWERS: 83. micro, 84. caste, 85. exchange, 86. fodder, 87. obstacle, 88. communal, 89. grant, 90. entrepreneur, 91. entrepreneur, 92. profession

93. bi_____ic recognition *adj.* relating to the measurement and analysis of unique physical or behavioral characteristics of an individual, such as fingerprints or voice patterns, often used for identification or security purposes; (noun, biometrics) the use of measurable biological characteristics or traits, such as fingerprints, facial recognition, iris scans, or voice recognition, to identify or authenticate individuals
94. precious je_____y *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
95. bla_____th shop *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
96. sheep without a sh_____rd *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
97. na_____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
98. mo_____ge payment *n.* a loan secured by the collateral of a specific property, such as a house, that is repaid over a set period of time with interest; the legal agreement governing this loan
99. ex_____ed vacation *adj.* longer than usual or anticipated
100. wi_____m literature *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions

ANSWERS: 93. biometric, 94. jewelry, 95. blacksmith, 96. shepherd, 97. nation, 98. mortgage, 99. extended, 100. wisdom

101. bovine ins_____ion *n.* the process of introducing semen into the reproductive system, typically to fertilize an egg and initiate a pregnancy
102. analog cal_____or *n.* a small electronic device for making arithmetic calculations
103. ru__l accents *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
104. digitally li_____te *adj.* having the ability to read and write; possessing knowledge or understanding of a particular subject or topic
105. ed_____ed speech *adj.* having received a high standard of education
106. needs of pr_____nt women *adj.* having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus
107. jo_____y hat *n.* a person who rides horses in races, typically as a professional occupation; a person who manipulates or tries to gain an advantage through skillful maneuvering or persuasion
108. ce_____te his election *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
109. ed_____ed adult *adj.* having received a high standard of education
110. a silence pr_____nt with suspense *adj.* having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus
111. re_____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

ANSWERS: 101. insemination, 102. calculator, 103. rural, 104. literate, 105. educated, 106. pregnant, 107. jockey, 108. celebrate, 109. educated, 110. pregnant, 111. represent

112. a ha_____me young man *adj.* physically attractive and pleasing in appearance; attractive and generous
113. a real estate in_____or *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
114. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
115. pr_____al responsible *adj.* most important, main, or chief
116. in_____or lawsuit *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
117. develop an attitude of hu_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
118. ne_____ss waste *adj.* describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences
119. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
120. bi_____ics for visitors *adj.* relating to the measurement and analysis of unique physical or behavioral characteristics of an individual, such as fingerprints or voice patterns, often used for identification or security purposes; (noun, biometrics) the use of measurable biological characteristics or traits, such as fingerprints, facial recognition, iris scans, or voice recognition, to identify or authenticate individuals

ANSWERS: 112. handsome, 113. investor, 114. inspire, 115. principal, 116. investor, 117. humility, 118. needless, 119. responsible, 120. biometric

121. fi_____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
122. ov_____me all difficulties *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
123. ca_____e hide *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
124. re_____e the right *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
125. card with no foreign tra_____on fees *n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
126. gl_____e at him miserably *v.* to give a quick or brief look; to hit something at an angle
127. periods of dr_____t *n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
128. vet_____ry medicine *adj.* related to or involved in the practice of caring for animals, particularly in a medical or health-related context
129. de_____te a chapter to the subject *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

ANSWERS: 121. finance, 122. overcome, 123. cattle, 124. reserve, 125. transaction, 126. glance, 127. drought, 128. veterinary, 129. dedicate

130. the sc___t of a play *n.* a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
131. bachelor's de___e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
132. the characters that re_____nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
133. to___t paper *n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
134. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
135. do_____te over the weak *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
136. a su_____y for research *n.* money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen
137. con_____sly removed *adv.* without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly
138. ex_____ed payment *adj.* longer than usual or anticipated
139. gr__t a land *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
140. re___e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
141. a matter for con_____ion *n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

ANSWERS: 130. script, 131. degree, 132. represent, 133. toilet, 134. government, 135. dominate, 136. subsidy, 137. continuously, 138. extended, 139. grant, 140. refuse, 141. congratulation

142. pr____us information *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
143. ac_____ny the book *v.* to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
144. ob_____le avoidance *n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
145. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
146. baseball ce_____ty *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
147. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
148. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
149. to____t seat *n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
150. inspire co_____e *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
151. th__b a ride *n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
152. a di_____l watch *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

ANSWERS: 142. precious, 143. accompany, 144. obstacle, 145. movement, 146. celebrity, 147. nation, 148. communal, 149. toilet, 150. courage, 151. thumb, 152. digital

153. mo____n current *n.* a seasonal wind system that brings heavy rainfall to a region, typically occurring in tropical areas
154. do____te possession *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
155. cu____t of flowers *n.* a shape or outline that has been cut or carved out of a material, such as cardboard or wood; a person or thing that has been removed or eliminated from a group or situation; a hole or gap in a fenced or barricaded area for access or viewing
156. li____e renewal *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
157. te____y people *v.* to frighten someone very much
158. inefficient fossil fuel su____y *n.* money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen
159. ca____te the distance *v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics
160. an op____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 153. monsoon, 154. dominate, 155. cutout, 156. license, 157. terrify, 158. subsidy, 159. calculate, 160. opportune

161. re___t all imperfect merchandise *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
162. outdoor rec_____on *n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place
163. re_____ce good behavior *v.* to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger
164. in_____nt demand *adj.* characterized by a persistent and forceful demand or urging; unyielding or uncompromising in one's position or viewpoint; persistent in pursuit of a goal or objective
165. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
166. dr_____t conditions *n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
167. en_____ge antisocial behavior *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
168. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

ANSWERS: 161. reject, 162. recreation, 163. reinforce, 164. insistent, 165. extraordinary, 166. drought, 167. encourage, 168. determinant

169. manage my fi_____es
- n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
170. artificial ins_____ion
- n.* the process of introducing semen into the reproductive system, typically to fertilize an egg and initiate a pregnancy
171. op_____ne occasion
- adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
172. am__e everyone
- v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
173. ce_____te Christmas
- v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
174. ne_____ss argument
- adj.* describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences

ANSWERS: 169. finance, 170. insemination, 171. opportune, 172. amaze, 173. celebrate, 174. needless

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. They were able to purchase their dream home with a _____ from the bank.
n. a loan secured by the collateral of a specific property, such as a house, that is repaid over a set period of time with interest; the legal agreement governing this loan

2. I received a beautiful piece of _____ from my partner for our anniversary.
n. decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches

3. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

4. The _____ clinic specializes in treating exotic animals.
adj. related to or involved in the practice of caring for animals, particularly in a medical or health-related context

5. The _____ are on the grassland and grazing.
n. cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals

6. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.
v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

7. The _____ course was challenging but fun.
n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

ANSWERS: 1. mortgage, 2. jewelry, 3. inspired, 4. veterinary, 5. cattle, 6. celebrated, 7. obstacle

8. He won the _____ for best actor at the film festival.
n. a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
9. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
10. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.
adj. unbelievable; enormous
11. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.
v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
12. Excellent speech is a characteristic of an _____ man.
adj. having received a high standard of education
13. The perspective of his right brain _____ his consciousness.
v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
14. The new smartphone has _____ authentication, such as facial recognition and fingerprint scanning.
adj. relating to the measurement and analysis of unique physical or behavioral characteristics of an individual, such as fingerprints or voice patterns, often used for identification or security purposes; (noun, biometrics) the use of measurable biological characteristics or traits, such as fingerprints, facial recognition, iris scans, or voice recognition, to identify or authenticate individuals
15. This approach employs both _____ and macro analysis methods.
n. extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth

ANSWERS: 8. award, 9. opportune, 10. incredible, 11. rejected, 12. educated, 13. dominates, 14. biometric, 15. micro

16. Being a doctor is considered a highly respected _____.
- n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
17. The couple opted for donor _____ after struggling with infertility.
- n.* the process of introducing semen into the reproductive system, typically to fertilize an egg and initiate a pregnancy
18. She vacated the position when she got _____.
- adj.* having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus
19. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.
- v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
20. We should _____ the troops at the front line.
- v.* to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger
21. The _____ on the winning horse was showered with praise and applause from the crowd.
- n.* a person who rides horses in races, typically as a professional occupation; a person who manipulates or tries to gain an advantage through skillful maneuvering or persuasion
22. The _____ truck arrived with the packages.
- n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth
23. It takes a lot of _____ to stand up for what you believe is right.
- n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

ANSWERS: 16. profession, 17. insemination, 18. pregnant, 19. invite, 20. reinforce, 21. jockey, 22. delivery, 23. courage

24. The sprinter has a _____ way of running.

adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

25. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

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

26. He was born into a lower _____ and faced discrimination throughout his life.

n. a social class or group, typically determined by birth or occupation, that has a particular status in a society

27. I casually _____ into the small hut.

v. to give a quick or brief look; to hit something at an angle

28. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

29. 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

30. The region has been experiencing a severe _____ leading to water shortages and crop failures.

n. a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation

ANSWERS: 24. dynamic, 25. responsible, 26. caste, 27. glanced, 28. finance, 29. government, 30. drought,

31. 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

32. The _____ airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

- adj.* longer than usual or anticipated

33. This _____ paperwork is wasting our time and resources.

- adj.* describing something unnecessary, pointless, or superfluous and could be avoided without any harm or adverse consequences

34. He couldn't _____ the actual value of the artwork.

- v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

35. The artist used a star _____ to make a unique art piece.

- n.* a shape or outline that has been cut or carved out of a material, such as cardboard or wood; a person or thing that has been removed or eliminated from a group or situation; a hole or gap in a fenced or barricaded area for access or viewing

36. She walked to the _____ to freshen up before the meeting.

- n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture

37. The _____ chatter from the other room made it impossible for her to focus on her work.

- adj.* characterized by a persistent and forceful demand or urging; unyielding or uncompromising in one's position or viewpoint; persistent in pursuit of a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 31. represent, 32. extended, 33. needless, 34. calculate, 35. cutout, 36. toilet, 37. insistent

38. The _____ deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.
adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
39. The series of terrorist attacks _____ the entire nation.
v. to shock or disgust greatly
40. The country's domestic coal consumption has been _____ declining for decades.
adv. without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly
41. The _____ session of the Diet opened.
adj. not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
42. The popularity of the show made her an instant _____.
n. someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
43. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.
adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
44. Basketball is their usual _____ after school.
n. the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place
45. The government should do more to _____ sustainable agribusiness.
v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

ANSWERS: 38. firm, 39. horrify, 40. continuously, 41. ordinary, 42. celebrity, 43. extraordinary, 44. recreation, 45. promote

46. He tried to _____ a bad reputation and win the election.
- v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
47. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
- n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
48. The archaeologist found a hieratic Egyptian _____ on a stone monument.
- n. a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
49. I love to start my day off with a hot cup of _____ tea.
- n. a type of spiced tea originating from India, typically made with black tea, milk, and a variety of spices such as cinnamon, ginger, and cardamom
50. The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's _____.
- n. the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
51. Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's _____.
- n. an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
52. The chairperson _____ him the right to speak.
- v. to agree to give or allow somebody
53. The long _____ to the air tarnished the antique tableware.
- n. the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret

ANSWERS: 46. overcome, 47. movement, 48. script, 49. chai, 50. wisdom, 51. license, 52. granted, 53. exposure

54. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.
v. to frighten someone very much
55. Your credit card is no longer _____.
adj. having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
56. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
57. The magician's tricks _____ the audience.
v. to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
58. The _____ shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.
n. a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
59. The government provided a considerable _____ to the company.
n. money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen
60. My initial reaction was to _____.
v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
61. He used his right _____ to press the button on his phone.
n. the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
62. The _____ reason for the company's success is its innovative products.
adj. most important, main, or chief

ANSWERS: 54. terrify, 55. valid, 56. nation, 57. amazed, 58. blacksmith, 59. subsidy, 60. refuse, 61. thumb, 62. principal

63. The wealthy elite in society often feels _____ and above the law.
adj. unable to be touched or approached; beyond reach or influence; belonging to a social caste in India considered too low or impure to be touched or associated with by higher castes
64. I left my alpha _____ at home, so I had to borrow one from a classmate to finish my math homework.
n. a small electronic device for making arithmetic calculations
65. They _____ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.
v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
66. The _____ dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.
n. a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
67. _____ willingly accept business risks to achieve success.
n. an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
68. Please let me know if you want to _____ me to my hometown.
v. to go somewhere or travel with someone or something
69. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
70. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

ANSWERS: 63. untouchable, 64. calculator, 65. encouraged, 66. shepherd's, 67. Entrepreneurs, 68. accompany, 69. decide, 70. determinant

71. Many _____ areas are still impoverished.

adj. of or relating to the countryside

72. The farmer bundled the hay into _____ stacks for the livestock to eat.

n. feed, such as hay or straw, for cattle and other livestock; figuratively, something that is used as material or inspiration for something else

73. You can easily _____ seats over the telephone.

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

74. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

75. The politician was known for his _____ appearance and charm.

adj. physically attractive and pleasing in appearance; attractive and generous

76. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.

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

77. Being _____ in multiple languages can open up many opportunities for travel and work.

adj. having the ability to read and write; possessing knowledge or understanding of a particular subject or topic

78. The _____ from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.

n. the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

ANSWERS: 71. rural, 72. fodder, 73. reserve, 74. Communal, 75. handsome, 76. digital, 77. literate, 78. congratulations

79. The _____ rains often bring relief to areas suffering from drought.
n. a seasonal wind system that brings heavy rainfall to a region, typically occurring in tropical areas
80. We were filled with _____ at the sight of the Queen.
n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
81. We cannot afford to squander _____ time.
adj. uncommon and extremely valuable
82. He _____ his life to helping others.
v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
83. I will be very happy to accept your _____.
n. a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
84. My sister and I frequently _____ books, as we love reading.
v. to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
85. Institutional _____ refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.
n. someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
86. Electronic _____ remain incomplete due to system errors.
n. an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something

ANSWERS: 79. monsoon, 80. humility, 81. precious, 82. dedicated, 83. invitation, 84. exchange, 85. investors, 86. transactions

87. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.

- n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

ANSWERS: 87. degree