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Session 1: Word List

dinosaur

n. a large extinct reptile, often with an armored back, long neck, tail, and bony plates on the skin

synonym: reptile, beast, monster

(1) hulking **dinosaur**, (2) **dinosaur** fossil

The discovery of a new **dinosaur** species made headlines in the scientific community.

upside

n. the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something

synonym: advantage, benefit, top

(1) have no **upside**, (2) market **upside**

Many people see the **upside** of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.

toy

n. a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children

synonym: plaything, game, trinket

(1) **toy** store, (2) **toy** box

He gave his daughter a new **toy** for her birthday.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

feat

n. a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

synonym: achievement, accomplishment, exploit

(1) intellectual **feat**, (2) **feat** accomplishment

It is an incredible **feat** to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

motor

n. a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work

synonym: actuator, engine, machine

(1) a **motor** mechanic, (2) DC **motor** control

Energy-efficient **motors** are needed to maximize the cruising distance of electric vehicles.

infrared

adj. relating to or denoting electromagnetic radiation with a wavelength just longer than that of red light but shorter than that of microwave radiation, used for sensing heat and for remote control

synonym: thermal, warm, radiant

(1) an **infrared** lamp, (2) **infrared** radiation

The **infrared** camera revealed a hidden image on the surface.

tilt

v. to incline or bend from a vertical position; (noun) the act of inclining or the state of being inclined or leaning to one side

synonym: incline, slant, lean

(1) on the **tilt**, (2) **tilt** a chair

She **tilted** her head to the side, indicating she was listening.

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.

pet *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

(1) a **pet** bird, (2) a teacher's **pet**

I have a parrot as a **pet**.

weird *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
synonym: bizarre, creepy, peculiar

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**

My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

maternal *adj.* relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child
synonym: motherly, maternalistic, maternal-like

(1) on the **maternal** side, (2) **maternal** care

She had a very **maternal** instinct towards her newborn baby.

squirm *v.* to twist, wiggle, or contort the body uncomfortably or awkwardly, often due to embarrassment, discomfort, or nervousness

synonym: squiggle, wiggle, writhe

(1) **squirm** uncomfortably, (2) **squirm** with excitement

The child **squirmed** out of his mother's grasp and ran off.

compel *v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way

synonym: force, oblige, coerce

(1) **compel** a person to submission, (2) **compel** attention

The strict deadlines will **compel** the team to work efficiently.

observation *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone

synonym: watching, notice, reflection

(1) class **observation** day, (2) **observation** instrument

In the hospital, she will remain under constant **observation**.

spark

v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

synonym: start, inspire, provoke

(1) **spark** his interest, (2) **spark** a chain reaction

The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate **sparked** turmoil in the stock market.

curiosity

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

synonym: interest, inquisitiveness, novelty

(1) boundless **curiosity**, (2) satisfy my intellectual **curiosity**

We are motivated by **curiosity** rather than necessity.

pursue

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

synonym: seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

comfort

n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

synonym: ease, solace, coziness

(1) words of **comfort**, (2) **comfort** level

He found **comfort** in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

discovery

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

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

awkward

adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

synonym : embarrassing, discomfiting, clumsy

(1) an **awkward** expression, (2) an **awkward** date

The **awkward** design of the interface made the operation difficult.

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym : more and more, progressively

(1) **increasingly** become common, (2) face **increasingly** complicated challenges

Our company found it **increasingly** difficult to keep up with the competition.

integrate

v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

synonym : mix, merge, combine

(1) **integrate** into the existing system, (2) **integrate** both businesses

He found that it is difficult to **integrate** socially.

instinct

n. an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

synonym : intuition, aptitude, feeling

(1) **instinct** for self-preservation, (2) aggressive **instinct**

When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial **instinct** was to flee.

consequence

n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

synonym : result, impact, outcome

(1) unintended **consequences**, (2) the **consequence** of an argument

These economic activities had disastrous environmental **consequences**.

statistics

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**
The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

military

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
synonym : armed, martial, warlike
(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader
The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

defuse

v. to reduce or eliminate the tension, anger, or hostility in a situation, especially a potentially explosive one, by calming, soothing, or pacifying those involved
synonym : calm, reduce, deactivate
(1) **defuse** a crisis, (2) **defuse** a bomb
The negotiator skillfully **defused** the tense situation with calm words and gestures.

stick

v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
synonym : pierce, adhere, stay
(1) **stick** a key in a lock, (2) fire **stick**
You **stick** a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

insect

n. any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections
(1) **insect** antenna, (2) **insect** biology
These **insects** are more prevalent above a certain latitude.

minefield

n. an area or situation that contains a hidden danger or risk, particularly a literal minefield of explosives or a

figurative minefield of potential problems or missteps
synonym : hazard, danger, obstacle course

(1) enter a political **minefield**, (2) navigate the **minefield**
The corporate restructuring process was a **minefield** with many obstacles that needed to be navigated.

colonel

n. a military rank above a lieutenant colonel and below a general

synonym : officer, military, ranking officer

(1) **colonel** rank, (2) brevet **colonel**

The Army **colonel** led the troops into battle.

inhumane

adj. lacking compassion or mercy towards humans or animals; causing or involving extreme physical or mental pain

synonym : cruel, brutal, barbaric

(1) **inhumane** forms of punishment, (2) **inhumane** living conditions

The conditions at the factory were deemed **inhumane** and caused outrage among the public.

dam

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

synonym : barricade, barrier, embankment

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

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

drag

v. to pull or haul with force

synonym : haul, pull, draw

(1) **drag** a chair over, (2) **drag** a team down

He **dragged** the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

prime

adj. main or most important; basic

synonym : excellent, exceptional, premium

(1) **prime** number, (2) deputy **prime** minister

After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the

prime suspect.

fiction

n. the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true

synonym: fantasy, fable, invention

(1) stuff of science **fiction**, (2) non- **fiction** bestseller

Truth is stranger than **fiction**.

biology

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

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

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

hardwired

adj. built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics

synonym: innate, ingrained, automatic

(1) **hardwired** behavior, (2) **hardwired** connection

The instinct to protect one's offspring is **hardwired** into many animal species.

intent

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

synonym: purpose, aim, goal

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

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

movement

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

synonym: motion, progression, action

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

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

autonomous

adj. capable of governing or controlling its affairs

synonym : independent, self-governing, self-reliant

(1) development of **autonomous** vehicles, (2) an **autonomous** judiciary

Five of the six provinces will become **autonomous** regions under the new federal system of government.

bomb

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

synonym : missile, explosive, ammunition

(1) atomic **bombs**, (2) disarm the **bomb**

The use of cluster **bombs** is strictly prohibited by international law.

dispose

v. to put things or people in a particular manner or position; to incline someone towards a specific activity or mood; throw or cast away

synonym : get rid of, arrange, set

(1) **dispose** battleships for a battle, (2) **dispose** of a used product

Generally speaking, the child is innately **disposed** to learn a language.

medal

n. a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor

synonym : award, decoration, badge

(1) gold **medal**, (2) a prize **medal**

She was proud to receive a **medal** for her hard work and dedication to the sport.

salute

v. to show respect or recognition for someone or something, often by making a gesture or performing an action; to greet or acknowledge someone in a formal or

ceremonious way

synonym : greet, acknowledge, acclaim

(1) **salute** to the flag, (2) **salute** him in military fashion

The soldiers stood at attention to **salute** their commanding officer.

vacuum

n. a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction

synonym : void, emptiness, gap

(1) **vacuum** cleaner, (2) **vacuum** packing

Please use the **vacuum** to clean up the mess on the floor.

disk

n. a flat, circular plate, typically made of metal, glass, or plastic, used for storing data or playing music

synonym : record, platter, plate

(1) **disk** drive, (2) **disk** space

The computer's hard **disk** was full, so she had to delete some files.

roam

v. to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander

synonym : wander, ramble, meander

(1) **roam** freely, (2) **roam** the countryside

I love to **roam** around the city and discover new neighborhoods.

couch

n. a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

synonym : sofa, settee, divan

(1) leather **couch**, (2) a **couch** potato

I love to relax on the **couch** and watch movies on the weekends.

specifically

adv. only associated with or meant for one thing

synonym : especially, particularly, notably

(1) designed **specifically** for men, (2) for **specifically**

American customers

This ad campaign is aimed **specifically** at young women.

evoke

v. to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind

synonym : arouse, raise, inspire

(1) **evoke** a sense of awe, (2) **evoke** sympathy

This movie is likely to **evoke** strong emotions in the viewer.

automatically

adv. without needing a direct human control

synonym : mechanically, unconsciously, spontaneously

(1) record driving **automatically**, (2) **automatically** adjusted

Our subscription plan is **automatically** renewed.

subconsciously

adv. in a way that is not fully conscious or aware of

synonym : unconsciously, without thinking

(1) **subconsciously** influenced, (2) controlled

subconsciously

He **subconsciously** picked at his cuticles while he was on the phone.

associate

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

synonym : tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

interaction

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

synonym : dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,

(2) **interaction** among human beings

The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

uncomfortable

adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
synonym : comfortless, discomforting, painful

(1) an **uncomfortable** silence, (2) with an **uncomfortable** face

His abusive words made me **uncomfortable**.

cue

n. a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something

synonym : signal, sign, hint

(1) **cue** card, (2) visual **cue**

The director gave the actor a **cue** to begin the scene.

lifelike

adj. resembling or appearing similar to something alive or real, often realistically or vividly; convincing or authentic in appearance or behavior

synonym : realistic, naturalistic, vivid

(1) **lifelike** painting, (2) **lifelike** animation

The artist created a **lifelike** sculpture of a famous politician for the town square.

robotic

adj. of or relating to mechanical robots; (robotics) the interdisciplinary branch of computer science and engineering with the practical use of robots

synonym : automated, mechanical, laborsaving

(1) **robotic** arm, (2) **robotic** guide operation

The surgeon removed the tumor using **robotic** video assistance.

decision

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

synonym : choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

analogy

n. a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept

synonym: metaphor, comparison, parallel

(1) draw **analogy**, (2) historical **analogy**

Some kinds of machine learning models show an **analogy** to how people learn.

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym: association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

domesticate

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

synonym: tame, naturalize, cultivate

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

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

weaponry

n. a collection of weapons (e.g., guns, knives, bombs, missiles, etc.) used or owned by a particular individual, group, military, or country

synonym: arms, munition, artillery

(1) **weaponry** development, (2) advanced **weaponry**

The army used various **weaponry** to defend the country from attack.

companion

n. a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel

synonym: affiliate, fellow, mate

(1) a working **companion**, (2) drinking **companions**

Her dog is her excellent **companion**.

plausible

adj. seeming reasonable or likely to be true, and therefore convincing

synonym : probable, conceivable, credible

(1) **plausible** explanation, (2) a **plausible** liar

She could find no **plausible** explanation for its failure.

develop

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

synonym : evolve, progress, advance

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

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

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.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym : affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

attach

v. to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another

synonym : fix, fasten, bind

(1) **attach** firmly, (2) **attach** a file to an e-mail

He does not **attach** importance to these rumors.

inefficient

adj. lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.

synonym : ineffective, counterproductive, inadequate

(1) **inefficient** use, (2) **inefficient** management

The system is still so **inefficient** that it is useless.

foster

v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents

synonym : nurture, nourish, cultivate

(1) **foster** a better relationship, (2) **foster** two kids

The pastor contributed to **fostering** the sense of a community embracing all classes.

autism

n. a developmental disorder characterized by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication

(1) high-functioning **autism**, (2) **autism** spectrum disorder

There is no cure for **autism**, but early intervention and therapy can improve outcomes for individuals with the condition.

engage

v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

synonym : confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,

(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

patient

n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

synonym : client, recipient, subject

(1) **patient** in the hospital, (2) **patient** with weight loss

The doctor carefully examined the **patient's** medical history.

seal

v. to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions

and comes on shore to breed

synonym : enclose, shut, close

(1) **seal** a hole, (2) a fur **seal**

He **sealed** the letter with hot wax.

nurse

n. a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

synonym : healthcare worker, caregiver, medic

(1) **nurse** practitioner, (2) a volunteer **nurse**

The night shift **nurse** checked my vital signs before administering the medication.

dementia

n. a severe decline in cognitive function, especially memory, as a result of disease or injury

synonym : cognitive decline, memory loss, Alzheimer's disease

(1) **dementia** patients, (2) probably have **dementia**

The study found that regular exercise can help to prevent the onset of **dementia** in older age.

horrible

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

synonym : dreadful, terrible, awful

(1) **horrible** accident, (2) **horrible** smell

The experience was **horrible** and left a lasting impression.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym : completely, utterly, definitely

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

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

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym : substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone

Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

therapy

n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.

synonym : antidote, medicine, treatment

(1) **therapy** for a patient, (2) field of gene **therapy**

I underwent aversion **therapy** for my addiction to alcohol.

context

n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

synonym : background, setting, environment

(1) historical **context**, (2) legal **context**

It's important to understand the **context** of a situation before making a decision.

consistent

adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

synonym : coherent, constant, compatible

(1) do on a **consistent** basis, (2) get **consistent** results

You are not **consistent** in your behavior.

acknowledge

v. to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

synonym : accept, agree, declare

(1) **acknowledge** the deed, (2) **acknowledge** his help

He never **acknowledged** his fault.

anticipate

v. to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance

synonym : forecast, predict, expect

(1) **anticipate** your kind cooperation, (2) **anticipate** a black future

We **anticipate** heavy snowfall tomorrow.

intimate

adj. having a very close friendship, personal

synonym : close, tight, friendly

(1) my **intimate** affairs, (2) **intimate** relationship

He has an **intimate** knowledge of American history.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

synonym : chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

compelling

adj. arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration

synonym : tempting, captivating, influential

(1) tell a **compelling** story, (2) new and **compelling** evidence

His **compelling** presentation deeply moved everyone.

app

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

synonym : application, software

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

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

capitalism

n. an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit

synonym : commercialism

(1) advance **capitalism**, (2) under the umbrella of **capitalism**

Capitalism also guarantees intellectual property rights and thus promotes innovation.

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.

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**.

initial

adj. of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
synonym: basic, primary, beginning

(1) **initial** velocity, (2) an **initial** letter
They took the **initial** step toward reconciliation.

workshop

n. a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group
synonym: studio, laboratory, atelier

(1) **workshop** attendee, (2) carpentry **workshop**
The artist held a **workshop** to teach students how to paint with watercolors.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody
synonym: cooperate, combine, collaborate

(1) **interact** directly with customers, (2) **interact** with one another
He should **interact** more with his colleagues.

unveil

v. to reveal or make something publicly known, especially for the first time
synonym: reveal, uncover, expose

(1) **unveil** a monument, (2) **unveil** a comprehensive plan
The company plans to **unveil** its new product at the trade show next week.

hatchet

n. a small, lightweight axe used for chopping or cutting wood; a tool used for smoothing and shaping metal or stone

synonym : ax, cleaver, tomahawk

(1) **hatchet** job, (2) steel **hatchet** head

The woodsman used a sharp **hatchet** to chop firewood for the winter.

torture

n. the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

synonym : torment, abuse, mistreatment

(1) a **torture** chamber, (2) an instrument of **torture**

The use of **torture** is strictly prohibited under international law.

dramatic

adj. very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement

synonym : striking, theatrical, breathtaking

(1) make **dramatic** changes, (2) a **dramatic** rescue at sea

The statement had a **dramatic** impact on house prices.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym : take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

strike

v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

synonym : hit, impact, influence

(1) **strike** up a conversation, (2) **strike** a blow

We **strike** to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

improvise

v. to create or perform something on the spot, without preparation or planning; to use what one has available to do or create something

synonym : ad-lib, extemporize

(1) **improvise** a joke, (2) **improvise** an escape plan

We had to **improvise** a tent using a tarp and sticks since we didn't have a proper one.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym : demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

wince

v. to make a slight involuntary grimace or shrinking movement due to pain, distress, or embarrassment;
(noun) a facial expression or bodily gesture of pain, discomfort, or embarrassment in response to an unpleasant or unwelcome stimulus

synonym : flinch, grimace, twitch

(1) **wince** at the sound, (2) a slight **wince**

He **wincing** as he saw his favorite vase fall and shatter on the ground.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym : quiet, hushed, mute

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

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

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

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

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

lab

n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

synonym : workshop, laboratory, research chamber

(1) **lab** instrument, (2) medical **lab**

The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's **lab**.

smashing

adj. very successful or impressive; causing something to be broken or destroyed

synonym : great, wonderful, breaking

(1) a **smashing** blow, (2) give **smashing** results

The band's new album was a **smashing** success, reaching the top of the charts.

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym : compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

hesitate

v. to pause decision before saying or doing something

synonym : waver, pause, waffle

(1) **hesitate** for a moment, (2) **hesitate** to ask for help

Please do not **hesitate** to call us.

indicate

v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly

synonym : hint, suggest, show

(1) **indicate** a preference, (2) **indicate** an error

The data **indicates** that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.

property

n. a thing or things that belong to someone

synonym : belongings, possessions, equity

(1) a man of **property**, (2) chemical **property**

He stood to inherit a million-dollar **property**.

violent

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

synonym: aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

visceral

adj. relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses

synonym: instinctive, intuitive, gut

(1) **visceral** organ, (2) **visceral** fear

After watching the horror movie, she had a **visceral** reaction and couldn't sleep all night.

physicality

n. the physical nature or characteristics of something, especially the human body or movement; the state of being full of energy and force

synonym: corporeality, animalism, embodiment

(1) **physicality** of dance, (2) express **physicality**

The athlete's success was largely due to her **physicality** and dedication to fitness.

intense

adj. (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe

synonym: extreme, fierce, harsh

(1) **intense** heat, (2) develop **intense** itching

That statement by the prime minister drew **intense** international criticism.

mimic

v. to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh

synonym: mirror, imitate, ape

(1) **mimic** a human voice, (2) **mimic** numerous instruments

He is very popular at school because he can **mimic** all the teachers' accents.

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.

cruel

adj. feeling or showing pleasure in causing pain or suffering to others

synonym: heartless, sadistic, vicious

(1) a **cruel** and unusual punishment, (2) **cruel** joke

The dictator was known for his **cruel** and oppressive regime.

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**.

inspire

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

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

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

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

regardless

adv. not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

synonym: anyhow, nevertheless, still

(1) **regardless** of the difficulties, (2) **regardless** tread

People can pick out superior products **regardless** of the quality of the advertising.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

relate

v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

synonym: connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message

He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

battlefield

n. a place where a battle or conflict is fought

synonym: warzone, front line, combat area

(1) **battlefield** casualties, (2) tactics on the **battlefield**

The general reviewed the plans for the upcoming battle on the **battlefield**.

refuse

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

synonym: turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

gear

n. a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose

synonym: equipment, tools, apparatus

(1) sports **gear**, (2) a **gear** change lever

She checked her **gear** before embarking on the hike.

algorithm

n. a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

synonym: logic, method, rule

(1) the RSA **algorithm**, (2) **algorithm** for image processing

We can evaluate the performance of an **algorithm** in terms of

computation time.

Session 2: Spelling

1. pa____t in the hospital
n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
2. development of aut_____us vehicles
adj. capable of governing or controlling its affairs
3. a volunteer nu__e
n. a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury
4. d_m collapsing
n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
5. carpentry wo_____op
n. a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group
6. a mo__r mechanic
n. a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work
7. co___l a person to submission
v. to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way
8. fo___r a better relationship
v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents

ANSWERS: 1. patient, 2. autonomous, 3. nurse, 4. dam, 5. workshop, 6. motor, 7. compel, 8. foster

9. draw an____y *n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept
10. an aut_____us judiciary *adj.* capable of governing or controlling its affairs
11. st__k a key in a lock *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
12. under the umbrella of cap_____sm *n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
13. vi_____al organ *adj.* relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses
14. an in_____ed lamp *adj.* relating to or denoting electromagnetic radiation with a wavelength just longer than that of red light but shorter than that of microwave radiation, used for sensing heat and for remote control
15. un___l a monument *v.* to reveal or make something publicly known, especially for the first time
16. 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
17. give sm_____ng results *adj.* very successful or impressive; causing something to be broken or destroyed

ANSWERS: 9. analogy, 10. autonomous, 11. stick, 12. capitalism, 13. visceral, 14. infrared, 15. unveil, 16. struggle, 17. smashing

18. obs_____on instrument *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
19. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
20. im_____se a joke *v.* to create or perform something on the spot, without preparation or planning; to use what one has available to do or create something
21. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
22. in_____ne forms of punishment *adj.* lacking compassion or mercy towards humans or animals; causing or involving extreme physical or mental pain
23. de_____ia patients *n.* a severe decline in cognitive function, especially memory, as a result of disease or injury
24. un____l a comprehensive plan *v.* to reveal or make something publicly known, especially for the first time
25. sp__k his interest *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
26. ant_____te your kind cooperation *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance

ANSWERS: 18. observation, 19. develop, 20. improvise, 21. discovery, 22. inhumane, 23. dementia, 24. unveil, 25. spark, 26. anticipate

27. co_____t level *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
28. on the t__t *v.* to incline or bend from a vertical position; (noun) the act of inclining or the state of being inclined or leaning to one side
29. in_____te both businesses *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
30. re___e a request *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
31. ma_____al care *adj.* relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child
32. ev__e sympathy *v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind
33. in_____l velocity *adj.* of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
34. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
35. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
36. in_____ne living conditions *adj.* lacking compassion or mercy towards humans or animals; causing or involving extreme physical or mental pain
37. ha_____ed connection *adj.* built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics

ANSWERS: 27. comfort, 28. tilt, 29. integrate, 30. refuse, 31. maternal, 32. evoke, 33. initial, 34. obvious, 35. consequence, 36. inhumane, 37. hardwired

38. my in_____te affairs *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
39. ro_____c arm *adj.* of or relating to mechanical robots; (robotics) the interdisciplinary branch of computer science and engineering with the practical use of robots
40. in____t antenna *n.* any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections
41. he_____te for a moment *v.* to pause decision before saying or doing something
42. field of gene th_____y *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
43. pu____e freedoms *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
44. aut_____lly adjusted *adv.* without needing a direct human control
45. co_____e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
46. a slight wi__e *v.* to make a slight involuntary grimace or shrinking movement due to pain, distress, or embarrassment; (noun) a facial expression or bodily gesture of pain, discomfort, or embarrassment in response to an unpleasant or unwelcome stimulus
47. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

ANSWERS: 38. intimate, 39. robotic, 40. insect, 41. hesitate, 42. therapy, 43. pursue, 44. automatically, 45. consume, 46. wince, 47. conversation

48. words of co_____t *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
49. hulking di_____ur *n.* a large extinct reptile, often with an armored back, long neck, tail, and bony plates on the skin
50. ho_____le smell *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
51. an aw_____d date *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
52. fire st__k *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
53. do on a con_____nt basis *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
54. a man of pr_____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
55. the RSA al_____hm *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
56. in_____te into the existing system *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
57. chemical pr_____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone

ANSWERS: 48. comfort, 49. dinosaur, 50. horrible, 51. awkward, 52. stick, 53. consistent, 54. property, 55. algorithm, 56. integrate, 57. property

58. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
59. ine_____nt management *adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
60. 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
61. co_____l rank *n.* a military rank above a lieutenant colonel and below a general
62. f__t accomplishment *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
63. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
64. sports g__r *n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
65. t_y store *n.* a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children
66. on the ma_____al side *adj.* relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child

ANSWERS: 58. violent, 59. inefficient, 60. outlet, 61. colonel, 62. feat, 63. decision, 64. gear, 65. toy, 66. maternal

67. c_e card *n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something
68. s__l a hole *v.* to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed
69. make dr____ic changes *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
70. a circular mo____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
71. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
72. a working co_____on *n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel
73. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
74. aggressive in_____ct *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
75. a sm_____ng blow *adj.* very successful or impressive; causing something to be broken or destroyed
76. disarm the b__b *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

ANSWERS: 67. cue, 68. seal, 69. dramatic, 70. movement, 71. psychology, 72. companion, 73. excite, 74. instinct, 75. smashing, 76. bomb

77. in___t gaze *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
78. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
79. for spe_____lly American customers *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
80. a teacher's p_t *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
81. visual c_e *n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something
82. li_____ke animation *adj.* resembling or appearing similar to something alive or real, often realistically or vividly; convincing or authentic in appearance or behavior
83. reg_____ss tread *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
84. market up___e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
85. mi__c a human voice *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
86. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

ANSWERS: 77. intent, 78. conversation, 79. specifically, 80. pet, 81. cue, 82. lifelike, 83. regardless, 84. upside, 85. mimic, 86. interaction

87. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
88. nu__e practitioner *n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury
89. new and com_____ng evidence *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
90. develop in_____e itching *adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
91. brevet co_____l *n.* a military rank above a lieutenant colonel and below a general
92. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
93. phy_____ty of dance *n.* the physical nature or characteristics of something, especially the human body or movement; the state of being full of energy and force
94. designed spe_____lly for men *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
95. get con_____nt results *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
96. di_____ur fossil *n.* a large extinct reptile, often with an armored back, long neck, tail, and bony plates on the skin
97. ha_____ed behavior *adj.* built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics

ANSWERS: 87. norm, 88. nurse, 89. compelling, 90. intense, 91. colonel, 92. participate, 93. physicality, 94. specifically, 95. consistent, 96. dinosaur, 97. hardwired

98. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
99. killer a_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
100. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
101. pa_____t with weight loss *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
102. cell and molecular bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
103. mi__c numerous instruments *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
104. in_____e heat *adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
105. wo_____op attendee *n.* a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group
106. we_____ry development *n.* a collection of weapons (e.g., guns, knives, bombs, missiles, etc.) used or owned by a particular individual, group, military, or country
107. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

ANSWERS: 98. replace, 99. app, 100. engage, 101. patient, 102. biology, 103. mimic, 104. intense, 105. workshop, 106. weaponry, 107. interaction

108. tell a com_____ng story *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
109. dom_____te the plant *v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
110. va___m packing *n.* a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction
111. pl_____le explanation *adj.* seeming reasonable or likely to be true, and therefore convincing
112. si___t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
113. ha_____t job *n.* a small, lightweight axe used for chopping or cutting wood; a tool used for smoothing and shaping metal or stone
114. a g__r change lever *n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
115. DC mo__r control *n.* a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work
116. an unc_____ble silence *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
117. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
118. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
119. sp__k a chain reaction *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

ANSWERS: 108. compelling, 109. domesticate, 110. vacuum, 111. plausible, 112. silent, 113. hatchet, 114. gear, 115. motor, 116. uncomfortable, 117. emotional, 118. relation, 119. spark

120. a p_t bird *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
121. cr__l joke *adj.* feeling or showing pleasure in causing pain or suffering to others
122. express phy_____ty *n.* the physical nature or characteristics of something, especially the human body or movement; the state of being full of energy and force
123. steel ha_____t head *n.* a small, lightweight axe used for chopping or cutting wood; a tool used for smoothing and shaping metal or stone
124. de___e a crisis *v.* to reduce or eliminate the tension, anger, or hostility in a situation, especially a potentially explosive one, by calming, soothing, or pacifying those involved
125. class obs_____on day *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
126. as_____te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
127. a cr__l and unusual punishment *adj.* feeling or showing pleasure in causing pain or suffering to others
128. tactics on the bat_____ld *n.* a place where a battle or conflict is fought
129. boundless cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
130. vi_____al fear *adj.* relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses

ANSWERS: 120. pet, 121. cruel, 122. physicality, 123. hatchet, 124. defuse, 125. observation, 126. associate, 127. cruel, 128. battlefield, 129. curiosity, 130. visceral

131. bat_____ld casualties *n.* a place where a battle or conflict is fought
132. atomic b__bs *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
133. de_____y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
134. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
135. satisfy my intellectual cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
136. a co__h potato *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
137. deputy pr__e minister *adj.* main or most important; basic
138. de_____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
139. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
140. advanced we_____ry *n.* a collection of weapons (e.g., guns, knives, bombs, missiles, etc.) used or owned by a particular individual, group, military, or country
141. d__g a chair over *v.* to pull or haul with force
142. al_____hm for image processing *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

ANSWERS: 131. battlefield, 132. bomb, 133. destroy, 134. discovery, 135. curiosity, 136. couch, 137. prime, 138. destroy, 139. participate, 140. weaponry, 141. drag, 142. algorithm

143. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
144. t_y box *n.* a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children
145. sq___m uncomfortably *v.* to twist, wiggle, or contort the body uncomfortably or awkwardly, often due to embarrassment, discomfort, or nervousness
146. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
147. in_____ct for self-preservation *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
148. ro_____c guide operation *adj.* of or relating to mechanical robots; (robotics) the interdisciplinary branch of computer science and engineering with the practical use of robots
149. cannot log in to the a_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
150. have no up___e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
151. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

ANSWERS: 143. silent, 144. toy, 145. squirm, 146. movement, 147. instinct, 148. robotic, 149. app, 150. upside, 151. relation

152. an instrument of to_____e *n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
153. ant_____te a black future *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance
154. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
155. with an unc_____ble face *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
156. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
157. tracking de_____e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
158. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
159. th_____y for a patient *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
160. trespass on a person's pr_____y *n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people

ANSWERS: 152. torture, 153. anticipate, 154. develop, 155. uncomfortable, 156. context, 157. device, 158. context, 159. therapy, 160. privacy

161. st___e up a conversation *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
162. at___h a file to an e-mail *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
163. drinking co_____ons *n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel
164. t__t a chair *v.* to incline or bend from a vertical position; (noun) the act of inclining or the state of being inclined or leaning to one side
165. li_____ke painting *adj.* resembling or appearing similar to something alive or real, often realistically or vividly; convincing or authentic in appearance or behavior
166. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
167. sa___e to the flag *v.* to show respect or recognition for someone or something, often by making a gesture or performing an action; to greet or acknowledge someone in a formal or ceremonious way
168. ev___e a sense of awe *v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind
169. historical an_____y *n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept
170. a pl_____le liar *adj.* seeming reasonable or likely to be true, and therefore convincing
171. cultural n___m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

ANSWERS: 161. strike, 162. attach, 163. companion, 164. tilt, 165. lifelike, 166. psychology, 167. salute, 168. evoke, 169. analogy, 170. plausible, 171. norm

172. a dr____ic rescue at sea *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
173. a prize me__l *n.* a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor
174. electronic de____e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
175. pr____y abuse *n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
176. 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
177. r__m the countryside *v.* to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander
178. a mi____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
179. en____e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
180. stuff of science fi____n *n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true

ANSWERS: 172. dramatic, 173. medal, 174. device, 175. privacy, 176. outlet, 177. roam, 178. military, 179. engage, 180. fiction

181. controlled sub_____sly *adv.* in a way that is not fully conscious or aware of
182. gold me__l *n.* a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor
183. in_____te relationship *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
184. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
185. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
186. sub_____sly influenced *adv.* in a way that is not fully conscious or aware of
187. in_____te an error *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
188. as_____te alcohol with gambling *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
189. sa___e him in military fashion *v.* to show respect or recognition for someone or something, often by making a gesture or performing an action; to greet or acknowledge someone in a formal or ceremonious way
190. in_____ed radiation *adj.* relating to or denoting electromagnetic radiation with a wavelength just longer than that of red light but shorter than that of microwave radiation, used for sensing heat and for remote control

ANSWERS: 181. subconsciously, 182. medal, 183. intimate, 184. absolutely, 185. decision, 186. subconsciously, 187. indicate, 188. associate, 189. salute, 190. infrared

191. re___e a story
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
192. record driving aut_____lly
adv. without needing a direct human control
193. co___e electricity
v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
194. navigate the mi_____ld
n. an area or situation that contains a hidden danger or risk, particularly a literal minefield of explosives or a figurative minefield of potential problems or missteps
195. a fur s__l
v. to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed
196. ine_____nt use
adj. lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
197. d__g a team down
v. to pull or haul with force
198. an in_____l letter
adj. of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
199. in___t biology
n. any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections
200. sta_____cs for cancer
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 191. relate, 192. automatically, 193. consume, 194. minefield, 195. seal, 196. inefficient, 197. drag, 198. initial, 199. insect, 200. statistics

201. probably have de_____ia *n.* a severe decline in cognitive function, especially memory, as a result of disease or injury
202. at____h firmly *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
203. non-fi_____n bestseller *n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
204. co____l attention *v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way
205. reg_____ss of the difficulties *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
206. intellectual f__t *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
207. the state of being we__d *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
208. advance cap_____sm *n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
209. the in____t of a question *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
210. a to_____e chamber *n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

ANSWERS: 201. dementia, 202. attach, 203. fiction, 204. compel, 205. regardless, 206. feat, 207. weird, 208. capitalism, 209. intent, 210. torture

211. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
212. in____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
213. an aw____d expression *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
214. official sta____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
215. the con____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
216. leather co__h *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
217. im____se an escape plan *v.* to create or perform something on the spot, without preparation or planning; to use what one has available to do or create something
218. st____e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
219. vi____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
220. face inc____gly complicated challenges *adv.* more and more

ANSWERS: 211. obvious, 212. inspire, 213. awkward, 214. statistics, 215. consequence, 216. couch, 217. improvise, 218. strike, 219. violent, 220. increasingly

221. au___m spectrum disorder *n.* a developmental disorder characterized by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication
222. ho_____le accident *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
223. re___e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
224. de___e a bomb *v.* to reduce or eliminate the tension, anger, or hostility in a situation, especially a potentially explosive one, by calming, soothing, or pacifying those involved
225. r__m freely *v.* to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander
226. di_____e battleships for a battle *v.* to put things or people in a particular manner or position; to incline someone towards a specific activity or mood; throw or cast away
227. pu___e a goal *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
228. d__k space *n.* a flat, circular plate, typically made of metal, glass, or plastic, used for storing data or playing music
229. re_____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
230. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
231. high-functioning au___m *n.* a developmental disorder characterized by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication

ANSWERS: 221. autism, 222. horrible, 223. refuse, 224. defuse, 225. roam, 226. dispose, 227. pursue, 228. disk, 229. replace, 230. excite, 231. autism

232. fo___r two kids	v.	to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
233. easy to dom_____te	v.	to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
234. abs_____ly against	adv.	without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
235. medical l_b	n.	a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
236. 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
237. di_____e of a used product	v.	to put things or people in a particular manner or position; to incline someone towards a specific activity or mood; throw or cast away
238. va___m cleaner	n.	a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction
239. he_____te to ask for help	v.	to pause decision before saying or doing something
240. in_____e him to write a novel	v.	to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
241. in_____ct directly with customers	v.	to communicate or react with somebody
242. wi__e at the sound	v.	to make a slight involuntary grimace or shrinking movement due to pain, distress, or embarrassment; (noun) a facial expression or bodily gesture of pain, discomfort, or embarrassment in response to an unpleasant or unwelcome stimulus

ANSWERS: 232. foster, 233. domesticate, 234. absolutely, 235. lab, 236. struggle, 237. dispose, 238. vacuum, 239. hesitate, 240. inspire, 241. interact, 242. wince

243. ack_____ge his help *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
244. full of em_____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
245. a mi_____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
246. in_____ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
247. a we__d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
248. ack_____ge the deed *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
249. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
250. em_____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

ANSWERS: 243. acknowledge, 244. empathy, 245. military, 246. interact, 247. weird, 248. acknowledge, 249. relate, 250. empathy

251. evolutionary bi____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
252. in____te a preference *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
253. sq____m with excitement *v.* to twist, wiggle, or contort the body uncomfortably or awkwardly, often due to embarrassment, discomfort, or nervousness
254. d__k drive *n.* a flat, circular plate, typically made of metal, glass, or plastic, used for storing data or playing music
255. pr__e number *adj.* main or most important; basic
256. enter a political mi____ld *n.* an area or situation that contains a hidden danger or risk, particularly a literal minefield of explosives or a figurative minefield of potential problems or missteps
257. l_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
258. em____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
259. d_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
260. inc____gly become common *adv.* more and more

ANSWERS: 251. biology, 252. indicate, 253. squirm, 254. disk, 255. prime, 256. minefield, 257. lab, 258. emotional, 259. dam, 260. increasingly

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.
v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
2. _____ also guarantees intellectual property rights and thus promotes innovation.
n. an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
3. The _____ camera revealed a hidden image on the surface.
adj. relating to or denoting electromagnetic radiation with a wavelength just longer than that of red light but shorter than that of microwave radiation, used for sensing heat and for remote control
4. Five of the six provinces will become _____ regions under the new federal system of government.
adj. capable of governing or controlling its affairs
5. Please do not _____ to call us.
v. to pause decision before saying or doing something
6. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
7. 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

ANSWERS: 1. destroyed, 2. Capitalism, 3. infrared, 4. autonomous, 5. hesitate, 6. norms, 7. struggle

8. He _____ picked at his cuticles while he was on the phone.
adv. in a way that is not fully conscious or aware of
9. The army used various _____ to defend the country from attack.
n. a collection of weapons (e.g., guns, knives, bombs, missiles, etc.) used or owned by a particular individual, group, military, or country
10. After watching the horror movie, she had a _____ reaction and couldn't sleep all night.
adj. relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses
11. I love to _____ around the city and discover new neighborhoods.
v. to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander
12. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something
13. The system is still so _____ that it is useless.
adj. lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
14. The pastor contributed to _____ the sense of a community embracing all classes.
v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
15. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

ANSWERS: 8. subconsciously, 9. weaponry, 10. visceral, 11. roam, 12. participated, 13. inefficient, 14. fostering, 15. engaged

16. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

17. The dictator was known for his _____ and oppressive regime.

- adj.* feeling or showing pleasure in causing pain or suffering to others

18. 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

19. He found _____ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

- n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

20. The woodsman used a sharp _____ to chop firewood for the winter.

- n.* a small, lightweight axe used for chopping or cutting wood; a tool used for smoothing and shaping metal or stone

21. We _____ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

- v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

22. She had a very _____ instinct towards her newborn baby.

- adj.* relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child

23. It is an incredible _____ to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

- n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

ANSWERS: 16. conversation, 17. cruel, 18. device, 19. comfort, 20. hatchet, 21. strike, 22. maternal, 23. feat

24. He found that it is difficult to _____ socially.
- v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
25. Generally speaking, the child is innately _____ to learn a language.
- v. to put things or people in a particular manner or position; to incline someone towards a specific activity or mood; throw or cast away
26. I love to relax on the _____ and watch movies on the weekends.
- n. a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
27. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
- adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
28. He _____ the letter with hot wax.
- v. to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed
29. He does not _____ importance to these rumors.
- v. to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
30. He _____ as he saw his favorite vase fall and shatter on the ground.
- v. to make a slight involuntary grimace or shrinking movement due to pain, distress, or embarrassment; (noun) a facial expression or bodily gesture of pain, discomfort, or embarrassment in response to an unpleasant or unwelcome stimulus
31. His abusive words made me _____.
- adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

ANSWERS: 24. integrate, 25. disposed, 26. couch, 27. absolutely, 28. sealed, 29. attach, 30. winced, 31. uncomfortable

32. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
- n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
33. He gave his daughter a new ____ for her birthday.
- n.* a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children
34. The study found that regular exercise can help to prevent the onset of _____ in older age.
- n.* a severe decline in cognitive function, especially memory, as a result of disease or injury
35. I have a parrot as a _____.
- n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
36. The computer's hard _____ was full, so she had to delete some files.
- n.* a flat, circular plate, typically made of metal, glass, or plastic, used for storing data or playing music
37. She checked her _____ before embarking on the hike.
- n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
38. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the _____ release.
- n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
39. Some kinds of machine learning models show an _____ to how people learn.
- n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept

ANSWERS: 32. decision, 33. toy, 34. dementia, 35. pet, 36. disk, 37. gear, 38. app's, 39. analogy

40. The soldiers stood at attention to _____ their commanding officer.
v. to show respect or recognition for someone or something, often by making a gesture or performing an action; to greet or acknowledge someone in a formal or ceremonious way
41. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.
v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
42. My initial reaction was to _____.
v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
43. My computer has been acting _____ recently.
adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
44. We had to _____ a tent using a tarp and sticks since we didn't have a proper one.
v. to create or perform something on the spot, without preparation or planning; to use what one has available to do or create something
45. In the hospital, she will remain under constant _____.
n. the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
46. She was proud to receive a _____ for her hard work and dedication to the sport.
n. a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor
47. That statement by the prime minister drew _____ international criticism.
adj. (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe

ANSWERS: 40. salute, 41. consume, 42. refuse, 43. weird, 44. improvise, 45. observation, 46. medal, 47. intense

48. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's ____.
- n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
49. Truth is stranger than _____.
- n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
50. This movie is likely to _____ strong emotions in the viewer.
- v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind
51. She had a master's degree in _____.
- n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
52. He has an _____ knowledge of American history.
- adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
53. The director gave the actor a ____ to begin the scene.
- n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something
54. The surgeon removed the tumor using _____ video assistance.
- adj.* of or relating to mechanical robots; (robotics) the interdisciplinary branch of computer science and engineering with the practical use of robots
55. The child _____ out of his mother's grasp and ran off.
- v.* to twist, wiggle, or contort the body uncomfortably or awkwardly, often due to embarrassment, discomfort, or nervousness
56. The news of her promotion _____ her.
- v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 48. lab, 49. fiction, 50. evoke, 51. psychology, 52. intimate, 53. cue, 54. robotic, 55. squirmed, 56. excited

57. Our company found it _____ difficult to keep up with the competition.

adv. more and more

58. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

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

59. The instinct to protect one's offspring is _____ into many animal species.

adj. built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics

60. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in _____ class.

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

61. The break in the ____ threatened the valley.

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

62. She intends to _____ a political career.

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

63. After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the _____ suspect.

adj. main or most important; basic

64. The data _____ that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.

v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly

ANSWERS: 57. increasingly, 58. movement, 59. hardwired, 60. biology, 61. dam, 62. pursue, 63. prime, 64. indicates

65. The Army _____ led the troops into battle.

n. a military rank above a lieutenant colonel and below a general

66. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

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

67. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

68. The strict deadlines will _____ the team to work efficiently.

v. to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way

69. People can pick out superior products _____ of the quality of the advertising.

adv. not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

70. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

71. You are not _____ in your behavior.

adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

72. She _____ her head to the side, indicating she was listening.

v. to incline or bend from a vertical position; (noun) the act of inclining or the state of being inclined or leaning to one side

ANSWERS: 65. colonel, 66. inspired, 67. violent, 68. compel, 69. regardless, 70. relate, 71. consistent, 72. tilted

73. He should _____ more with his colleagues.
v. to communicate or react with somebody
74. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.
v. to take the place of something
75. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
76. The use of _____ is strictly prohibited under international law.
n. the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
77. 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
78. The artist created a _____ sculpture of a famous politician for the town square.
adj. resembling or appearing similar to something alive or real, often realistically or vividly; convincing or authentic in appearance or behavior
79. These _____ are more prevalent above a certain latitude.
n. any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections
80. Her dog is her excellent _____.
n. a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel

ANSWERS: 73. interact, 74. replace, 75. context, 76. torture, 77. outlet, 78. lifelike, 79. insects, 80. companion

81. The experience was _____ and left a lasting impression.
adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
82. The negotiator skillfully _____ the tense situation with calm words and gestures.
v. to reduce or eliminate the tension, anger, or hostility in a situation, especially a potentially explosive one, by calming, soothing, or pacifying those involved
83. Energy-efficient _____ are needed to maximize the cruising distance of electric vehicles.
n. a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work
84. We are motivated by _____ rather than necessity.
n. a strong desire to know or learn about something
85. The company plans to _____ its new product at the trade show next week.
v. to reveal or make something publicly known, especially for the first time
86. We _____ heavy snowfall tomorrow.
v. to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance
87. They took the _____ step toward reconciliation.
adj. of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
88. The conditions at the factory were deemed _____ and caused outrage among the public.
adj. lacking compassion or mercy towards humans or animals; causing or involving extreme physical or mental pain

ANSWERS: 81. horrible, 82. defused, 83. motors, 84. curiosity, 85. unveil, 86. anticipate, 87. initial, 88. inhumane

89. Please use the _____ to clean up the mess on the floor.
n. a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction
90. We _____ cows to gain milk and meat.
v. to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
91. The band's new album was a _____ success, reaching the top of the charts.
adj. very successful or impressive; causing something to be broken or destroyed
92. He never _____ his fault.
v. to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
93. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
94. He stood to inherit a million-dollar _____.
n. a thing or things that belong to someone
95. The general reviewed the plans for the upcoming battle on the _____.
n. a place where a battle or conflict is fought
96. You _____ a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.
v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

ANSWERS: 89. vacuum, 90. domesticate, 91. smashing, 92. acknowledged, 93. relations, 94. property, 95. battlefield, 96. stick

97. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.
- n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
98. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
- adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
99. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
- n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
100. The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate _____ turmoil in the stock market.
- v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
101. The corporate restructuring process was a _____ with many obstacles that needed to be navigated.
- n.* an area or situation that contains a hidden danger or risk, particularly a literal minefield of explosives or a figurative minefield of potential problems or missteps
102. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.
- adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
103. The doctor carefully examined the _____ medical history.
- n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
104. When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial _____ was to flee.
- n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

ANSWERS: 97. interaction, 98. obvious, 99. consequences, 100. sparked, 101. minefield, 102. military, 103. patient's, 104. instinct

105. There is no cure for _____ but early intervention and therapy can improve outcomes for individuals with the condition.
- n.* a developmental disorder characterized by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication
106. The statement had a _____ impact on house prices.
- adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
107. He _____ the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.
- v.* to pull or haul with force
108. He is very popular at school because he can _____ all the teachers' accents.
- v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
109. 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
110. I underwent aversion _____ for my addiction to alcohol.
- n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
111. The athlete's success was largely due to her _____ and dedication to fitness.
- n.* the physical nature or characteristics of something, especially the human body or movement; the state of being full of energy and force
112. The designer's _____ was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.
- n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

ANSWERS: 105. autism, 106. dramatic, 107. dragged, 108. mimic, 109. privacy, 110. therapy, 111. physicality, 112. intent

113. His _____ presentation deeply moved everyone.

adj. arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration

114. The night shift _____ checked my vital signs before administering the medication.

n. a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured;
(verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

115. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.

adj. without any or little sound

116. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

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

117. Our subscription plan is _____ renewed.

adv. without needing a direct human control

118. The use of cluster _____ is strictly prohibited by international law.

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

119. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

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

120. We can evaluate the performance of an _____ in terms of computation time.

n. a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

ANSWERS: 113. compelling, 114. nurse, 115. silent, 116. develop, 117. automatically, 118. bombs, 119. statistics, 120. algorithm

121. Many people see the _____ of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.
n. the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
122. The discovery of a new _____ species made headlines in the scientific community.
n. a large extinct reptile, often with an armored back, long neck, tail, and bony plates on the skin
123. The artist held a _____ to teach students how to paint with watercolors.
n. a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group
124. Her research team made an important _____.
n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
125. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
126. This ad campaign is aimed _____ at young women.
adv. only associated with or meant for one thing
127. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
adj. relating to people's feelings
128. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.
v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

ANSWERS: 121. upside, 122. dinosaur, 123. workshop, 124. discovery, 125. Empathy, 126. specifically, 127. emotional, 128. associate

129. She could find no _____ explanation for its failure.

adj. seeming reasonable or likely to be true, and therefore convincing

130. The _____ design of the interface made the operation difficult.

adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

ANSWERS: 129. plausible, 130. awkward