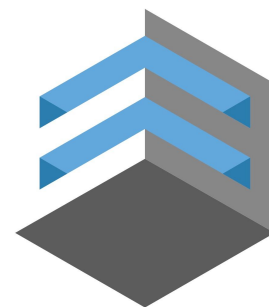


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Session 1: Word List

province

n. the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation

synonym : area, section, region

(1) Bengal **province**, (2) home **province**

A network of railways has developed over the **province**.

app

n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

synonym : application, software

(1) killer **app**, (2) cannot log in to the **app**

The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the **app's** release.

background

n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

synonym : ground, experience, backdrop

(1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

particulate

adj. consisting of small particles, especially those that are suspended in a fluid or air

synonym : granular, dusty

(1) **particulate** size, (2) **particulate** pollution

Smoke from forest fires is causing an increase in **particulate** matter in the air.

pollution

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

synonym : corrosion, deterioration, corruption

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

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

chart

n. a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea

synonym : diagram, graph, map

(1) a weather **chart**, (2) a statistical **chart**

This pie **chart** represents our market share.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym : insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

embassy

n. the diplomatic building where a country's representatives to a foreign country are based

synonym : consulate, mission, legation

(1) **embassy** staff, (2) **embassy** function

The **embassy** building was heavily guarded by security personnel.

tweet

n. a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

synonym : peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

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

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

denizen

n. an inhabitant or resident of a particular place; a person, animal, or plant that is frequently found or is characteristic of a particular region or environment

synonym: inhabitant, resident, occupant

(1) internet **denizen**, (2) waterfront **denizen**

The lake is known for its **denizens** of various fish species.

disconnect

v. to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment

synonym: unplug, detach, take apart

(1) **disconnect** a plug, (2) **disconnect** the water supply

She finally decided to **disconnect** herself from the company.

statistics

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

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

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

environment

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

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

awaken

v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping

synonym: rouse, arouse, revive

(1) **awaken** at daybreak, (2) **awaken** a child

The friend's death **awakens** them.

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.

tackle

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
synonym: deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change
The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

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.

trend

n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing

synonym: direction, movement, tendency

(1) an international **trend**, (2) the **trend** away from television
The oil price continued their downward **trend**.

witness

n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident

synonym: onlooker, attestant, bystander

(1) **witness** of the car accident, (2) a material **witness**
The manufacturing industry is **witnessing** fierce competition.

evolution

n. a gradual process of transformation of living things

synonym: elaboration, expansion, transition

(1) human **evolution**, (2) **evolution** theory
They study the **evolution** of the universe.

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.

fieldwork

n. real-world research or study conducted outside a library or laboratory.

(1) meticulous **fieldwork**, (2) perform **fieldwork**

Numerous instances from **fieldwork** show these hypotheses in great detail.

skeptical

adj. doubting that something is accurate or useful

synonym: doubtful, distrustful, suspicious

(1) a **skeptical** attitude, (2) **skeptical** scientists

His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly **skeptical**.

policy

n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

synonym: strategy, plan, guideline

(1) health **policy**, (2) foreign **policy**

The company's new **policy** on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

politically

adv. in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation

(1) **politically** advantageous, (2) become **politically** savvy

This newspaper is supposed to be **politically** neutral.

sensitive

adj. able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do

synonym: exposed, susceptible, keen

(1) **sensitive** documents, (2) baby with **sensitive** skin

The teacher is very **sensitive** to children's feelings.

transparency

n. the condition or quality of being easy to see through

synonym: clearness, clarity, translucence

(1) lack of **transparency**, (2) **transparency** during the trials

The main discussion topic is government **transparency**.

awareness

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

synonym : understanding, cognition, knowledge

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

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

crop

n. a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

synonym : output, produce, product

(1) **crop** field, (2) **crop** herbicide

Sow early for an early **crop**.

purify

v. to remove harmful substances from something and increase the concentration of it

synonym : refine, filter, clarify

(1) **purify** hydrogen gas, (2) **purify** the blood

The equipment is frequently used to **purify** and distribute drinking water.

filter

n. any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light

synonym : strainer

(1) gas **filter**, (2) clogged **filter**

Ozone is a primary **filter** to protect Earth's surface from harmful UV rays.

adopt

v. to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

synonym : accept, assume, take on

(1) **adopt** a child, (2) **adopt** a bill

The national assembly has **adopted** the budget.

festival

n. a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving

processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works

synonym: fair, holiday, celebration

(1) **festival** attendee, (2) international film **festival**

The music **festival** attracts visitors from all over the world.

banner

n. a long strip of cloth or paper bearing a symbol, logo, slogan, or another message, especially carried in a demonstration or procession or hung in a public place; a form of the online advertisement appearing on a web page

synonym: flag, pennant, advertisement

(1) the star-spangled **banner**, (2) **banner** advertising

They unfurled the **banners** in preparation for the ceremony.

advertise

v. to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it

synonym: publicize, announce, promote

(1) **advertise** the campaign, (2) **advertise** on social media

We want to **advertise** our company through your media.

retreat

n. the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life

synonym: escape, withdrawal, vacation

(1) **retreat** deeper into their territory, (2) **retreat** in a mountain region

Many people go on a **retreat** to recharge and reconnect with themselves.

par

n. a state of being equal to someone or something

synonym: equality, standard, balance

(1) above **par** performance, (2) not up to **par**

Shares in the company finally fell below their **par** value.

bureau

n. an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information

synonym: agency, department, office

(1) **bureau** of statistics, (2) travel **bureau**

I went to the **bureau** of motor vehicles to renew my driver's license.

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.

mascot

n. a person, animal, or object that is believed to bring good luck, often adopted by a sports team or organization as a symbol of their identity or values

synonym: symbol, emblem, icon

(1) team **mascot**, (2) corporate **mascot**

The city's **mascot** is a famous landmark that attracts tourists.

index

n. a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

synonym: list, directory, indicator

(1) a full-text **index**, (2) health **index**

The stock market **index** measures the performance of a group of stocks.

communicate

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

synonym: convey, share, transmit

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

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

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

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.

documentary

n. a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents

synonym: film, broadcast, doco

(1) a **documentary** film, (2) **documentary** proof

He won an award for that short **documentary**.

dome

n. a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base

synonym: hemisphere, cupola, vaults

(1) snow **dome**, (2) **dome** structure

The cathedral **dome** soared high above, its stained-glass windows casting colorful light on the altar below.

liken

v. to compare something or someone to something or someone else to emphasize similarity or likeness; to describe or represent something as being like something else in some way

synonym: compare, equate, analogize

(1) **liken** to a flower, (2) **liken** to a bird

Some people **liken** meditation to a mental shower, refreshing and rejuvenating the mind.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym: quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

pesticide

n. a substance used for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest

synonym : insecticide, herbicide, fungicide

(1) **pesticide** application, (2) **pesticide** residue

The farmer sprayed **pesticide** on his crops to protect them from insects.

conscious

adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

synonym : aware, cognizant, deliberate

(1) **conscious** effort, (2) **conscious** of having succeeded

He became **conscious** that he was being followed.

premature

adj. occurring or done too early; happening before the appropriate time; born before the end of a full-term pregnancy

synonym : prematurely born, untimely, early

(1) **premature** birth, (2) **premature** death

The **premature** baby was small but healthy.

garner

v. to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention

synonym : acquire, collect, obtain

(1) **garner** good reviews, (2) **garner** attention

He used his charm and charisma to **garner** support for his campaign.

incite

v. to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive

synonym : provoke, stimulate, encourage

(1) **incite** violence, (2) **incite** rebellion

The politician's speech seemed designed to **incite** anger and unrest among the crowd.

unrest

n. a state of agitation or disturbance; lack of calm or peace

synonym : disturbance, agitation, turmoil

(1) **unrest** in the city, (2) cause **unrest**

The recent political **unrest** in the country has led to widespread protests and civil disobedience.

damage

v. to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity

synonym: harm, impair, injure

(1) **damage** a relationship, (2) **damage** assessment

During the surgery, the doctor had to be extremely cautious not to **damage** a blood vessel.

outcry

n. a strong expression of public protest, anger, or dissent

synonym: protest, objection, dissent

(1) a great **outcry**, (2) national **outcry**

The **outcry** against the new policy was heard loud and clear by the government.

galvanize

v. to stimulate or shock someone into taking action; to cover metal containing zinc to protect it from rust

synonym: energize, invigorate, motivate

(1) **galvanize** steel, (2) **galvanize** the country

The motivational speech **galvanized** the team and gave them the drive to succeed.

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**.

decisive

adj. making a clear and definite decision or choice; settling an issue

synonym: final, conclusive, unambiguous

(1) a **decisive** ballot, (2) **decisive** action

The **decisive** victory in the war ended years of conflict.

electrify

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

synonym: wire, amaze, astonish

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

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

coal

n. a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock
that is found below the ground and burnt to produce
heat

synonym: ember

(1) a **coal-fired** ship, (2) construction of new **coal** plants

We combust **coal** and other fossil fuels to generate
electricity.

wage

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

synonym: payment, compensation, salary

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

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

consumption

n. the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a
resource such as energy, food, or materials

synonym: usage, uptake, utilization

(1) average fuel **consumption**, (2) the **consumption** of
food

In our country, water **consumption** usually decreases during
the winter.

cancel

v. to decide that a previously scheduled activity will not
take place

synonym: abort, invalidate, annul

(1) **cancel** a class, (2) **cancel** a free subscription trial
When customers **cancel** their reservations, they lose the deposit they made.

enormous

adj. extremely large or great

synonym: huge, giant, gigantic

(1) **enormous** amount, (2) **enormous** potential
Shakespeare's output of poetry was **enormous**.

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.

renewable

adj. capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced

synonym: sustainable, replaceable

(1) **renewable** energy, (2) **renewable** subscriptions

The production of **renewable** fuels requires massive volumes of fresh water.

hydropower

n. electricity generated from the energy of moving water, usually using turbines and dams in rivers or other bodies of water

synonym: hydroelectricity, waterpower, hydro

(1) **hydropower** plant, (2) **hydropower** energy

Many countries around the world have built dams to harness the power of **hydropower** for their energy needs.

pace

n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

synonym: gait, rate, speed

(1) at your own **pace**, (2) the runner's **pace**

The economy is growing at a supercharged **pace**.

transformation

n. a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something

synonym: change, conversion, renewal

(1) the **transformation** of a tadpole into a frog, (2) cast a **transformation** spell

Understanding unitary **transformations** of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.

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.

mind-blowing

adj. extremely impressive in a way that affects someone's mind or emotions

synonym: amazing, incredible, shocking

(1) **mind-blowing** discovery, (2) a **mind-blowing** horror story

The **mind-blowing** effects of the psychedelic drug were unlike anything he had ever experienced.

dam

n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

synonym: barricade, barrier, embankment

(1) **dam-building** program, (2) **dam** collapsing

The break in the **dam** threatened the valley.

crush

v. to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller

synonym: destroy, demolish, pulverize

(1) **crush** coffee beans, (2) **crush** a revolt

The car was completely **crushed** in the accident.

install

v. to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position

synonym : establish, inaugurate, lodge

(1) **install** a door, (2) **install** a chairperson

The new president was **installed** immediately after the national election.

watt

n. a standard unit for measuring electrical power

(1) 30- **watt** light bulb, (2) **watt** per square meter

Several hectares of land are needed to generate more than 1-mega **watt** solar power.

rev

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym : revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

upward

adv. toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher place

synonym : skyward, uphill

(1) look **upward**, (2) demonstrate an **upward** trend

The company adjusted the revenue **upward**.

whopping

adj. extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock

synonym : enormous, gigantic, massive

(1) **whopping** price, (2) **whopping** success

The new smartphone has a **whopping** 1TB of storage space.

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

synonym : coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,

(2) **combine** augmented reality

Hydrogen and oxygen **combine** to form water.

verify

v. to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct

synonym: affirm, ascertain, confirm

(1) **verify** a document, (2) **verify** identity

We always **verify** all critical information independently.

remarkable

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

synonym: outstanding, exceptional, extraordinary

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

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

start-up

n. a newly established company or business

(1) **start-up** business, (2) early-stage **start-up**

Our company's services are targeted at **start-up** executives.

slide

v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

synonym: glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance

If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

darn

v. to mend a piece of clothing by sewing over a hole or tear with small, tight stitches

synonym: mend, repair, patch

(1) **darn** stockings, (2) **darn** hole

I have to **darn** these socks before they become unwearable.

reduction

n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree

synonym: diminution, decrease, cutback

(1) **reduction** strategy, (2) a gradual **reduction**

The **reduction** in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.

climate

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

synonym : atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change

Climate and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

carbon

n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

(1) **carbon** dioxide, (2) **carbon** emission

Trees absorb **carbon** dioxide and give off oxygen.

footprint

n. a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

synonym : footmark, imprint, impression

(1) **footprints** in the snow, (2) the **footprints** of an earlier civilization

We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon **footprint**.

peak

n. the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain

synonym : summit, vertex, apex

(1) at **peak** hour, (2) the **peak** current in the circuit

This measurement aims to reduce traffic at **peak** periods.

announce

v. to make something known or officially inform people about something

synonym : disclose, declare, broadcast

(1) **announce** candidacy, (2) **announce** the award winners

The third season of the anime show has been **announced**.

achieve

v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

synonym : accomplish, attain, reach

(1) **achieve** success, (2) **achieve** milestones

I will work hard to **achieve** my goals and realize my dreams.

pledge

v. to make a formal promise to give or do something
synonym: promise, assure, guarantee

(1) **pledge** my fidelity, (2) **pledge** military assistance

At this ceremony, We will **pledge** allegiance to the country's flag.

schedule

n. a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

synonym: agenda, program, itinerary

(1) a heavy **schedule**, (2) arrange my **schedule**

So far, the meeting is going according to **schedule**.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

(1) **improve** a process, (2) **improve** the test score

We want to **improve** ties between our two countries.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

synonym: reference, allude, cite

(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report

I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

temper

n. a person's state of mind, emotions, or attitude; a tendency to become angry or excited easily; the elasticity and hardness of a metal object

synonym: mood, disposition, nature

(1) a hasty **temper**, (2) bridle my **temper**

The **temper** of the steel needs to be just right to ensure the product's durability.

optimism

n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

synonym : positiveness, sanguinity, bullishness

(1) sense of **optimism**, (2) political **optimism**

There is considerable **optimism** that the economy will recover soon.

caution

n. great care and attention that you take to avoid danger or mistakes; a warning against certain acts

synonym : carefulness, warning, notice

(1) extreme **caution**, (2) act with **caution**

He gave a stern **caution** to the naughty student.

largely

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

synonym : mainly, chiefly, broadly

(1) **largely** accepted, (2) **largely** mitigate the issue

Nevada is **largely** a desert state.

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.

roughly

adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

synonym : approximately, more or less, around

(1) **roughly** explain my idea, (2) **roughly** speaking

Five miles is **roughly** similar to eight kilometers.

steady

adj. firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving

synonym : stable, solid, secure

(1) **steady** increase, (2) take a **steady** job

The patient's vital signs are **steady**, indicating a stable condition.

emission

n. the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
synonym : emanation, radiation, discharge

(1) global **emissions** of greenhouse gases, (2) the **emission** of light

There are five distinct **emissions** at five unique wavelengths.

fossil

n. any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock

synonym : relic, remnant, antediluvian

(1) burning of **fossil** fuels, (2) a **fossil** leaf

It was the **fossil** of a dinosaur tooth.

fuel

n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy

synonym : energy, power, gas

(1) biomass **fuel**, (2) smokeless **fuel**

The **fuel** scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

murky

adj. dark and gloomy or difficult to see through

synonym : dim, fuzzy, foggy

(1) **murky** waters, (2) a **murky** dungeon

Prospects for the suspect's conviction are **murky** due to a lack of helpful evidence.

regularly

adv. at regular intervals or times

synonym : repeatedly, routinely, usually

(1) **regularly** arranged, (2) post **regularly** to a blog

This site **regularly** shares high-quality academic materials.

revise

v. to examine and make corrections or alterations to the idea, piece of writing, etc. to improve it

synonym : alter, revamp, modify

(1) **revise** the plan, (2) **revise** his belief

The prediction method has been **revised** drastically.

debate

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

synonym : argument, discussion, dispute

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

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

twit

n. a silly or foolish person; someone regarded as annoying or irritating

synonym : fool, idiot, imbecile

(1) celebrity **twit**, (2) neighborhood **twit**

Please ignore that **twit** on social media; their opinions are irrelevant.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym : comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors

Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close **relatives**.

stable

adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

synonym : sturdy, unmoving, durable

(1) in **stable** condition, (2) have a **stable** job

Relations between the two countries have been relatively **stable** due to the summit meeting.

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.

experiment

n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

synonym: experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

dock

n. a structure or platform that extends from the shoreline into a body of water, used for loading and unloading ships or boats; an enclosed area of water used as a basin for shipping or pleasure boats; a place where a ship can be repaired or maintained

synonym: harbor, pier, quay

(1) fishing **dock**, (2) loading **dock**

The ship pulled to the **dock**, and we disembarked to start our adventure.

hail

v. to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky

synonym: greet, salute, welcome

(1) **hail** the victorious team with cheers, (2) **hail** forecast

People in the area were forced to **hail** a taxi due to the lack of public transportation options.

sustainable

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

synonym: continuable, enduring, tolerable

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

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

transport

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
synonym: shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**

Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

graveyard

n. a cemetery, especially one in a churchyard
synonym: cemetery, burial ground, churchyard

(1) **graveyard** of life, (2) bodies in a **graveyard**

The ancestral **graveyard** was peaceful, with rows of headstones and tall trees.

tale

n. a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

synonym: canard, fiction, fable

(1) a fairy **tale**, (2) **tale** of horror

Ghosts in folk **tales** are almost always malicious.

outpace

v. to move or proceed at a faster rate than someone or something else; to surpass or exceed someone's or something's performance or ability

synonym: outdistance, outstrip, overtake

(1) **outpace** market share, (2) **outpace** economic growth

Her running speed allowed her to **outpace** her competitors and win the race.

implication

n. something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something

synonym: suggestion, association, conclusion

(1) the **implication** in a crime, (2) the **implication** of a word

His poem has a very significant **implication**.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym: root, source, ancestor

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

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

export

v. to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use

synonym : ship, send, transfer

(1) **export** goods, (2) **export** the data

The country **exports** a large amount of agricultural products.

aid

n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support

synonym : helper, resource, assistance

(1) financial **aid**, (2) country-by-country **aid** programs

Pakistan's **aid** budget was still being reviewed.

infrastructure

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

synonym : foundation, framework

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

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

president

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

synonym : leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

belt

v. to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body

synonym : sing, hit hard, (noun) strap

(1) **belt** him in the face, (2) leather **belt**

The band was **belting** out old songs in response to audience requests.

initiative

n. the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need

synonym : enterprise, drive, ambition

(1) a peace **initiative**, (2) take **initiative**

The teacher's **initiative** to start a school garden project was met with enthusiasm from the students.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym : enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

trillion

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

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

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

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

synonym : memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat

The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

institute

n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

synonym : academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**

This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

affiliated

adj. being associated with or connected to a larger organization, group, or system

synonym : connected, associated, allied

(1) **affiliated** bank, (2) a foreign- **affiliated** job

He is in charge of communication with overseas **affiliated** companies.

quarter

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

synonym: fourth, one-fourth

(1) a **quarter** mile, (2) end of the first **quarter**

The unemployment rate in the first **quarter** was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

domestic

adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

synonym: endemic, private, household

(1) **domestic** airline, (2) a **domestic** animal

GDP stands for gross **domestic** product.

greenhouse

n. a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in

synonym: conservatory

(1) exotic plants in a **greenhouse**, (2) emissions of **greenhouse** gases

The **greenhouse** effect is a phenomenon that happens naturally.

passport

n. an official document issued by a government used to verify the identity and nationality of a person for international travel

synonym: travel document, ID, identity

(1) **passport** renewal, (2) **passport** document

Carrying a valid **passport** is mandatory when traveling to most foreign countries.

evaluate

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

synonym: assess, estimate, consider

(1) **evaluate** the grant proposal, (2) **evaluate** a situation

The meeting aims to **evaluate** possible choices.

outlook

n. the likely future situation for someone or something; a habitual or characteristic mental attitude to life and the world of a particular person, group, or culture

synonym : perspective, view, overlook

(1) the **outlook** of the townsite, (2) a positive **outlook** on life
Our company's business **outlook** for next year is bright.

gap

n. a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.

synonym : opening, lacuna, spread

(1) the **gap** between ideal and reality, (2) distance **gap**
Many people are working together to close the gender **gap**.

leadership

n. the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization

synonym : captaincy, direction, initiative

(1) under his **leadership**, (2) **leadership** by politicians
The country's **leadership** has decided to take large-scale measures against global warming.

desperately

adv. in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency

synonym : urgently, perilously, seriously

(1) **desperately** anxious, (2) **desperately** ill patient
The baby clung **desperately** to her mother.

administer

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

synonym : allocate, distribute, dispense

(1) **administer** justice, (2) **administer** the funds
After the accident, three governmental bodies **administer** the company.

intent

n. a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to

do or achieve something

synonym : purpose, aim, goal

(1) the **intent** of a question, (2) **intent** gaze

The designer's **intent** was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.

withdraw

v. to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something

synonym : retract, remove, back out

(1) **withdraw** from public life, (2) **withdraw** \$500 from my account

The company decided to **withdraw** its proposal due to public opposition.

void

n. an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force

synonym : emptiness, vacuity, (adjective) null

(1) **void** of expression, (2) **void** contract

The **void** in her heart was filled with the love of her family.

economy

n. the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

synonym : finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

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.

foggy

adj. characterized by or filled with dense clouds of mist or fog; unclear or hazy, as in thought or memory

synonym: misty, hazy, murky

(1) **foggy** morning, (2) **foggy** memory

The **foggy** weather made it difficult to see the road ahead.

satellite

n. an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.

synonym: orbiter, asteroid, moon

(1) a GPS **satellite**, (2) a meteorological **satellite**

Launching an artificial **satellite** contributed to the technological development of our country.

installation

n. the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position

synonym: induction, introduction, furnishing

(1) **installation** fee, (2) a medical **installation**

The Queen attested the **installation** of state ministers to their portfolios.

proof

n. a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists

synonym: testimony, evidence, assurance

(1) documentary **proof**, (2) a geometric **proof**

Proof is better than argument.

Session 2: Spelling

1. re___e the plan
v. to examine and make corrections or alterations to the idea, piece of writing, etc. to improve it
2. hi____ic accomplishment
adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so
3. killer a_p
n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
4. co_____us of having succeeded
adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
5. in st___e condition
adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
6. global em_____ons of greenhouse gases
n. the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
7. si___t reading
adj. without any or little sound
8. cr__h a revolt
v. to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller
9. home pr_____ce
n. the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation
10. 30-w__t light bulb
n. a standard unit for measuring electrical power
11. re_____ve factors
adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

ANSWERS: 1. revise, 2. historic, 3. app, 4. conscious, 5. stable, 6. emission, 7. silent, 8. crush, 9. province, 10. watt, 11. relative

12. st___y increase *adj.* firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving
13. documentary pr___f *n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists
14. a heavy sc_____le *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
15. gr_____rd of life *n.* a cemetery, especially one in a churchyard
16. pol_____ly advantageous *adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation
17. international film fe_____al *n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
18. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
19. mu___y waters *adj.* dark and gloomy or difficult to see through
20. adm_____er justice *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
21. a foreign-aff_____ed job *adj.* being associated with or connected to a larger organization, group, or system
22. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
23. health po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 12. steady, 13. proof, 14. schedule, 15. graveyard, 16. politically, 17. festival, 18. massive, 19. murky, 20. administer, 21. affiliated, 22. absolutely, 23. policy

24. ve___y identity *v.* to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct
25. an_____ce candidacy *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
26. ba____r advertising *n.* a long strip of cloth or paper bearing a symbol, logo, slogan, or another message, especially carried in a demonstration or procession or hung in a public place; a form of the online advertisement appearing on a web page
27. a peace ini____ve *n.* the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need
28. sense of op_____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
29. a material wi_____s *n.* a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
30. the fo_____nts of an earlier civilization *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
31. the in___t of a question *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
32. ad_____se the campaign *v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it

ANSWERS: 24. verify, 25. announce, 26. banner, 27. initiative, 28. optimism, 29. witness, 30. footprint, 31. intent, 32. advertise

33. ad__t a bill *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
34. em_____y staff *n.* the diplomatic building where a country's representatives to a foreign country are based
35. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
36. a gradual re_____on *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
37. not up to p_r *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
38. a c__l-fired ship *n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
39. ga_____ze the country *v.* to stimulate or shock someone into taking action; to cover metal containing zinc to protect it from rust
40. burning of fo___l fuels *n.* any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock
41. ins_____ion fee *n.* the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position
42. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
43. in___t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

ANSWERS: 33. adopt, 34. embassy, 35. slide, 36. reduction, 37. par, 38. coal, 39. galvanize, 40. fossil, 41. installation, 42. environment, 43. invest

44. a doc_____ry film *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
45. cannot log in to the a_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
46. li__n to a flower *v.* to compare something or someone to something or someone else to emphasize similarity or likeness; to describe or represent something as being like something else in some way
47. 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
48. re_____le subscriptions *adj.* capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
49. the tra_____ion of a tadpole into a frog *n.* a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
50. pu___y the blood *v.* to remove harmful substances from something and increase the concentration of it
51. a full-text in__x *n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

ANSWERS: 44. documentary, 45. app, 46. liken, 47. develop, 48. renewable, 49. transformation, 50. purify, 51. index

52. 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
53. wh____ng price *adj.* extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock
54. v__d contract *n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
55. political op____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
56. inf_____ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
57. t__e of horror *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
58. fo__y memory *adj.* characterized by or filled with dense clouds of mist or fog; unclear or hazy, as in thought or memory
59. his latest tw__ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
60. re____ly arranged *adv.* at regular intervals or times
61. a great ou__y *n.* a strong expression of public protest, anger, or dissent

ANSWERS: 52. chai, 53. whopping, 54. void, 55. optimism, 56. infrastructure, 57. tale, 58. foggy, 59. tweet, 60. regularly, 61. outcry

62. da___e a relationship *v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity
63. become pol_____ly savvy *adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation
64. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
65. ga___r attention *v.* to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention
66. a min_____ing horror story *adj.* extremely impressive in a way that affects someone's mind or emotions
67. the imp_____on in a crime *n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
68. under his lea_____ip *n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
69. re_____le energy *adj.* capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
70. national ou___y *n.* a strong expression of public protest, anger, or dissent
71. ca___l a free subscription trial *v.* to decide that a previously scheduled activity will not take place
72. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
73. a mu___y dungeon *adj.* dark and gloomy or difficult to see through

ANSWERS: 62. damage, 63. politically, 64. mention, 65. garner, 66. mind-blowing, 67. implication, 68. leadership, 69. renewable, 70. outcry, 71. cancel, 72. experiment, 73. murky

74. bu___u of statistics *n.* an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information
75. meticulous fi_____rk *n.* real-world research or study conducted outside a library or laboratory.
76. des_____ly ill patient *adv.* in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency
77. or___n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
78. the imp_____on of a word *n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
79. fe_____al attendee *n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
80. 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
81. a meteorological sa_____te *n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
82. aw___n at daybreak *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping

ANSWERS: 74. bureau, 75. fieldwork, 76. desperately, 77. origin, 78. implication, 79. festival, 80. determinant, 81. satellite, 82. awaken

83. co____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
84. a criminal bac_____nd *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
85. waterfront de_____n *n.* an inhabitant or resident of a particular place; a person, animal, or plant that is frequently found or is characteristic of a particular region or environment
86. loading d__k *n.* a structure or platform that extends from the shoreline into a body of water, used for loading and unloading ships or boats; an enclosed area of water used as a basin for shipping or pleasure boats; a place where a ship can be repaired or maintained
87. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
88. many tr_____ons of dollars *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
89. emissions of gre_____se gases *n.* a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in
90. sk_____al scientists *adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful

ANSWERS: 83. combine, 84. background, 85. denizen, 86. dock, 87. background, 88. trillion, 89. greenhouse, 90. skeptical

91. co____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
92. cast a tra_____ion spell *n.* a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
93. d__n hole *v.* to mend a piece of clothing by sewing over a hole or tear with small, tight stitches
94. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
95. foreign po____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
96. des_____ly anxious *adv.* in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency
97. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
98. perform fi_____rk *n.* real-world research or study conducted outside a library or laboratory.
99. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
100. a hasty te____r *n.* a person's state of mind, emotions, or attitude; a tendency to become angry or excited easily; the elasticity and hardness of a metal object

ANSWERS: 91. combine, 92. transformation, 93. darn, 94. climate, 95. policy, 96. desperately, 97. crazy, 98. fieldwork, 99. rev, 100. temper

101. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
102. co_____us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
103. ad_____se on social media *v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
104. exotic plants in a gre_____se *n.* a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in
105. in____t gaze *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
106. 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
107. clogged fi____r *n.* any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light
108. snow d__e *n.* a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base
109. a weather ch__t *n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea

ANSWERS: 101. government, 102. conscious, 103. advertise, 104. greenhouse, 105. intent, 106. decide, 107. filter, 108. dome, 109. chart

110. wi_____aw from public life *v.* to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something
111. ac_____e milestones *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
112. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
113. in_____l a door *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
114. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
115. co_____t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
116. the g_p between ideal and reality *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
117. above p_r performance *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
118. en_____us potential *adj.* extremely large or great
119. the con_____on of food *n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials
120. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

ANSWERS: 110. withdraw, 111. achieve, 112. communicate, 113. install, 114. president, 115. conduct, 116. gap, 117. par, 118. enormous, 119. consumption, 120. responsible

121. b__t him in the face
v. to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body
122. im_____e the test score
v. to make or become better
123. en_____us amount
adj. extremely large or great
124. ca___n emission
n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
125. ev_____on theory
n. a gradual process of transformation of living things
126. ga_____ze steel
v. to stimulate or shock someone into taking action; to cover metal containing zinc to protect it from rust
127. op_____ne occasion
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
128. look up___d
adv. toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher place
129. travel bu___u
n. an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information
130. sta_____cs for cancer
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 121. belt, 122. improve, 123. enormous, 124. carbon, 125. evolution, 126. galvanize, 127. opportune, 128. upward, 129. bureau, 130. statistics

131. c__p herbicide *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food
132. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
133. financial a_d *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
134. un___t in the city *n.* a state of agitation or disturbance; lack of calm or peace
135. d_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
136. demonstrate an up___d trend *adv.* toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher place
137. pl___e military assistance *v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
138. neighborhood t__t *n.* a silly or foolish person; someone regarded as annoying or irritating
139. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
140. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
141. baby with se_____ve skin *adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do

ANSWERS: 131. crop, 132. opportune, 133. aid, 134. unrest, 135. dam, 136. upward, 137. pledge, 138. twit, 139. economy, 140. silent, 141. sensitive

142. ex___t goods *v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use
143. wh_____ng success *adj.* extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock
144. em_____y function *n.* the diplomatic building where a country's representatives to a foreign country are based
145. d__n stockings *v.* to mend a piece of clothing by sewing over a hole or tear with small, tight stitches
146. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
147. cause un___t *n.* a state of agitation or disturbance; lack of calm or peace
148. a fo___l leaf *n.* any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock
149. c__p field *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food
150. wi_____s of the car accident *n.* a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
151. pr_____re death *adj.* occurring or done too early; happening before the appropriate time; born before the end of a full-term pregnancy
152. arrange my sc_____le *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

ANSWERS: 142. export, 143. whopping, 144. embassy, 145. darn, 146. communicate, 147. unrest, 148. fossil, 149. crop, 150. witness, 151. premature, 152. schedule

153. fishing d__k *n.* a structure or platform that extends from the shoreline into a body of water, used for loading and unloading ships or boats; an enclosed area of water used as a basin for shipping or pleasure boats; a place where a ship can be repaired or maintained
154. d__e structure *n.* a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base
155. se_____ve documents *adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do
156. tr_____on cubic feet *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
157. an international tr__d *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
158. a chick's tw__t *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
159. ga___r good reviews *v.* to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention
160. rem_____le achievement *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
161. aw_____ss of my ignorance *n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
162. corporate ma___t *n.* a person, animal, or object that is believed to bring good luck, often adopted by a sports team or organization as a symbol of their identity or values

ANSWERS: 153. dock, 154. dome, 155. sensitive, 156. trillion, 157. trend, 158. tweet, 159. garner, 160. remarkable, 161. awareness, 162. mascot

163. re____t deeper into their territory *n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
164. a qu____r mile *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
165. the tr__d away from television *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
166. da___e assessment *v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity
167. in____l a chairperson *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
168. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
169. ev____te the grant proposal *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
170. h__l the victorious team with cheers *v.* to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky

ANSWERS: 163. retreat, 164. quarter, 165. trend, 166. damage, 167. install, 168. statistics, 169. evaluate, 170. hail

171. ev_____te a situation *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
172. wi_____aw \$500 from my account *v.* to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something
173. in_____e violence *v.* to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive
174. have a st_____e job *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
175. smokeless f____l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
176. achieve the hi_____ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
177. ta_____e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
178. unpaid w____es *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
179. increase in the minimum w____e *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
180. a de_____ve ballot *adj.* making a clear and definite decision or choice; settling an issue
181. a sk_____al attitude *adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful
182. pu_____y hydrogen gas *v.* to remove harmful substances from something and increase the concentration of it

ANSWERS: 171. evaluate, 172. withdraw, 173. incite, 174. stable, 175. fuel, 176. historic, 177. tackle, 178. wage, 179. wage, 180. decisive, 181. skeptical, 182. purify

183. ro____y explain my idea *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
184. the p__k current in the circuit *n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
185. la____y accepted *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
186. li__n to a bird *v.* to compare something or someone to something or someone else to emphasize similarity or likeness; to describe or represent something as being like something else in some way
187. 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
188. distance g_p *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
189. take ini_____ve *n.* the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need
190. sus_____le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
191. construction of new c__l plants *n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
192. tra_____ncy during the trials *n.* the condition or quality of being easy to see through

ANSWERS: 183. roughly, 184. peak, 185. largely, 186. liken, 187. chai, 188. gap, 189. initiative, 190. sustainable, 191. coal, 192. transparency

193. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
194. the em____on of light *n.* the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
195. effects of cl____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
196. research in____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
197. racial or____n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
198. a do____ic animal *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
199. wildlife pre____ion *n.* the act of keeping something in its original state or of preventing it from being damaged
200. take a st____y job *adj.* firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving
201. environmental det____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
202. biomass f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
203. st____up business *n.* a newly established company or business
204. dis____ct the water supply *v.* to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment

ANSWERS: 193. slide, 194. emission, 195. climate, 196. institute, 197. origin, 198. domestic, 199. preservation, 200. steady, 201. determinant, 202. fuel, 203. start-up, 204. disconnect

205. ma_____e stars	<i>adj.</i> enormous amount; very heavy and solid
206. an_____ce the award winners	<i>v.</i> to make something known or officially inform people about something
207. pe_____de residue	<i>n.</i> a substance used for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest
208. at p__k hour	<i>n.</i> the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
209. end of the first qu_____r	<i>n.</i> one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
210. in____t capital	<i>v.</i> to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
211. pl____e my fidelity	<i>v.</i> to make a formal promise to give or do something
212. ac_____e success	<i>v.</i> to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
213. ou_____e market share	<i>v.</i> to move or proceed at a faster rate than someone or something else; to surpass or exceed someone's or something's performance or ability
214. the rem_____le breadth of knowledge	<i>adj.</i> worthy of attention because unusual or special
215. par_____te pollution	<i>adj.</i> consisting of small particles, especially those that are suspended in a fluid or air

ANSWERS: 205. massive, 206. announce, 207. pesticide, 208. peak, 209. quarter, 210. invest, 211. pledge, 212. achieve, 213. outpace, 214. remarkable, 215. particulate

216. h__l forecast
217. aw___n a child
218. health in__x
219. a GPS sa_____te
220. im_____e a process
221. lack of tra_____ncy
222. human ev_____on
223. principles of sus_____le
development
224. ad__t a child
- v.* to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky
- v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
- n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
- n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
- v.* to make or become better
- n.* the condition or quality of being easy to see through
- n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
- adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
- v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

ANSWERS: 216. hail, 217. awaken, 218. index, 219. satellite, 220. improve, 221. transparency, 222. evolution, 223. sustainable, 224. adopt

225. hyd_____er energy *n.* electricity generated from the energy of moving water, usually using turbines and dams in rivers or other bodies of water
226. a fairy t__e *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
227. do_____ic airline *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
228. co_____t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
229. a positive ou_____k on life *n.* the likely future situation for someone or something; a habitual or characteristic mental attitude to life and the world of a particular person, group, or culture
230. ro_____y speaking *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
231. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
232. the runner's p__e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
233. fo__y morning *adj.* characterized by or filled with dense clouds of mist or fog; unclear or hazy, as in thought or memory
234. environmental po_____on *n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change

ANSWERS: 225. hydropower, 226. tale, 227. domestic, 228. conduct, 229. outlook, 230. roughly, 231. rev, 232. pace, 233. foggy, 234. pollution

235. adm_____er the funds *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
236. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
237. doc_____ry proof *n.* a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
238. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
239. ve____y a document *v.* to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct
240. bridle my te____r *n.* a person's state of mind, emotions, or attitude; a tendency to become angry or excited easily; the elasticity and hardness of a metal object
241. ca____n dioxide *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
242. dis_____ct a plug *v.* to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment

ANSWERS: 235. administer, 236. absolutely, 237. documentary, 238. economy, 239. verify, 240. temper, 241. carbon, 242. disconnect

243. the ou____k of the townsite *n.* the likely future situation for someone or something; a habitual or characteristic mental attitude to life and the world of a particular person, group, or culture
244. Bengal pr____ce *n.* the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation
245. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
246. the star-spangled ba____r *n.* a long strip of cloth or paper bearing a symbol, logo, slogan, or another message, especially carried in a demonstration or procession or hung in a public place; a form of the online advertisement appearing on a web page
247. celebrity t__t *n.* a silly or foolish person; someone regarded as annoying or irritating
248. pa____rt renewal *n.* an official document issued by a government used to verify the identity and nationality of a person for international travel
249. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
250. ca____l a class *v.* to decide that a previously scheduled activity will not take place

ANSWERS: 243. outlook, 244. province, 245. debate, 246. banner, 247. twit, 248. passport, 249. crazy, 250. cancel

251. d_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
252. a geometric pr__f *n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists
253. me_____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
254. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
255. access to public tr_____rt *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
256. help ta___e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
257. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
258. bodies in a gr_____rd *n.* a cemetery, especially one in a churchyard
259. re_____t in a mountain region *n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
260. de_____ve action *adj.* making a clear and definite decision or choice; settling an issue
261. team ma___t *n.* a person, animal, or object that is believed to bring good luck, often adopted by a sports team or organization as a symbol of their identity or values

ANSWERS: 251. dam, 252. proof, 253. mention, 254. government, 255. transport, 256. tackle, 257. debate, 258. graveyard, 259. retreat, 260. decisive, 261. mascot

262. country-by-country a_d programs *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
263. re_____on strategy *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
264. el_____fy the audience *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
265. aff_____ed bank *adj.* being associated with or connected to a larger organization, group, or system
266. internet de_____n *n.* an inhabitant or resident of a particular place; a person, animal, or plant that is frequently found or is characteristic of a particular region or environment
267. tr_____rt facilities *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
268. pr_____re birth *adj.* occurring or done too early; happening before the appropriate time; born before the end of a full-term pregnancy
269. hyd_____er plant *n.* electricity generated from the energy of moving water, usually using turbines and dams in rivers or other bodies of water
270. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
271. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

ANSWERS: 262. aid, 263. reduction, 264. electrify, 265. affiliated, 266. denizen, 267. transport, 268. premature, 269. hydropower, 270. environment, 271. electrify

272. in_____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
273. pe_____de application *n.* a substance used for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest
274. act with ca_____n *n.* great care and attention that you take to avoid danger or mistakes; a warning against certain acts
275. raise public aw_____ss *n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
276. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
277. par_____te size *adj.* consisting of small particles, especially those that are suspended in a fluid or air
278. in___e rebellion *v.* to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive
279. extreme ca_____n *n.* great care and attention that you take to avoid danger or mistakes; a warning against certain acts
280. early-stage st_____up *n.* a newly established company or business
281. a statistical ch__t *n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea

ANSWERS: 272. institute, 273. pesticide, 274. caution, 275. awareness, 276. responsible, 277. particulate, 278. incite, 279. caution, 280. start-up, 281. chart

282. 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
283. average fuel con_____on *n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials
284. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
285. high levels of air po_____on *n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
286. fo_____nts in the snow *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
287. la_____y mitigate the issue *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
288. ex___t the data *v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use
289. post re_____ly to a blog *adv.* at regular intervals or times
290. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
291. leather b__t *v.* to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body

ANSWERS: 282. develop, 283. consumption, 284. decide, 285. pollution, 286. footprint, 287. largely, 288. export, 289. regularly, 290. president, 291. belt

292. v__d of expression *n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
293. ou_____e economic growth *v.* to move or proceed at a faster rate than someone or something else; to surpass or exceed someone's or something's performance or ability
294. series of exp_____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
295. min_____ing discovery *adj.* extremely impressive in a way that affects someone's mind or emotions
296. the pre_____ion of food *n.* the act of keeping something in its original state or of preventing it from being damaged
297. re___e his belief *v.* to examine and make corrections or alterations to the idea, piece of writing, etc. to improve it
298. pa_____rt document *n.* an official document issued by a government used to verify the identity and nationality of a person for international travel
299. a remote re_____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
300. w__t per square meter *n.* a standard unit for measuring electrical power
301. gas fi___r *n.* any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light

ANSWERS: 292. void, 293. outpace, 294. experiment, 295. mind-blowing, 296. preservation, 297. revise, 298. passport, 299. relative, 300. watt, 301. filter

302. lea_____ip by politicians *n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
303. at your own p__e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
304. IT inf_____ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
305. a medical ins_____ion *n.* the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position
306. cr__h coffee beans *v.* to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller

ANSWERS: 302. leadership, 303. pace, 304. infrastructure, 305. installation, 306. crush

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. GDP stands for gross _____ product.
adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
2. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.
adj. without any or little sound
3. His poem has a very significant _____.
n. something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
4. The politician's speech seemed designed to _____ anger and unrest among the crowd.
v. to encourage, stir up, or provoke someone to do something; to urge, instigate, or stimulate someone to take action, often negative or aggressive
5. Our company's business _____ for next year is bright.
n. the likely future situation for someone or something; a habitual or characteristic mental attitude to life and the world of a particular person, group, or culture
6. The production of _____ fuels requires massive volumes of fresh water.
adj. capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
7. Some people _____ meditation to a mental shower, refreshing and rejuvenating the mind.
v. to compare something or someone to something or someone else to emphasize similarity or likeness; to describe or represent something as being like something else in some way

ANSWERS: 1. domestic, 2. silent, 3. implication, 4. incite, 5. outlook, 6. renewable, 7. liken

8. The stock market _____ measures the performance of a group of stocks.
n. a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
9. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
10. The government should do more to support environmentally _____ agriculture.
adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time
11. The _____ effects of the psychedelic drug were unlike anything he had ever experienced.
adj. extremely impressive in a way that affects someone's mind or emotions
12. This newspaper is supposed to be _____ neutral.
adv. in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation
13. The country's _____ has decided to take large-scale measures against global warming.
n. the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
14. The _____ is endangering the local plants and animals.
n. the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
15. They unfurled the _____ in preparation for the ceremony.
n. a long strip of cloth or paper bearing a symbol, logo, slogan, or another message, especially carried in a demonstration or procession or hung in a public place; a form of the online advertisement appearing on a web page

ANSWERS: 8. index, 9. absolutely, 10. sustainable, 11. mind-blowing, 12. politically, 13. leadership, 14. pollution, 15. banners

16. The recent political _____ in the country has led to widespread protests and civil disobedience.
- n.* a state of agitation or disturbance; lack of calm or peace
17. 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
18. At this ceremony, We will _____ allegiance to the country's flag.
- v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
19. The national assembly has _____ the budget.
- v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
20. Five miles is _____ similar to eight kilometers.
- adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
21. We combust _____ and other fossil fuels to generate electricity.
- n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
22. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.
- n.* the first existence or beginning of something
23. Shares in the company finally fell below their _____ value.
- n.* a state of being equal to someone or something

ANSWERS: 16. unrest, 17. develop, 18. pledge, 19. adopted, 20. roughly, 21. coal, 22. origin, 23. par

24. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

25. 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

26. The car was completely _____ in the accident.

v. to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller

27. The cathedral _____ soared high above, its stained-glass windows casting colorful light on the altar below.

n. a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base

28. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.

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

29. The farmer sprayed _____ on his crops to protect them from insects.

n. a substance used for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest

30. Many countries around the world have built dams to harness the power of _____ for their energy needs.

n. electricity generated from the energy of moving water, usually using turbines and dams in rivers or other bodies of water

31. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

ANSWERS: 24. crazy, 25. chai, 26. crushed, 27. dome, 28. environment, 29. pesticide, 30. hydropower, 31. historic

32. Trees absorb _____ dioxide and give off oxygen.
n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
33. There is considerable _____ that the economy will recover soon.
n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
34. This measurement aims to reduce traffic at _____ periods.
n. the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
35. _____ is better than argument.
n. a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists
36. There are five distinct _____ at five unique wavelengths.
n. the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
37. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.
v. to organize and carry out a particular activity
38. He became _____ that he was being followed.
adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
39. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 32. carbon, 33. optimism, 34. peak, 35. Proof, 36. emissions, 37. conduct, 38. conscious, 39. statistics

40. In our country, water _____ usually decreases during the winter.
n. the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials
41. The _____ building was heavily guarded by security personnel.
n. the diplomatic building where a country's representatives to a foreign country are based
42. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.
v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
43. The city's _____ is a famous landmark that attracts tourists.
n. a person, animal, or object that is believed to bring good luck, often adopted by a sports team or organization as a symbol of their identity or values
44. We always _____ all critical information independently.
v. to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct
45. The patient's vital signs are _____ indicating a stable condition.
adj. firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving
46. The _____ victory in the war ended years of conflict.
adj. making a clear and definite decision or choice; settling an issue
47. The _____ scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector
n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
48. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 40. consumption, 41. embassy, 42. slide, 43. mascot, 44. verify, 45. steady, 46. decisive, 47. fuel, 48. opportune

49. We want to _____ our company through your media.
- v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
50. The oil price continued their downward _____.
- n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
51. 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
52. They study the _____ of the universe.
- n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
53. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
- n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
54. A network of railways has developed over the _____.
- n.* the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation
55. Several hectares of land are needed to generate more than 1-mega_____ solar power.
- n.* a standard unit for measuring electrical power
56. Shakespeare's output of poetry was _____.
- adj.* extremely large or great

ANSWERS: 49. advertise, 50. trend, 51. invest, 52. evolution, 53. economy, 54. province, 55. watt, 56. enormous

57. Pakistan's ____ budget was still being reviewed.

n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support

58. Enhanced rail _____ is crucial for our business.

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

59. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

60. The friend's death _____ them.

v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping

61. The ____ in her heart was filled with the love of her family.

n. an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force

62. People in the area were forced to ____ a taxi due to the lack of public transportation options.

v. to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky

63. This region has many _____ offering higher education.

n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

64. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

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

ANSWERS: 57. aid, 58. transportation, 59. combine, 60. awakens, 61. void, 62. hail, 63. institutes, 64. communicate

65. The _____ effect is a phenomenon that happens naturally.
- n.* a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in
66. Relations between the two countries have been relatively _____ due to the summit meeting.
- adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
67. I have to _____ these socks before they become unwearable.
- v.* to mend a piece of clothing by sewing over a hole or tear with small, tight stitches
68. The new smartphone has a _____ 1TB of storage space.
- adj.* extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock
69. We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon _____.
- n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
70. The _____ weather made it difficult to see the road ahead.
- adj.* characterized by or filled with dense clouds of mist or fog; unclear or hazy, as in thought or memory
71. The ship pulled to the _____ and we disembarked to start our adventure.
- n.* a structure or platform that extends from the shoreline into a body of water, used for loading and unloading ships or boats; an enclosed area of water used as a basin for shipping or pleasure boats; a place where a ship can be repaired or maintained
72. Our company's services are targeted at _____ executives.
- n.* a newly established company or business

ANSWERS: 65. greenhouse, 66. stable, 67. darn, 68. whopping, 69. footprint, 70. foggy, 71. dock, 72. start-up

73. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
74. The _____ of the steel needs to be just right to ensure the product's durability.
n. a person's state of mind, emotions, or attitude; a tendency to become angry or excited easily; the elasticity and hardness of a metal object
75. So far, the meeting is going according to _____.
n. a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
76. The company decided to _____ its proposal due to public opposition.
v. to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something
77. The teacher is very _____ to children's feelings.
adj. able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do
78. I will work hard to _____ my goals and realize my dreams.
v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
79. Launching an artificial _____ contributed to the technological development of our country.
n. an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
80. The company adjusted the revenue _____.
adv. toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher place

ANSWERS: 73. tackle, 74. temper, 75. schedule, 76. withdraw, 77. sensitive, 78. achieve, 79. satellite, 80. upward

81. The economy is growing at a supercharged _____.
n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
82. His _____ continued to rise as his skills improved.
n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
83. The _____ against the new policy was heard loud and clear by the government.
n. a strong expression of public protest, anger, or dissent
84. During the surgery, the doctor had to be extremely cautious not to _____ a blood vessel.
v. to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity
85. The baby clung _____ to her mother.
adv. in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency
86. This site _____ shares high-quality academic materials.
adv. at regular intervals or times
87. The motivational speech _____ the team and gave them the drive to succeed.
v. to stimulate or shock someone into taking action; to cover metal containing zinc to protect it from rust

ANSWERS: 81. pace, 82. wages, 83. outcry, 84. damage, 85. desperately, 86. regularly, 87. galvanized

88. The prediction method has been _____ drastically.

- v.* to examine and make corrections or alterations to the idea, piece of writing, etc. to improve it

89. The _____ baby was small but healthy.

- adj.* occurring or done too early; happening before the appropriate time; born before the end of a full-term pregnancy

90. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.

- adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid

91. The new president was _____ immediately after the national election.

- v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position

92. The meeting aims to _____ possible choices.

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

93. His _____ showed highly positive results.

- n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

94. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.

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

95. Prospects for the suspect's conviction are _____ due to a lack of helpful evidence.

- adj.* dark and gloomy or difficult to see through

ANSWERS: 88. revised, 89. premature, 90. massive, 91. installed, 92. evaluate, 93. experiments, 94. infrastructure, 95. murky

96. 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
97. Many people go on a _____ to recharge and reconnect with themselves.
- n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
98. Numerous instances from _____ show these hypotheses in great detail.
- n.* real-world research or study conducted outside a library or laboratory.
99. This pie _____ represents our market share.
- n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea
100. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.
- n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
101. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
- n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
102. The company's new _____ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.
- n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 96. determinant, 97. retreat, 98. fieldwork, 99. chart, 100. background, 101. Climate, 102. policy

103. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the _____ release.

n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

104. It was the _____ of a dinosaur tooth.

n. any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock

105. The unemployment rate in the first _____ was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

106. Her running speed allowed her to _____ her competitors and win the race.

v. to move or proceed at a faster rate than someone or something else; to surpass or exceed someone's or something's performance or ability

107. The manufacturing industry is _____ fierce competition.

n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident

108. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

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

109. He is in charge of communication with overseas _____ companies.

adj. being associated with or connected to a larger organization, group, or system

110. When customers _____ their reservations, they lose the deposit they made.

v. to decide that a previously scheduled activity will not take place

ANSWERS: 103. app's, 104. fossil, 105. quarter, 106. outpace, 107. witnessing, 108. debate, 109. affiliated, 110. cancel

111. He used his charm and charisma to _____ support for his campaign.
v. to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention
112. Smoke from forest fires is causing an increase in _____ matter in the air.
adj. consisting of small particles, especially those that are suspended in a fluid or air
113. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud _____.
n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
114. I went to the _____ of motor vehicles to renew my driver's license.
n. an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information
115. There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental _____.
n. the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
116. The equipment is frequently used to _____ and distribute drinking water.
v. to remove harmful substances from something and increase the concentration of it
117. 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
118. 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

ANSWERS: 111. garner, 112. particulate, 113. rev, 114. bureau, 115. awareness, 116. purify, 117. responsible, 118. government

119. The music _____ attracts visitors from all over the world.

- n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works

120. Ghosts in folk _____ are almost always malicious.

- n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

121. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

- v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly

122. The Queen attested the _____ of state ministers to their portfolios.

- n.* the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position

123. The main discussion topic is government _____.

- n.* the condition or quality of being easy to see through

124. He gave a stern _____ to the naughty student.

- n.* great care and attention that you take to avoid danger or mistakes; a warning against certain acts

125. After the accident, three governmental bodies _____ the company.

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

126. Understanding unitary _____ of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.

- n.* a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something

ANSWERS: 119. festival, 120. tales, 121. mentioned, 122. installation, 123. transparency, 124. caution, 125. administer, 126. transformations

127. Ozone is a primary _____ to protect Earth's surface from harmful UV rays.
- n.* any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light
128. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.
- v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
129. The _____ in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.
- n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
130. The country _____ a large amount of agricultural products.
- v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use
131. The designer's _____ was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.
- n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
132. Carrying a valid _____ is mandatory when traveling to most foreign countries.
- n.* an official document issued by a government used to verify the identity and nationality of a person for international travel
133. The third season of the anime show has been _____.
- v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something

ANSWERS: 127. filter, 128. electrify, 129. reduction, 130. exports, 131. intent, 132. passport, 133. announced

134. The teacher's _____ to start a school garden project was met with enthusiasm from the students.

n. the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need

135. His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly _____.

adj. doubting that something is accurate or useful

136. 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

137. Many people are working together to close the gender ____.

n. a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.

138. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

139. Please ignore that ____ on social media; their opinions are irrelevant.

n. a silly or foolish person; someone regarded as annoying or irritating

140. He won an award for that short _____.

n. a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents

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

v. to make or become better

ANSWERS: 134. initiative, 135. skeptical, 136. preservation, 137. gap, 138. relatives, 139. twit, 140. documentary, 141. improve

142. Sow early for an early _____.

n. a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

143. The lake is known for its _____ of various fish species.

n. an inhabitant or resident of a particular place; a person, animal, or plant that is frequently found or is characteristic of a particular region or environment

144. She finally decided to _____ herself from the company.

v. to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment

145. The ancestral _____ was peaceful, with rows of headstones and tall trees.

n. a cemetery, especially one in a churchyard

146. The break in the ____ threatened the valley.

n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

147. Nevada is _____ a desert state.

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

148. 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

149. One light year is nearly 6 _____ miles.

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

150. The band was _____ out old songs in response to audience requests.

v. to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body

ANSWERS: 142. crop, 143. denizens, 144. disconnect, 145. graveyard, 146. dam, 147. largely, 148. decide, 149. trillion, 150. belting

151. The election was a _____ success for the Whigs.

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

152. We could hear the _____ of baby birds.

n. a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

153. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

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

ANSWERS: 151. remarkable, 152. tweet, 153. president