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Session 1: Word List

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.

digital

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

synonym: numerical, computerized, cyber

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

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

corporation

n. a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

synonym: business, company, enterprise

(1) a public **corporation**, (2) **corporation** assets

Four companies were amalgamated into a single **corporation**.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
synonym : person, being, self

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

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

bet

v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

synonym : stake, wager, gamble

(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future

I **bet** that you know it.

citizenship

n. the status of being a member of a particular country
synonym : nationality, belonging, residency

(1) dual **citizenship**, (2) **citizenship** rights

Her **citizenship** application was denied due to a technical error.

govern

v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

synonym : control, rule, preside

(1) a nation's right to **govern**, (2) **govern** a public enterprise

The regulations **governing** medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

tug

v. to pull something quickly and hard, often several times
synonym : draw, jerk, pull

(1) **tug** a rope, (2) **tug** at his hand

This movie **tugs** at everyone's heartstrings.

nation-state

n. a sovereign political entity that is composed of a nation, which is a group of people who share a common cultural, linguistic, or ethnic identity

synonym : sovereignty, independence, autonomy

(1) emerging **nation-state**, (2) **nation-state** autonomy

Some people argue that the rise of globalization has weakened the power of **nation-states**.

transnational

adj. relating to or involving activities, organizations, or individuals that cross national boundaries or operate in multiple countries; having a presence or influence in multiple countries or regions

synonym: international, global, cross-border

(1) **transnational** migration, (2) **transnational** crime

The company operates as a **transnational** corporation, with offices and operations in multiple countries.

nation

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

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

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.

react

v. to take action in response to something

synonym: respond, reply, oppose

(1) **react** at a high temperature, (2) **react** against his way of thinking

How did he **react** to your idea?

stool

n. a seat without a back or arms, typically used by one person; a piece of furniture with a flat top supported by one or more legs, used for working at or eating from; a piece of feces excreted from the body

synonym: seat, chair, feces

(1) **stool** seat, (2) **stool** analysis

The doctor asked me to provide a **stool** sample for testing.

detract

v. to diminish the value or worth of a quality or performance

synonym: take away, draw away, diminish

(1) **detract** from quality of life, (2) **detract** from his fame

His terrible manners **detract** from his good character.

prevail

v. to be common, widespread, or frequent; to be the strongest or most powerful

synonym: triumph, prevail over, be victorious

(1) good will **prevail**, (2) **prevail** in a suit

It is common for oppressive governments to **prevail** through violence, using military and police force to control their citizens and suppress dissent.

skip

v. to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

synonym: bounce, spring, neglect

(1) **skip** across the country, (2) **skip** breakfast

We **skipped** the topic because it was too complicated.

license

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

synonym: permit, authorization, certificate

(1) **license** renewal, (2) software **license**

Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's **license**.

scoot

v. to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device

synonym: glide, slide, scurry

(1) **scoot** out of my room, (2) **scoot** over

I have to **scoot** over to the next desk because there's not enough room for me to sit comfortably.

deploy

v. to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way

synonym: set up, expand, launch

(1) **deploy** troops for battle, (2) **deploy** safety measures

This country **deployed** its weapons in the east region.

requirement

n. something that is needed or wanted

synonym: prerequisite, provision, condition

(1) meet **requirement**, (2) school **requirement**

What is the entry **requirement** for this course?

contract

n. a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

synonym: agreement, deal, arrangement

(1) employment **contract**, (2) **contract** law

The company signed a **contract** with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

guideline

n. a general rule or principle that provides guidance to appropriate behavior; a piece of advice or instructions that tell you how something should be done or what something should be

synonym: policy, direction, protocol

(1) an education **guideline**, (2) **guideline** for clinical trial

This book will be a practical **guideline** when coding.

governance

n. the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes

synonym: administration, management, direction

(1) good **governance**, (2) corporate **governance**

The United Nations assists countries in building strong **governance** frameworks and institutions.

lifetime

n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

synonym: lifespan, duration

(1) **lifetime** benefits, (2) **lifetime** ban from the sport

She had lived through two world wars in her **lifetime**.

norm

n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

domain

n. a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise

synonym: territory, realm, sphere

(1) **domain** of use, (2) a dependent **domain**

The company's **domain** in the market was expanding to new territories.

privacy

n. someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people

synonym: seclusion, aloneness, solitariness

(1) **privacy** abuse, (2) trespass on a person's **privacy**

This conduct would be an invasion of **privacy**.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

cooperation

n. the act or situation of working together with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc.

synonym: collaboration, affiliation, alliance

(1) **cooperation** with strategic partners, (2) thoroughgoing **cooperation**

The **cooperation** between businesses and universities created this groundbreaking product.

advance

v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

synonym: progress, boost, come along

(1) **advance** the technology, (2) **advance** a cooperative relationship

Scientific knowledge will **advance** significantly with the power of AI.

incentive

n. something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

synonym: encouragement, inducement, enticement

(1) financial **incentives**, (2) an **incentive** to work hard

They have no **incentive** to win the game.

disagree

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

synonym: discord, oppose, dissent

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

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

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym: specialized, technical

(1) **technological** advancement, (2) **technological** policy

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

dismiss

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

synonym : decline, disband, dissolve

(1) **dismiss** a person from the office, (2) **dismiss** a matter with a laugh

The committee has decided to **dismiss** the president from the post.

platform

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

synonym : stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise

The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

sustainable

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

synonym : continuable, endurable, tolerable

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

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

pushback

n. resistance, opposition, or an adverse reaction to a plan, idea, or proposal; a deliberate effort to resist, challenge, or oppose external pressure or influence; (verb) to resist or object to a proposal, idea, or plan

synonym : resistance, opposition, objection

(1) political **pushback**, (2) social **pushback**

The **pushback** from the community on the proposed policy change was intense and widespread.

silicon

n. a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

(1) **silicon** wafer, (2) crystalline **silicon**

Silicon is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.

valley

n. a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

synonym: canyon, gorge, dale

(1) **valley** bottom, (2) basin-shaped **valley**

The **valley** had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

steward

n. a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.

synonym: caretaker, manager, custodian

(1) **steward** duties, (2) **steward** service

The **steward** on the flight was very helpful in assisting passengers with their needs.

blacksmith

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

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

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

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.

convention

n. a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example

synonym: meeting, conference, congress

(1) **convention** center, (2) political **convention**

They met at biennial **conventions**.

regulate

v. to control something, especially by means of rules or laws

synonym: control, restrain, handle

(1) **regulate** blood sugar levels, (2) **regulate** our conduct

We must manage to **regulate** our expenditure.

mood

n. the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind

synonym: mindset, disposition, temper

(1) the **mood** in a room, (2) in an ugly **mood**

His gaffe spoiled the **mood** of the dinner party.

conundrum

n. a confusing and difficult problem or question

synonym: puzzle, riddle, enigma

(1) **conundrum** of choice, (2) pose a **conundrum**

The group faced a **conundrum** when they couldn't decide whether to go hiking or to the beach.

blame

v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

synonym: condemn, rebuke, find fault with

(1) **blame** circumstances for the failure, (2) **blame** the lack of knowledge

We **blamed** our impeded progress on lack of money.

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.

engineer

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

synonym : architect, creator, builder

(1) a civil **engineer**, (2) **engineer** shortage

The **engineer** will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

device

n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

synonym : gadget, instrument, tool

(1) electronic **device**, (2) tracking **device**

I always carry a backup **device** in case my phone runs out of battery.

oath

n. a solemn promise or affirmation, often made in a formal public setting, to do something or adhere to certain principles or beliefs; a formal declaration of one's commitment to a particular course of action, organization, or duty

synonym : pledge, vow, promise

(1) **oath** of allegiance, (2) promise an **oath**

He took an **oath** to uphold the law as a police officer.

technocracy

n. a system of government or social organization in which officials or experts in various fields have the primary decision-making power

(1) **technocracy** system, (2) **technocracy** ideology

Critics of **technocracy** argue that it is inherently undemocratic, as it puts the power in the hands of a small, privileged elite.

wisdom

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

synonym : sagacity, discernment, insight

(1) a fountain of **wisdom**, (2) **wisdom** literature

The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's **wisdom**.

commitment

n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

synonym : burden, obligation, promise

(1) a **commitment** to an alliance, (2) meet his

commitments

His business **commitments** took him to the United States.

tactical

adj. relating to or constituting actions, plans, or strategies designed to achieve a particular purpose, especially an aggressive or political purpose; characterized by calculated planning, organization, and effectiveness

synonym : strategic, calculated, planned

(1) **tactical** decision, (2) **tactical** move

The army used **tactical** maneuvers to gain an advantage in battle.

liberal

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

synonym : broad, free, large-minded

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

He is **liberal** in his thoughts.

intelligence

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

synonym : brains, brightness, cleverness

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

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

nuclear

adj. of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

synonym : atomic

(1) **nuclear** fusion, (2) use of **nuclear** power

Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of **nuclear** weapons.

proliferation

n. a rapid or uncontrolled increase in the number or amount of something; the process of growing, producing, or spreading rapidly and excessively

synonym : spread, expansion, increase

(1) nuclear **proliferation**, (2) the **proliferation** of social media

The **proliferation** of fast-food restaurants has contributed to the obesity epidemic.

endowment

n. a fund or financial support, either from a charitable organization or from an individual or group of individuals, to support a specific purpose or organization

synonym : fund, gift, donation

(1) education **endowment** insurance, (2) **endowment** gift

The wealthy benefactor's **endowment** helped the university build a new library.

appreciate

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

synonym : acknowledge, admire, enjoy

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

We would **appreciate** an early reply.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. employment co_____ct | <i>n.</i> a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law |
| 2. thoroughgoing coo_____on | <i>n.</i> the act or situation of working together with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc. |
| 3. an in_____ve to work hard | <i>n.</i> something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something |
| 4. en_____nt gift | <i>n.</i> a fund or financial support, either from a charitable organization or from an individual or group of individuals, to support a specific purpose or organization |
| 5. bl__e the lack of knowledge | <i>v.</i> to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad |
| 6. re__t at a high temperature | <i>v.</i> to take action in response to something |
| 7. the pro_____ion of social media | <i>n.</i> a rapid or uncontrolled increase in the number or amount of something; the process of growing, producing, or spreading rapidly and excessively |
| 8. res_____le for a customer service | <i>adj.</i> answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management |

ANSWERS: 1. contract, 2. cooperation, 3. incentive, 4. endowment, 5. blame, 6. react, 7. proliferation, 8. responsible

9. meet req_____nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
10. school req_____nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
11. in an ugly m__d *n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind
12. cor_____on assets *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
13. ad_____e a cooperative relationship *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
14. con_____on center *n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
15. ta_____al move *adj.* relating to or constituting actions, plans, or strategies designed to achieve a particular purpose, especially an aggressive or political purpose; characterized by calculated planning, organization, and effectiveness
16. gu_____ne for clinical trial *n.* a general rule or principle that provides guidance to appropriate behavior; a piece of advice or instructions that tell you how something should be done or what something should be
17. bla_____th welding *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
18. field of artificial int_____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

ANSWERS: 9. requirement, 10. requirement, 11. mood, 12. corporation, 13. advance, 14. convention, 15. tactical, 16. guideline, 17. blacksmith, 18. intelligence

19. pr____l in a suit *v.* to be common, widespread, or frequent; to be the strongest or most powerful
20. o__h of allegiance *n.* a solemn promise or affirmation, often made in a formal public setting, to do something or adhere to certain principles or beliefs; a formal declaration of one's commitment to a particular course of action, organization, or duty
21. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
22. pose a co_____um *n.* a confusing and difficult problem or question
23. sus_____le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
24. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
25. di_____ee with a plan *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
26. re_____te blood sugar levels *v.* to control something, especially by means of rules or laws
27. good will pr____l *v.* to be common, widespread, or frequent; to be the strongest or most powerful
28. de_____t from quality of life *v.* to diminish the value or worth of a quality or performance
29. li_____e renewal *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

ANSWERS: 19. prevail, 20. oath, 21. norm, 22. conundrum, 23. sustainable, 24. platform, 25. disagree, 26. regulate, 27. prevail, 28. detract, 29. license

38. 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
39. electronic de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
40. st__l seat *n.* a seat without a back or arms, typically used by one person; a piece of furniture with a flat top supported by one or more legs, used for working at or eating from; a piece of feces excreted from the body
41. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
42. promise an o__h *n.* a solemn promise or affirmation, often made in a formal public setting, to do something or adhere to certain principles or beliefs; a formal declaration of one's commitment to a particular course of action, organization, or duty
43. ta____al decision *adj.* relating to or constituting actions, plans, or strategies designed to achieve a particular purpose, especially an aggressive or political purpose; characterized by calculated planning, organization, and effectiveness

ANSWERS: 38. economy, 39. device, 40. stool, 41. nation, 42. oath, 43. tactical

44. emerging nat_____ate *n.* a sovereign political entity that is composed of a nation, which is a group of people who share a common cultural, linguistic, or ethnic identity
45. re_____te our conduct *v.* to control something, especially by means of rules or laws
46. li_____me ban from the sport *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
47. tra_____nal crime *adj.* relating to or involving activities, organizations, or individuals that cross national boundaries or operate in multiple countries; having a presence or influence in multiple countries or regions
48. de_____t from his fame *v.* to diminish the value or worth of a quality or performance
49. education en_____nt insurance *n.* a fund or financial support, either from a charitable organization or from an individual or group of individuals, to support a specific purpose or organization
50. an education gu_____ne *n.* a general rule or principle that provides guidance to appropriate behavior; a piece of advice or instructions that tell you how something should be done or what something should be
51. 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.

ANSWERS: 44. nation-state, 45. regulate, 46. lifetime, 47. transnational, 48. detract, 49. endowment, 50. guideline, 51. president

52. bl__e circumstances for the failure *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
53. pr____y abuse *n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
54. b_t my future *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
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57. basin-shaped va____y *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
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59. unf____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
60. gov____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
61. a com____nt to an alliance *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
62. tec____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress

ANSWERS: 52. blame, 53. privacy, 54. bet, 55. platform, 56. liberal, 57. valley, 58. appreciate, 59. unfortunately, 60. government, 61. commitment, 62. technological

63. tec_____cy ideology *n.* a system of government or social organization in which officials or experts in various fields have the primary decision-making power
64. s__p across the country *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
65. crystalline si_____n *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
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ANSWERS: 63. technocracy, 64. skip, 65. silicon, 66. pushback, 67. scoot, 68. government, 69. wisdom, 70. silicon

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ANSWERS: 71. blacksmith, 72. incentive, 73. nuclear, 74. nation, 75. steward, 76. mood, 77. cooperation, 78. privacy, 79. nation-state

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principles that guide such processes |
| 88. re__t against his way of thinking | <i>v.</i> to take action in response to something |
| 89. tec_____cal policy | <i>adj.</i> based on scientific and industrial
progress |
| 90. di_____s a person from the office | <i>v.</i> to regard something or someone as not
important and not worth considering; to
terminate someone's employment |

ANSWERS: 80. sustainable, 81. tug, 82. norm, 83. deploy, 84. appreciate, 85. individual, 86. convention, 87. governance, 88. react, 89. technological, 90. dismiss

91. di____l electronic signature *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
92. de____y troops for battle *v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
93. t_g at his hand *v.* to pull something quickly and hard, often several times
94. under li____l conditions *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
95. di____ee about a particular issue *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
96. st____d service *n.* a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.
97. dual cit______ip *n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
98. do____n of use *n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
99. di____s a matter with a laugh *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment

ANSWERS: 91. digital, 92. deploy, 93. tug, 94. liberal, 95. disagree, 96. steward, 97. citizenship, 98. domain, 99. dismiss

107. meet his com_____nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
108. va___y bottom *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
109. an int_____nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
110. s__p breakfast *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
111. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
112. good gov_____ce *n.* the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes
113. cit_____ip rights *n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
114. a dependent do___n *n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
115. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
116. go___n a public enterprise *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

ANSWERS: 107. commitment, 108. valley, 109. intelligence, 110. skip, 111. individual, 112. governance, 113. citizenship, 114. domain, 115. engineer, 116. govern

117. software li____e *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
118. even more unf____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
119. res____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
120. a public cor____on *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
121. a di____l watch *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
122. nuclear pro____ion *n.* a rapid or uncontrolled increase in the number or amount of something; the process of growing, producing, or spreading rapidly and excessively
123. a fountain of wi____m *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
124. a civil en____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

ANSWERS: 117. license, 118. unfortunately, 119. responsible, 120. corporation, 121. digital, 122. proliferation, 123. wisdom, 124. engineer

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
2. The _____ between businesses and universities created this groundbreaking product.
n. the act or situation of working together with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc.
3. Critics of _____ argue that it is inherently undemocratic, as it puts the power in the hands of a small, privileged elite.
n. a system of government or social organization in which officials or experts in various fields have the primary decision-making power
4. He took an _____ to uphold the law as a police officer.
n. a solemn promise or affirmation, often made in a formal public setting, to do something or adhere to certain principles or beliefs; a formal declaration of one's commitment to a particular course of action, organization, or duty
5. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.
adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
6. The company operates as a _____ corporation, with offices and operations in multiple countries.
adj. relating to or involving activities, organizations, or individuals that cross national boundaries or operate in multiple countries; having a presence or influence in multiple countries or regions

ANSWERS: 1. individual, 2. cooperation, 3. technocracy, 4. oath, 5. digital, 6. transnational

7. His terrible manners _____ from his good character.
- v.* to diminish the value or worth of a quality or performance
8. Four companies were amalgamated into a single _____.
- n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
9. The company signed a _____ with the supplier for the delivery of goods.
- n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
10. How did he _____ to your idea?
- v.* to take action in response to something
11. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
- n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
12. What is the entry _____ for this course?
- n.* something that is needed or wanted
13. They met at biennial _____.
- n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
14. In terms of _____ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.
- n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

ANSWERS: 7. detract, 8. corporation, 9. contract, 10. react, 11. engineer, 12. requirement, 13. conventions, 14. intelligence,

15. We must manage to _____ our expenditure.

- v.* to control something, especially by means of rules or laws

16. We _____ the topic because it was too complicated.

- v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

17. The _____ on the flight was very helpful in assisting passengers with their needs.

- n.* a person responsible for the management and care of another's property or for the supervision of the domestic staff of a large household or organization; a person in charge of arranging for the supply of food to a college, club, etc.

18. Her _____ application was denied due to a technical error.

- n.* the status of being a member of a particular country

19. The regulations _____ medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

- v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

20. 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.

21. The committee has decided to _____ the president from the post.

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

22. He is _____ in his thoughts.

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

ANSWERS: 15. regulate, 16. skipped, 17. steward, 18. citizenship, 19. governing, 20. president, 21. dismiss, 22. liberal

23. I have to _____ over to the next desk because there's not enough room for me to sit comfortably.

- v.* to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device

24. Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of _____ weapons.

- adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

25. I _____ for reasons already stated above.

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

26. The doctor asked me to provide a _____ sample for testing.

- n.* a seat without a back or arms, typically used by one person; a piece of furniture with a flat top supported by one or more legs, used for working at or eating from; a piece of feces excreted from the body

27. 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

28. His business _____ took him to the United States.

- n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

29. She had lived through two world wars in her _____.

- n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

ANSWERS: 23. scoot, 24. nuclear, 25. disagree, 26. stool, 27. economy, 28. commitments, 29. lifetime

30. This movie _____ at everyone's heartstrings.

v. to pull something quickly and hard, often several times

31. It is common for oppressive governments to _____ through violence, using military and police force to control their citizens and suppress dissent.

v. to be common, widespread, or frequent; to be the strongest or most powerful

32. We would _____ an early reply.

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

33. The _____ of fast-food restaurants has contributed to the obesity epidemic.

n. a rapid or uncontrolled increase in the number or amount of something; the process of growing, producing, or spreading rapidly and excessively

34. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

35. The United Nations assists countries in building strong _____ frameworks and institutions.

n. the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes

36. Some people argue that the rise of globalization has weakened the power of _____.

n. a sovereign political entity that is composed of a nation, which is a group of people who share a common cultural, linguistic, or ethnic identity

37. The company's _____ in the market was expanding to new territories.

n. a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise

ANSWERS: 30. tugs, 31. prevail, 32. appreciate, 33. proliferation, 34. Technological, 35. governance, 36. nation-states, 37. domain

38. This country _____ its weapons in the east region.

- v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way

39. Scientific knowledge will _____ significantly with the power of AI.

- v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

40. We _____ our impeded progress on lack of money.

- v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

41. 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

42. 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

43. I _____ that you know it.

- v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

44. They have no _____ to win the game.

- n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

45. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.

- adv.* by bad luck; unluckily

ANSWERS: 38. deployed, 39. advance, 40. blamed, 41. government, 42. responsible, 43. bet, 44. incentive, 45. unfortunately,

46. The army used _____ maneuvers to gain an advantage in battle.
adj. relating to or constituting actions, plans, or strategies designed to achieve a particular purpose, especially an aggressive or political purpose; characterized by calculated planning, organization, and effectiveness
47. His gaffe spoiled the _____ of the dinner party.
n. the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind
48. The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's _____.
n. the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
49. The _____ from the community on the proposed policy change was intense and widespread.
n. resistance, opposition, or an adverse reaction to a plan, idea, or proposal; a deliberate effort to resist, challenge, or oppose external pressure or influence; (verb) to resist or object to a proposal, idea, or plan
50. Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's _____.
n. an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
51. The _____ shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.
n. a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
52. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
53. _____ is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.
n. a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

ANSWERS: 46. tactical, 47. mood, 48. wisdom, 49. pushback, 50. license, 51. blacksmith, 52. norms, 53. Silicon

54. This conduct would be an invasion of _____.
- n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
55. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
56. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.
- n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
57. The _____ had received a mild snowfall the previous week.
- n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
58. The group faced a _____ when they couldn't decide whether to go hiking or to the beach.
- n.* a confusing and difficult problem or question
59. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.
- n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
60. The wealthy benefactor's _____ helped the university build a new library.
- n.* a fund or financial support, either from a charitable organization or from an individual or group of individuals, to support a specific purpose or organization
61. This book will be a practical _____ when coding.
- n.* a general rule or principle that provides guidance to appropriate behavior; a piece of advice or instructions that tell you how something should be done or what something should be

ANSWERS: 54. privacy, 55. nation, 56. device, 57. valley, 58. conundrum, 59. platform, 60. endowment, 61. guideline

62. The government should do more to support environmentally _____
agriculture.

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

ANSWERS: 62. sustainable