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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### meteorology

*n.* the branch of science that deals with processes in the Earth's atmosphere that cause weather conditions

(1) agricultural **meteorology**, (2) marine **meteorology**

He conducted his research at the **meteorology** laboratory using large-scale computing.

### degree

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

*synonym*: level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

### bachelor

*n.* an unmarried man; a person who holds an undergraduate degree from a college or university

*synonym*: unmarried man, single

(1) **bachelor** degree, (2) **bachelor** party

He decided to enjoy his freedom as a **bachelor** before settling down.

### prediction

*n.* the act of predicting the future by reasoning; a statement made about the future

*synonym*: forecast, anticipation, foretelling

(1) make my **predictions**, (2) gloomy **predictions**  
These results muddied the **prediction**.

## marshal

*n.* a military officer of high rank or a person in charge of organizing or leading a parade or public event; a law enforcement official or officer responsible for maintaining order and enforcing regulations; (verb) to organize, arrange, or gather together resources, information, or people in a deliberate and systematic manner

*synonym*: marshal, commander, organizer

(1) **marshal** the books into their proper places, (2) deputy **marshal**

The event organizer appointed a professional **marshal** to manage the flow of traffic.

## shepherd

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

*synonym*: herder, flock-keeper, sheepdog

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

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

## outdo

*v.* to do better than someone; to surpass

*synonym*: excel, surpass, outshine

(1) **outdo** him in trickery, (2) **outdo** the competition

He tried to **outdo** his rival by breaking the world record.

## 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.

## fairy

*n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers

*synonym*: sprite, pixie, elf

(1) **fairy** tale, (2) a water **fairy**

The mischievous **fairy** flew gracefully through the forest, spreading magic wherever she went.

## gravity

*n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

*synonym*: heaviness, attraction, weight

(1) the attraction of **gravity**, (2) preserve my **gravity**

The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of **gravity**.

## association

*n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship

*synonym*: affiliation, collaboration, society

(1) word **associations**, (2) a scholarship **association**

His membership in the **association** provided him with numerous benefits.

## advancement

*n.* the development, improvement, or progress of something

*synonym*: progression, breakthrough, improvement

(1) **advancement** of knowledge, (2) career **advancement**

Competition between countries resulted in fast technological **advancement**.

## query

*n.* a question or inquiry, often used in the context of research, information-gathering, or data analysis; a request for information

*synonym*: question, inquiry, investigation

(1) **query** language, (2) **query** result

I had a **query** about my bank statement and called customer service for an explanation.

## genetically

*adv.* in a way that relates to or is produced by genes (= the units in the cells of a living thing received by an animal

or plant from its parents) or heredity

*synonym*: hereditary, inherited, family-related

(1) **genetically** inherited traits, (2) **genetically** manipulated plant

The **genetically** modified crops were resistant to pests and required less water.

## modify

*v.* to change something slightly, such as a plan, option, law, etc., especially to make it more suitable for a particular purpose

*synonym*: adjust, alter, revise

(1) genetically **modify** food, (2) **modify** my behavior

We use adverbs to **modify** verbs and adjectives.

## 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.

## contribute

*v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

*synonym*: donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,

(2) **contribute** to society

Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

## beg

*v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something

*synonym*: plead, implore, entreat

(1) **beg** the question, (2) **beg** for help

She **begged** her parents to let her go to the concert.

## perception

*n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

*synonym*:

understanding, idea, awareness

(1) keen **perception**, (2) **perception** of a stimulus

He is a man admired for the depth of his **perception**.

## **bias**

*n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment

*synonym* : inclination, partiality, predilection

(1) **bias** against a big company, (2) have a **bias** toward socialism

She researched gender **bias** in politics.

## **confirmation**

*n.* a statement, often written, that shows that something is true, correct, or definite

*synonym* : validation, verification, affirmation

(1) **confirmation** of purchase, (2) **confirmation** bias

The **confirmation** of his appointment as CEO was met with mixed reactions.

## **cognitive**

*adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding

*synonym* : perceivable, mind, mental

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

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

## **dissonance**

*n.* a lack of harmony or agreement between people or things; a harsh or discordant combination of sounds

*synonym* : conflict, disharmony, disagreement

(1) cognitive **dissonance**, (2) musical **dissonance**

The **dissonance** between the two melodies created a sense of tension in the music.

## **fancy**

*v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy

*synonym* :

imagine, visualize, (noun) fantasy

(1) **fancy** a cup of coffee, (2) a flight of **fancy**

I don't **fancy** acting in such an important role.

## academic

*adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills

*synonym*: educational, scholarly, theoretical

(1) **academic** probation, (2) an **academic** discussion

An excellent historian must possess an **academic** mentality.

## recognize

*v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

*synonym*: acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

## guilty

*adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal

*synonym*: culpable, blameworthy, at fault

(1) feel a bit **guilty**, (2) **guilty** verdict

After much contemplation, the suspect decided to plead **guilty** to the theft charge.

## 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.

## chuckle

*n.* a soft, partly suppressed laugh; an act of laughing quietly; (verb) to laugh quietly or softly, often in a suppressed or restrained way

*synonym*: laugh, giggle, snicker

(1) **chuckle** at my cat's silly antics, (2) stifled **chuckle**

I couldn't help but let out a little **chuckle** when I saw the silly

photo my friend had sent me.

## fundamental

*adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

*synonym* : basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

## flaw

*n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

*synonym* : defect, fault, imperfection

(1) a minor **flaw**, (2) the **flaw** in the legislation

Even the slightest design **flaw** in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

## illustrate

*v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation

*synonym* : demonstrate, explain, exemplify

(1) **illustrate** a key point, (2) **illustrate** a story

The company's financial records **illustrate** how successful it has been.

## 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.

## necessarily

*adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

*synonym* : inevitable, certainly, automatically

(1) not **necessarily** a problem, (2) **necessarily** true

This accident was something that happened **necessarily**.

## scholar

*n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

*synonym* : professor, pupil, learner

(1) **scholar** in international politics, (2) noted **scholar**  
You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a **scholar**.

## peer

*n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability  
*synonym*: fellow, associate, counterpart

(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review

Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.

## terminology

*n.* the special words or phrases that are used within a particular field or subject; the language or jargon of a particular group or profession

*synonym*: jargon, lexicon, vocabulary

(1) industry **terminology**, (2) medical **terminology**

The instructor will provide a glossary of commonly used **terminology** at the beginning of the course.

## illusory

*adj.* not real or true; based on or having the nature of an illusion

*synonym*: illusive, deceptive, delusional

(1) **illusory** wealth, (2) **illusory** hope

The promise of easy money turned out to be **illusory**.

## superior

*adj.* better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others

*synonym*: better, greater, exceptional

(1) **superior** performance, (2) provide **superior** customer service

The new smartphone model is **superior** to the previous version in terms of speed and features.

## complexity

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

*synonym*: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

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

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



## underestimate

*v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is

*synonym*: underrate, misjudge, miscalculate

(1) **underestimate** an enemy, (2) **underestimate** the probability

They frequently **underestimated** their abilities and felt inferior.

## definition

*n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

*synonym*: description, connotation, meaning

(1) a precise **definition**, (2) the **definition** of a word

Parallel lines are, by **definition**, lines on the same plane that never cross.

## intelligent

*adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree

*synonym*: brilliant, clever, competent

(1) an **intelligent** person, (2) **intelligent** assisting system

**Intelligent** robots that can cooperate with humans have limited motor output for safety.

## rodent

*n.* a small, gnawing mammal, such as a mouse, rat, or squirrel, that has sharp incisors and typically has a long, thin tail

*synonym*: mouse, rat, hamster

(1) **rodent** repellent, (2) prevent **rodent** damage

He set up a trap to catch the **rodent**.

## forecast

*n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance

*synonym*: prediction, outlook, (verb) guess

(1) a weather **forecast**, (2) **forecast** an epidemic

Their team specializes in demand **forecasts** for our products.

## accurate

*adj.* correct and exact in all details

*synonym* : exact, precise, proper

(1) provide **accurate** information, (2) **accurate** measurements

The official transcript contains **accurate** academic records.

## almanac

*n.* a calendar that provides daily, monthly, and annual information on astronomical events, weather patterns, and other relevant topics; an annual publication that contains such information, along with predictions and advice for the coming year

*synonym* : annual, yearbook, chronicle

(1) **almanac** information, (2) planting **almanac**

I consult my astrological **almanac** every month to stay attuned to the movements of the planets and stars.

## occasional

*adj.* happening or appearing at irregular intervals; not constant or regular

*synonym* : infrequent, sporadic, irregular

(1) **occasional** visitor, (2) **occasional** assistance

She only visited her grandparents on **occasional** weekends.

## misinformation

*n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately

*synonym* : falsity, misreport, misstatement

(1) **misinformation** about a vaccine, (2) combat **misinformation** on social media

The government called for caution against pseudoscientific **misinformation** about vaccines.

## hurricane

*n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)

*synonym* : cyclone, typhoon, storm

(1) a **hurricane** of applause, (2) the ravages of a **hurricane**

The devastating **hurricane** caused widespread damage and left many people homeless.

## outlet

*n.* a means of release or expression, often for emotions or energy; a place of business that sells goods directly to customers; a device or opening through which something can flow out

*synonym*: opening, vent, aperture

(1) an **outlet** for water, (2) media **outlet**

The **outlet** in the bathroom was faulty, so I had to use a different one for my hair dryer.

## assign

*v.* to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone

*synonym*: entrust, delegate, designate

(1) **assign** projects, (2) **assign** top priority

Please **assign** a different color to each other kind of item.

## 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.

## fake

*adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

*synonym*: affected, bogus, counterfeit

(1) **fake** police officer, (2) spread of **fake** news

The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and **faked** it

## viral

*adj.* relating to or caused by a virus

(1) fight **viral** infections, (2) detect a **viral** code

This device can more accurately detect **viral** pathogens.

## 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.

## advisory

*adj.* giving advice or suggestions on a particular matter; having the function of providing recommendations or guidance

*synonym* : consultative, recommendatory

(1) **advisory** committee, (2) environmental **advisory**

The travel agent provided **advisory** services to the clients.

## committee

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

*synonym* : panel, board, council

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

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

## 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.

## wildfire

*n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope

*synonym* : blaze, bonfire, flame

(1) **wildfire** spread, (2) arson-caused **wildfire**

The **wildfire** destroyed hundreds of homes and forced thousands of people to evacuate.

## fascinating

*adj.* extremely interesting

*synonym* : alluring, intriguing, captivating

(1) **fascinating** story, (2) completely **fascinating** to me  
The museum houses a **fascinating** collection of Celtic artifacts.

## geek

*n.* a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed

*synonym*: nerd, dork, enthusiast

(1) airplane **geek**, (2) **geek** enthusiast

He was a computer **geek** and spent all his free time coding.

## observe

*v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

*synonym*: watch, monitor, scrutinize

(1) **observe** a tradition, (2) **observe** wildlife

It is important to **observe** safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

## predict

*v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

*synonym*: forecast, anticipate, foresee

(1) **predict** the future, (2) **predict** when she will arrive

It's notoriously challenging to **predict** birth rates.

## contribution

*n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause

*synonym*: donation, gift, offering

(1) make a positive **contribution**, (2) **contribution** to society

His **contribution** to the charity was a generous donation of money.

## landfall

*n.* the arrival or touching down of a ship, aircraft, or meteor on land after a voyage or journey; the first sighting or approach of land from the sea

*synonym* : shoreline, beachfront, landing place

(1) **landfall** location, (2) predicted **landfall**

The hurricane made **landfall** in the early morning hours, causing widespread damage.

## rainfall

*n.* the amount of rain that falls in a specific location at a particular moment

*synonym* : downpour, drizzle, rain

(1) the mean annual **rainfall**, (2) heavy **rainfall**

These plants thrive in hot climates with abundant **rainfall**.

## sigh

*v.* to emit a deep, audible breath or sound, often expressing feelings of tiredness, frustration, or relief; to express longing, wish, or regret; (noun) the act of exhaling audibly in a long, deep, and often melancholy way

*synonym* : breathe out, exhale, groan

(1) **sigh** deeply, (2) let out a **sigh**

He **sighed** in relief when he finally found his lost keys.

## amuse

*v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh

*synonym* : entertain, delight, divert

(1) **amuse** a baby with a rattle, (2) **amuse** guests

He **amused** himself by playing video games during his free time.

## struggle

*v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

*synonym* : toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

## perceive

*v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

*synonym*: sense, discern, feel

(1) **perceive** a threat, (2) **perceive** light

Australia is widely **perceived** as having low levels of corruption.

## flood

*n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

*synonym*: deluge, downpour, overflow

(1) **flood** advisory, (2) a **flood** of questions

These heavy rains caused flash **floods** on several islands.

## anomaly

*n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand

*synonym*: abnormality, irregularity, deviation

(1) **anomaly** detection, (2) global temperature **anomaly**

The sudden drop in the stock market was an **anomaly** that puzzled many investors.

## 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**.

## downgrade

*v.* to reduce in importance, rank, or status; to decrease the quality or value of something; to lower a score or rating; (noun) a negative change in the rating of a security, a company's stock, or a country's sovereign debt by a rating agency

*synonym*: demote, lower, reduce

(1) economic **downgrade**, (2) **downgrade** expectations

The company had to **downgrade** its earnings forecast for the quarter.

## upgrade

*v.* to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard

*synonym* : improve, boost, enrich

(1) **upgrade** a product, (2) **upgrade** work performance

It's an excellent opportunity to **upgrade** our networking.

## expand

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

*synonym* : extend, grow, boost

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

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

## radial

*adj.* of or relating to rays or the radii of a circle; spreading out from a central point

*synonym* : concentric, central, spoke-like

(1) **radial** symmetry, (2) in a **radial** direction

The **radial** design of the wheel allows for maximum strength and stability.

## pi

*n.* a mathematical constant that is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter, approximately equal to 3.14159

(1) the mathematical constant **pi**, (2) number **pi**

He can recite **pi** to 1000 digits.

## inventory

*n.* a complete list of all the items or goods held in stock by a business or organization; the act of making such a list

*synonym* : stock, supplies, goods

(1) **inventory** control, (2) annual **inventory**

The store manager took **inventory** of the products on the shelves to know what needed restocking.

## upbringing

*n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development

*synonym* : childhood, background, nurturing



(1) Catholic **upbringing**, (2) family **upbringing**

His strict **upbringing** instilled in him a strong sense of responsibility.

## perspective

*n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

*synonym*: viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle

His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

## faith

*n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

*synonym*: belief, trust, confidence

(1) religious **faith**, (2) **faith** in government

He kept his robust **faith** in his company.

## 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.

## consume

*v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

*synonym*: absorb, ingest, use up

(1) **consume** a large of alcohol, (2) **consume** electricity

A smaller car will **consume** less fuel.

## clip

*n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip

*synonym*: buckle, hook, pin

(1) tie **clip**, (2) short video **clip**

He fastens some sheets of paper with a **clip**.

## revered

*v.* highly respected or admired, often because of moral or spiritual qualities

*synonym*: respected, admired, honored

(1) **revered** figure, (2) the most **revered** President

The **revered** teacher was loved by her students.

## skeptic

*n.* a person who doubts or questions the truth of specific claims, beliefs, or doctrines, especially those in religion or the supernatural

*synonym*: doubter, disbeliever, questioner

(1) an ingrained **skeptic**, (2) climate **skeptic**

He was a **skeptic** who doubted the existence of supernatural phenomena.

## contrary

*n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired

*synonym*: opposing, contradictory, conflicting

(1) the clear **contrary**, (2) **contrary** evidence

The two sides argued their points, but the judge ultimately sided with the **contrary** viewpoint.

## engaging

*adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming

*synonym*: alluring, interesting, engrossing

(1) **engaging** story, (2) an **engaging** smile

She was disbarred for her **engaging** in fraud.

## 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.

## argument

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

*synonym*: debate, discourse, discussion

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

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

## doubt

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

*synonym*: distrust, suspect, mistrust

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

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

## 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.

## preserve

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

*synonym*: conserve, care for, maintain

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

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

## critic

*n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

*synonym*: pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. res\_\_\_\_\_le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
2. make a positive con\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
3. a water fa\_\_y *n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers
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7. st\_\_\_\_\_le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
8. keen per\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

ANSWERS: 1. responsible, 2. contribution, 3. fairy, 4. revered, 5. argument, 6. geek, 7. struggle, 8. perception

9. ev\_\_\_\_\_te the grant proposal      *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
10. ill\_\_\_\_\_te a story      *v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
11. con\_\_\_\_\_ion of purchase      *n.* a statement, often written, that shows that something is true, correct, or definite
12. ob\_\_\_\_\_e wildlife      *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
13. agricultural met\_\_\_\_\_gy      *n.* the branch of science that deals with processes in the Earth's atmosphere that cause weather conditions
14. gen\_\_\_\_\_ly inherited traits      *adv.* in a way that relates to or is produced by genes (= the units in the cells of a living thing received by an animal or plant from its parents) or heredity
15. preserve my gr\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
16. re\_\_\_\_\_ze achievement      *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
17. ill\_\_\_\_\_te a key point      *v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation

ANSWERS: 9. evaluate, 10. illustrate, 11. confirmation, 12. observe, 13. meteorology, 14. genetically, 15. gravity, 16. recognize, 17. illustrate

18. fas\_\_\_\_\_ng story *adj.* extremely interesting
19. feel a bit gu\_\_\_y *adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
20. fo\_\_\_\_\_st an epidemic *n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance
21. ac\_\_\_\_\_ic probation *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
22. an ou\_\_\_t for water *n.* a means of release or expression, often for emotions or energy; a place of business that sells goods directly to customers; a device or opening through which something can flow out
23. ba\_\_\_\_\_or degree *n.* an unmarried man; a person who holds an undergraduate degree from a college or university
24. co\_\_\_\_\_e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
25. up\_\_\_\_\_e work performance *v.* to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard
26. the mean annual ra\_\_\_\_\_ll *n.* the amount of rain that falls in a specific location at a particular moment
27. religious fa\_\_h *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

ANSWERS: 18. fascinating, 19. guilty, 20. forecast, 21. academic, 22. outlet, 23. bachelor, 24. consume, 25. upgrade, 26. rainfall, 27. faith

28. annual in\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* a complete list of all the items or goods held in stock by a business or organization; the act of making such a list
29. predicted la\_\_\_\_\_ll *n.* the arrival or touching down of a ship, aircraft, or meteor on land after a voyage or journey; the first sighting or approach of land from the sea
30. co\_\_\_\_\_t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
31. provide su\_\_\_\_\_or customer service *adj.* better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others
32. medical ter\_\_\_\_\_gy *n.* the special words or phrases that are used within a particular field or subject; the language or jargon of a particular group or profession
33. word ass\_\_\_\_\_ons *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
34. let out a s\_\_h *v.* to emit a deep, audible breath or sound, often expressing feelings of tiredness, frustration, or relief; to express longing, wish, or regret; (noun) the act of exhaling audibly in a long, deep, and often melancholy way
35. pr\_\_\_\_\_t when she will arrive *v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
36. ex\_\_\_\_\_d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

ANSWERS: 28. inventory, 29. landfall, 30. conduct, 31. superior, 32. terminology, 33. association, 34. sigh, 35. predict, 36. expand

37. am\_\_e guests *v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh
38. musical dis\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a lack of harmony or agreement between people or things; a harsh or discordant combination of sounds
39. bachelor's de\_\_\_e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
40. ad\_\_\_\_\_ry committee *adj.* giving advice or suggestions on a particular matter; having the function of providing recommendations or guidance
41. b\_\_s against a big company *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
42. ch\_\_\_\_\_e at my cat's silly antics *n.* a soft, partly suppressed laugh; an act of laughing quietly; (verb) to laugh quietly or softly, often in a suppressed or restrained way
43. effects of cl\_\_\_\_\_e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
44. an en\_\_\_\_\_ng smile *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
45. p\_\_r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
46. Catholic upb\_\_\_\_\_ng *n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development
47. ex\_\_\_d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

ANSWERS: 37. amuse, 38. dissonance, 39. degree, 40. advisory, 41. bias, 42. chuckle, 43. climate, 44. engaging, 45. peer, 46. upbringing, 47. expand



48. cognitive com\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
49. re\_\_\_\_\_ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
50. qu\_\_y result *n.* a question or inquiry, often used in the context of research, information-gathering, or data analysis; a request for information
51. pe\_\_\_\_\_ve light *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
52. the m\_\_d in a room *n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind
53. co\_\_\_\_\_ee meeting *n.* a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization
54. the f\_\_w in the legislation *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
55. 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.
56. und\_\_\_\_\_ate an enemy *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
57. deputy ma\_\_\_\_\_l *n.* a military officer of high rank or a person in charge of organizing or leading a parade or public event; a law enforcement official or officer responsible for maintaining order and enforcing regulations; (verb) to organize, arrange, or gather together resources, information, or people in a deliberate and systematic manner

ANSWERS: 48. complexity, 49. recognize, 50. query, 51. perceive, 52. mood, 53.

committee, 54. flaw, 55. satellite, 56. underestimate, 57. marshal

58. ou\_\_o the competition      *v.* to do better than someone; to surpass
59. s\_\_h deeply      *v.* to emit a deep, audible breath or sound, often expressing feelings of tiredness, frustration, or relief; to express longing, wish, or regret; (noun) the act of exhaling audibly in a long, deep, and often melancholy way
60. fa\_\_y a cup of coffee      *v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
61. the mathematical constant pi      *n.* a mathematical constant that is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter, approximately equal to 3.14159
62. cognitive dis\_\_\_\_\_ce      *n.* a lack of harmony or agreement between people or things; a harsh or discordant combination of sounds
63. co\_\_\_\_\_ry evidence      *n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
64. a seafaring na\_\_\_n      *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
65. a scholarship ass\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
66. an ac\_\_\_\_\_ic discussion      *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills

ANSWERS: 58. outdo, 59. sigh, 60. fancy, 61. pi, 62. dissonance, 63. contrary, 64. nation, 65. association, 66. academic

67. ob\_\_\_\_e a tradition *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
68. la\_\_\_\_ll location *n.* the arrival or touching down of a ship, aircraft, or meteor on land after a voyage or journey; the first sighting or approach of land from the sea
69. as\_\_\_\_n projects *v.* to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
70. per\_\_\_\_on of a stimulus *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
71. the clear co\_\_\_\_ry *n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
72. a chick's tw\_\_t *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
73. economic do\_\_\_\_de *v.* to reduce in importance, rank, or status; to decrease the quality or value of something; to lower a score or rating; (noun) a negative change in the rating of a security, a company's stock, or a country's sovereign debt by a rating agency
74. a flight of fa\_\_y *v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy

ANSWERS: 67. observe, 68. landfall, 69. assign, 70. perception, 71. contrary, 72. tweet, 73. downgrade, 74. fancy

75. cultural n\_\_m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
76. ra\_\_\_l symmetry *adj.* of or relating to rays or the radii of a circle; spreading out from a central point
77. b\_g the question *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
78. an ingrained sk\_\_\_\_c *n.* a person who doubts or questions the truth of specific claims, beliefs, or doctrines, especially those in religion or the supernatural
79. in\_\_\_\_\_ry control *n.* a complete list of all the items or goods held in stock by a business or organization; the act of making such a list
80. occ\_\_\_\_\_al assistance *adj.* happening or appearing at irregular intervals; not constant or regular
81. gloomy pre\_\_\_\_\_ons *n.* the act of predicting the future by reasoning; a statement made about the future
82. adv\_\_\_\_\_nt of knowledge *n.* the development, improvement, or progress of something
83. mis\_\_\_\_\_ion about a vaccine *n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately
84. no do\_\_t about the news *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
85. a fl\_\_d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

ANSWERS: 75. norm, 76. radial, 77. beg, 78. skeptic, 79. inventory, 80. occasional, 81. prediction, 82. advancement, 83. misinformation, 84. doubt, 85. flood

86. detect a vi\_\_l code *adj.* relating to or caused by a virus
87. al\_\_\_\_c information *n.* a calendar that provides daily, monthly, and annual information on astronomical events, weather patterns, and other relevant topics; an annual publication that contains such information, along with predictions and advice for the coming year
88. int\_\_\_\_\_nt assisting system *adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
89. severe cr\_\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
90. am\_\_e a baby with a rattle *v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh
91. tie c\_\_p *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
92. il\_\_\_\_ry hope *adj.* not real or true; based on or having the nature of an illusion
93. climate sk\_\_\_\_c *n.* a person who doubts or questions the truth of specific claims, beliefs, or doctrines, especially those in religion or the supernatural
94. genetically mo\_\_\_\_y food *v.* to change something slightly, such as a plan, option, law, etc., especially to make it more suitable for a particular purpose
95. gen\_\_\_\_\_ly manipulated plant *adv.* in a way that relates to or is produced by genes (= the units in the cells of a living thing received by an animal or plant from its parents) or heredity

ANSWERS: 86. viral, 87. almanac, 88. intelligent, 89. critic, 90. amuse, 91. clip, 92. illusory, 93. skeptic, 94. modify, 95. genetically

96. n\_\_m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
97. in an ugly m\_\_d *n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind
98. pe\_\_\_\_ve a threat *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
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
100. industry ter\_\_\_\_gy *n.* the special words or phrases that are used within a particular field or subject; the language or jargon of a particular group or profession
101. qu\_\_y language *n.* a question or inquiry, often used in the context of research, information-gathering, or data analysis; a request for information
102. in a ra\_\_\_l direction *adj.* of or relating to rays or the radii of a circle; spreading out from a central point
103. dispel do\_\_ts *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
104. provide ac\_\_\_\_te information *adj.* correct and exact in all details
105. na\_\_\_n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
106. the per\_\_\_\_ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

ANSWERS: 96. norm, 97. mood, 98. perceive, 99. dismiss, 100. terminology, 101. query, 102. radial, 103. doubt, 104. accurate, 105. nation, 106. perspective

107. mo\_\_\_y my behavior      *v.* to change something slightly, such as a plan, option, law, etc., especially to make it more suitable for a particular purpose
108. pr\_\_\_\_\_ve my strength      *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
109. con\_\_\_\_\_te a large sum of money to the fund      *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
110. the ravages of a hu\_\_\_\_\_ne      *n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
111. st\_\_\_\_\_le to get the job      *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
112. heavy ra\_\_\_\_\_ll      *n.* the amount of rain that falls in a specific location at a particular moment
113. co\_\_\_\_\_t research      *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
114. ev\_\_\_\_\_te a situation      *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
115. the def\_\_\_\_\_on of a word      *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
116. short video c\_\_p      *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip

ANSWERS: 107. modify, 108. preserve, 109. contribute, 110. hurricane, 111. struggle, 112. rainfall, 113. conduct, 114. evaluate, 115. definition, 116. clip



117. fl\_\_d advisory *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
118. an int\_\_\_\_\_nt person *adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
119. spread of f\_\_e news *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
120. a GPS 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.
121. en\_\_\_\_\_ng story *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
122. environmental ad\_\_\_\_\_ry *adj.* giving advice or suggestions on a particular matter; having the function of providing recommendations or guidance
123. g\_\_k enthusiast *n.* a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed
124. occ\_\_\_\_\_al visitor *adj.* happening or appearing at irregular intervals; not constant or regular
125. il\_\_\_\_\_ry wealth *adj.* not real or true; based on or having the nature of an illusion
126. nec\_\_\_\_\_ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
127. have a b\_\_s toward socialism *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment

ANSWERS: 117. flood, 118. intelligent, 119. fake, 120. satellite, 121. engaging, 122. advisory, 123. geek, 124. occasional, 125. illusory, 126. necessarily, 127. bias

128. ou\_\_o him in trickery *v.* to do better than someone; to surpass
129. a blazing ar\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
130. com\_\_\_\_\_ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
131. fight vi\_\_l infections *adj.* relating to or caused by a virus
132. und\_\_\_\_\_ate the probability *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
133. do\_\_\_\_\_de expectations *v.* to reduce in importance, rank, or status; to decrease the quality or value of something; to lower a score or rating; (noun) a negative change in the rating of a security, a company's stock, or a country's sovereign debt by a rating agency
134. fa\_\_h in government *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
135. global temperature an\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand
136. up\_\_\_\_\_e a product *v.* to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard

ANSWERS: 128. outdo, 129. argument, 130. complexity, 131. viral, 132. underestimate, 133. downgrade, 134. faith, 135. anomaly, 136. upgrade

137. pr\_\_\_\_\_t the future *v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
138. art cr\_\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
139. research on co\_\_\_\_\_ve psychology *adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding
140. an\_\_\_\_\_y detection *n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand
141. con\_\_\_\_\_te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
142. ac\_\_\_\_\_te measurements *adj.* correct and exact in all details
143. planting al\_\_\_\_\_c *n.* a calendar that provides daily, monthly, and annual information on astronomical events, weather patterns, and other relevant topics; an annual publication that contains such information, along with predictions and advice for the coming year
144. human ev\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
145. fun\_\_\_\_\_al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
146. media ou\_\_\_\_t *n.* a means of release or expression, often for emotions or energy; a place of business that sells goods directly to customers; a device or opening through which something can flow out

ANSWERS: 137. predict, 138. critic, 139. cognitive, 140. anomaly, 141. contribute, 142. accurate, 143. almanac, 144. evolution, 145. fundamental, 146. outlet

147. stifled ch\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a soft, partly suppressed laugh; an act of laughing quietly; (verb) to laugh quietly or softly, often in a suppressed or restrained way
148. di\_\_\_\_\_s a person from the office *v.* to regard something or someone as not important and not worth considering; to terminate someone's employment
149. as\_\_\_n top priority *v.* to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
150. a cold cl\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
151. co\_\_\_\_\_e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
152. his latest tw\_\_ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
153. noted sc\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
154. number pi *n.* a mathematical constant that is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter, approximately equal to 3.14159
155. con\_\_\_\_\_ion to society *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
156. sc\_\_\_\_\_r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

ANSWERS: 147. chuckle, 148. dismiss, 149. assign, 150. climate, 151. consume, 152. tweet, 153. scholar, 154. pi, 155. contribution, 156. scholar

157. sheep without a sh\_\_\_\_rd *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
158. pr\_\_\_\_ve a country's heritage *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
159. ro\_\_\_\_t repellent *n.* a small, gnawing mammal, such as a mouse, rat, or squirrel, that has sharp incisors and typically has a long, thin tail
160. fun\_\_\_\_al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
161. prevent ro\_\_\_\_t damage *n.* a small, gnawing mammal, such as a mouse, rat, or squirrel, that has sharp incisors and typically has a long, thin tail
162. arson-caused wi\_\_\_\_re *n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope
163. b\_g for help *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
164. su\_\_\_\_or performance *adj.* better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others
165. sh\_\_\_\_rd boy *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
166. wi\_\_\_\_re spread *n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope
167. a per\_\_\_\_ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

ANSWERS: 157. shepherd, 158. preserve, 159. rodent, 160. fundamental, 161. rodent, 162. wildfire, 163. beg, 164. superior, 165. shepherd, 166. wildfire, 167. perspective

168. make my pre\_\_\_\_\_ons *n.* the act of predicting the future by reasoning; a statement made about the future
169. a minor f\_\_w *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
170. con\_\_\_\_\_ion bias *n.* a statement, often written, that shows that something is true, correct, or definite
171. a precise def\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
172. gu\_\_\_y verdict *adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
173. career adv\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* the development, improvement, or progress of something
174. co\_\_\_\_\_ee member *n.* a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization
175. ba\_\_\_\_\_or party *n.* an unmarried man; a person who holds an undergraduate degree from a college or university
176. ma\_\_\_\_\_l the books into their proper places *n.* a military officer of high rank or a person in charge of organizing or leading a parade or public event; a law enforcement official or officer responsible for maintaining order and enforcing regulations; (verb) to organize, arrange, or gather together resources, information, or people in a deliberate and systematic manner

ANSWERS: 168. prediction, 169. flaw, 170. confirmation, 171. definition, 172. guilty, 173. advancement, 174. committee, 175. bachelor, 176. marshal

177. de\_\_\_e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
178. fa\_\_y tale *n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers
179. ev\_\_\_\_\_on theory *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
180. completely fas\_\_\_\_\_ng to me *adj.* extremely interesting
181. the attraction of gr\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
182. f\_\_e police officer *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
183. a hu\_\_\_\_\_ne of applause *n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
184. res\_\_\_\_\_le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
185. a weather fo\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance
186. p\_\_r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability

ANSWERS: 177. degree, 178. fairy, 179. evolution, 180. fascinating, 181. gravity, 182. fake, 183. hurricane, 184. responsible, 185. forecast, 186. peer

187. re\_\_\_\_\_d figure *v.* highly respected or admired, often because of moral or spiritual qualities
188. marine met\_\_\_\_\_gy *n.* the branch of science that deals with processes in the Earth's atmosphere that cause weather conditions
189. family upb\_\_\_\_\_ng *n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development
190. not nec\_\_\_\_\_ly a problem *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
191. combat mis\_\_\_\_\_ion on social media *n.* information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately
192. improve co\_\_\_\_\_ve function *adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding

ANSWERS: 187. revered, 188. meteorology, 189. upbringing, 190. necessarily, 191. misinformation, 192. cognitive



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The company had to \_\_\_\_\_ its earnings forecast for the quarter.
  - v. to reduce in importance, rank, or status; to decrease the quality or value of something; to lower a score or rating; (noun) a negative change in the rating of a security, a company's stock, or a country's sovereign debt by a rating agency
  
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of his appointment as CEO was met with mixed reactions.
  - n. a statement, often written, that shows that something is true, correct, or definite
  
3. These results muddied the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - n. the act of predicting the future by reasoning; a statement made about the future
  
4. The government called for caution against pseudoscientific \_\_\_\_\_ about vaccines.
  - n. information that is false or inaccurate, or the act of giving wrong information, especially deliberately
  
5. Competition between countries resulted in fast technological \_\_\_\_\_.
  - n. the development, improvement, or progress of something
  
6. This device can more accurately detect \_\_\_\_\_ pathogens.
  - adj. relating to or caused by a virus
  
7. The travel agent provided \_\_\_\_\_ services to the clients.
  - adj. giving advice or suggestions on a particular matter; having the function of providing recommendations or guidance
  
8. She \_\_\_\_\_ her parents to let her go to the concert.
  - v. to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something

ANSWERS: 1. downgrade, 2. confirmation, 3. prediction, 4. misinformation, 5. advancement, 6. viral, 7. advisory, 8. begged

9. It's an excellent opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_ our networking.
- v.* to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard
10. He can recite \_\_\_ to 1000 digits.
- n.* a mathematical constant that is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter, approximately equal to 3.14159
11. Government workers cannot \_\_\_\_\_ to political campaigns.
- v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
12. The museum houses a \_\_\_\_\_ collection of Celtic artifacts.
- adj.* extremely interesting
13. The \_\_\_\_\_ destroyed hundreds of homes and forced thousands of people to evacuate.
- n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope
14. The hurricane made \_\_\_\_\_ in the early morning hours, causing widespread damage.
- n.* the arrival or touching down of a ship, aircraft, or meteor on land after a voyage or journey; the first sighting or approach of land from the sea
15. This accident was something that happened \_\_\_\_\_.
- adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
16. A smaller car will \_\_\_\_\_ less fuel.
- v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

ANSWERS: 9. upgrade, 10. pi, 11. contribute, 12. fascinating, 13. wildfire, 14. landfall, 15. necessarily, 16. consume

17. He \_\_\_\_\_ in relief when he finally found his lost keys.

- v.* to emit a deep, audible breath or sound, often expressing feelings of tiredness, frustration, or relief; to express longing, wish, or regret; (noun) the act of exhaling audibly in a long, deep, and often melancholy way

18. Human behavior has \_\_\_\_\_ characteristics.

- adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

19. 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

20. Parallel lines are, by \_\_\_\_\_ lines on the same plane that never cross.

- n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

21. Police will \_\_\_\_\_ random breath testing for drunk driving.

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

22. The ad hoc \_\_\_\_\_ met to discuss the proposal.

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

23. It's important to \_\_\_\_\_ your strengths and weaknesses.

- v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

24. His \_\_\_\_\_ faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.

- adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding

ANSWERS: 17. sighed, 18. fundamental, 19. nation, 20. definition, 21. conduct, 22. committee, 23. recognize, 24. cognitive

25. It is important to \_\_\_\_\_ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.
- v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
26. The store manager took \_\_\_\_\_ of the products on the shelves to know what needed restocking.
- n.* a complete list of all the items or goods held in stock by a business or organization; the act of making such a list
27. The company's financial records \_\_\_\_\_ how successful it has been.
- v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
28. I don't \_\_\_\_\_ acting in such an important role.
- v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
29. An excellent historian must possess an \_\_\_\_\_ mentality.
- adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
30. He conducted his research at the \_\_\_\_\_ laboratory using large-scale computing.
- n.* the branch of science that deals with processes in the Earth's atmosphere that cause weather conditions
31. He decided to enjoy his freedom as a \_\_\_\_\_ before settling down.
- n.* an unmarried man; a person who holds an undergraduate degree from a college or university

ANSWERS: 25. observe, 26. inventory, 27. illustrate, 28. fancy, 29. academic, 30. meteorology, 31. bachelor

32. He fastens some sheets of paper with a \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
33. The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
34. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his rival by breaking the world record.
- v.* to do better than someone; to surpass
35. He set up a trap to catch the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a small, gnawing mammal, such as a mouse, rat, or squirrel, that has sharp incisors and typically has a long, thin tail
36. The instructor will provide a glossary of commonly used \_\_\_\_\_ at the beginning of the course.
- n.* the special words or phrases that are used within a particular field or subject; the language or jargon of a particular group or profession
37. The official transcript contains \_\_\_\_\_ academic records.
- adj.* correct and exact in all details
38. They worked hard to \_\_\_\_\_ the nature of their native lands.
- v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
39. The \_\_\_\_\_ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.
- n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

ANSWERS: 32. clip, 33. gravity, 34. outdo, 35. rodent, 36. terminology, 37. accurate, 38. preserve, 39. argument

40. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
41. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the bathroom was faulty, so I had to use a different one for my hair dryer.  
*n.* a means of release or expression, often for emotions or energy; a place of business that sells goods directly to customers; a device or opening through which something can flow out
42. The \_\_\_\_\_ teacher was loved by her students.  
*v.* highly respected or admired, often because of moral or spiritual qualities
43. I had a \_\_\_\_\_ about my bank statement and called customer service for an explanation.  
*n.* a question or inquiry, often used in the context of research, information-gathering, or data analysis; a request for information
44. 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.
45. He was a \_\_\_\_\_ who doubted the existence of supernatural phenomena.  
*n.* a person who doubts or questions the truth of specific claims, beliefs, or doctrines, especially those in religion or the supernatural
46. Australia is widely \_\_\_\_\_ as having low levels of corruption.  
*v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

ANSWERS: 40. norms, 41. outlet, 42. revered, 43. query, 44. satellite, 45. skeptic, 46. perceived

47. The devastating \_\_\_\_\_ caused widespread damage and left many people homeless.
- n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
48. They frequently \_\_\_\_\_ their abilities and felt inferior.
- v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
49. The project's \_\_\_\_\_ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
- n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
50. He was a computer \_\_\_\_\_ and spent all his free time coding.
- n.* a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed
51. He could not \_\_\_\_\_ against temptation.
- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
52. The \_\_\_\_\_ design of the wheel allows for maximum strength and stability.
- adj.* of or relating to rays or the radii of a circle; spreading out from a central point
53. His membership in the \_\_\_\_\_ provided him with numerous benefits.
- n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
54. She was disbarred for her \_\_\_\_\_ in fraud.
- adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming

ANSWERS: 47. hurricane, 48. underestimated, 49. complexity, 50. geek, 51. struggle, 52. radial, 53. association, 54. engaging

55. \_\_\_\_\_ robots that can cooperate with humans have limited motor output for safety.  
*adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
56. I consult my astrological \_\_\_\_\_ every month to stay attuned to the movements of the planets and stars.  
*n.* a calendar that provides daily, monthly, and annual information on astronomical events, weather patterns, and other relevant topics; an annual publication that contains such information, along with predictions and advice for the coming year
57. His strict \_\_\_\_\_ instilled in him a strong sense of responsibility.  
*n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development
58. The sudden drop in the stock market was an \_\_\_\_\_ that puzzled many investors.  
*n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand
59. His father's death changed his whole \_\_\_\_\_ on life.  
*n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
60. She received her \_\_\_\_\_ in psychology from the university.  
*n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
61. The two sides argued their points, but the judge ultimately sided with the \_\_\_\_\_ viewpoint.  
*n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired

ANSWERS: 55. Intelligent, 56. almanac, 57. upbringing, 58. anomaly, 59. perspective, 60. degree, 61. contrary



62. He is a man admired for the depth of his \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

63. His gaffe spoiled the \_\_\_\_\_ of the dinner party.

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

64. These plants thrive in hot climates with abundant \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the amount of rain that falls in a specific location at a particular moment

65. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

66. We use adverbs to \_\_\_\_\_ verbs and adjectives.

- v.* to change something slightly, such as a plan, option, law, etc., especially to make it more suitable for a particular purpose

67. The event organizer appointed a professional \_\_\_\_\_ to manage the flow of traffic.

- n.* a military officer of high rank or a person in charge of organizing or leading a parade or public event; a law enforcement official or officer responsible for maintaining order and enforcing regulations; (verb) to organize, arrange, or gather together resources, information, or people in a deliberate and systematic manner

68. She only visited her grandparents on \_\_\_\_\_ weekends.

- adj.* happening or appearing at irregular intervals; not constant or regular

ANSWERS: 62. perception, 63. mood, 64. rainfall, 65. scholar, 66. modify, 67. marshal, 68. occasional

69. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
70. 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
71. \_\_\_\_\_ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.
- n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
72. The \_\_\_\_\_ modified crops were resistant to pests and required less water.
- adv.* in a way that relates to or is produced by genes (= the units in the cells of a living thing received by an animal or plant from its parents) or heredity
73. Please \_\_\_\_\_ a different color to each other kind of item.
- v.* to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
74. The mischievous \_\_\_\_\_ flew gracefully through the forest, spreading magic wherever she went.
- n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers
75. The meeting aims to \_\_\_\_\_ possible choices.
- v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
76. 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

ANSWERS: 69. critics, 70. tweet, 71. Doubt, 72. genetically, 73. assign, 74. fairy, 75. evaluate, 76. responsible

77. They hope to \_\_\_\_\_ their business worldwide.

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

78. 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

79. Their team specializes in demand \_\_\_\_\_ for our products.

*n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance

80. The \_\_\_\_\_ dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.

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

81. Even the slightest design \_\_\_\_\_ in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

*n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

82. His \_\_\_\_\_ to the charity was a generous donation of money.

*n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause

83. The \_\_\_\_\_ between the two melodies created a sense of tension in the music.

*n.* a lack of harmony or agreement between people or things; a harsh or discordant combination of sounds

84. The promise of easy money turned out to be \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* not real or true; based on or having the nature of an illusion

ANSWERS: 77. expand, 78. dismiss, 79. forecasts, 80. shepherd's, 81. flaw, 82. contribution, 83. dissonance, 84. illusory

85. He \_\_\_\_\_ himself by playing video games during his free time.

*v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh

86. It's notoriously challenging to \_\_\_\_\_ birth rates.

*v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

87. These heavy rains caused flash \_\_\_\_\_ on several islands.

*n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

88. After much contemplation, the suspect decided to plead \_\_\_\_\_ to the theft charge.

*adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal

89. The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and \_\_\_\_\_ it

*adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

90. They study the \_\_\_\_\_ of the universe.

*n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things

91. The new smartphone model is \_\_\_\_\_ to the previous version in terms of speed and features.

*adj.* better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others

92. He kept his robust \_\_\_\_\_ in his company.

*n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

ANSWERS: 85. amused, 86. predict, 87. floods, 88. guilty, 89. faked, 90. evolution, 91. superior, 92. faith

93. \_\_\_\_\_ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

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

94. I couldn't help but let out a little \_\_\_\_\_ when I saw the silly photo my friend had sent me.

*n.* a soft, partly suppressed laugh; an act of laughing quietly; (verb) to laugh quietly or softly, often in a suppressed or restrained way

95. Among young people, \_\_\_\_\_ pressure can be pretty influential.

*n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability

96. She researched gender \_\_\_\_\_ in politics.

*n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment

ANSWERS: 93. Climate, 94. chuckle, 95. peer, 96. bias