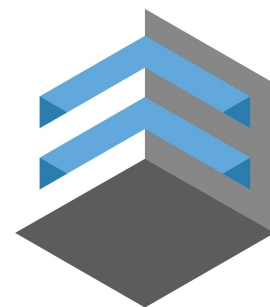


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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### spot

*n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

*synonym* : dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

### slide

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

*synonym* : glide, drift, drop

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

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

### overwhelming

*adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

*synonym* : overpowering, astounding, amazing

(1) **overwhelming** majority, (2) an **overwhelming** victory

He has shown signs of uneasiness and **overwhelming** worry.

### alarm

*n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

*synonym* : notice, warning, panic

(1) give the **alarm**, (2) an **alarm** clock

The **alarm** announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.

## tuck

*v.* to push a stray piece of clothing or material into a particular area or position, especially to make it more orderly or comfortable

*synonym* : insert, wrap, pinch

(1) **tuck** a baby in the blanket, (2) **tuck** into another cigarette

You should **tuck** your shirt into your trousers.

## synthetic

*adj.* made by combining chemical substances as opposed to being naturally occurring

*synonym* : artificial, manufactured, fabricated

(1) **synthetic** fiber, (2) **synthetic** fertilizer

**Synthetic** diamonds play an essential role as machine tool blades.

## shocking

*adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust

*synonym* : startling, surprising, astounding

(1) **shocking** response, (2) **shocking** revelation

The news of the accident was **shocking** and left many in shock.

## relative

*adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

*synonym* : comparative, proximate, congeneric

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

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

## span

*n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

*synonym* : interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**

He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

## estimate

*v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

*synonym* : calculate, gauge, evaluate

(1) **estimate** a fair value, (2) **estimate** this chicken to weigh three pounds

We **estimated** the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

## metric

*adj.* using or relating to the meter as a unit of length; a system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic

*synonym* : metrical, measured

(1) **metric** units, (2) key performance **metrics**

In the **metric** system, measurements are made in meters and liters.

## planet

*n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

*synonym* : earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

## equivalent

*n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.

*synonym* : equal, counterpart, match

(1) **equivalent** amounts, (2) **equivalent** in meaning

The European Central Bank is Europe's **equivalent** of the Federal Reserve.

## empire

*n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

*synonym* : imperium, conglomerate, kingdom

(1) **empire** building, (2) **empire** of the Maya

He has built a thriving e-commerce **empire**.

## recycle

*v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again

*synonym*: reclaim, reuse, reprocess

(1) **recycle** the cardboard boxes, (2) **recycle** milk packaging into new paper

We largely **recycle** the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.

## oxygen

*n.* the chemical element with the symbol O that is present in air and water and is necessary for people, animals, and plants to live

(1) the hydrogen binds the **oxygen**, (2) lack of **oxygen**

The passenger grabbed for the **oxygen** mask.

## microbe

*n.* a tiny living thing that can only be seen with a microscope and that may cause disease

*synonym*: germ, microorganism, bacterium

(1) pathogenic **microbe**, (2) **microbes** sterilizer

**Microbes** thrive on the surface of the human skin.

## brake

*n.* a device used to slow or stop a moving vehicle, typically by applying pressure to the wheels

*synonym*: damper, restraint, check

(1) apply the **brake**, (2) **brake** pedal

The results of that election put a **brake** on political reform.

## upward

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

*synonym*: skyward, uphill

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

The company adjusted the revenue **upward**.

## microplastic

*n.* tiny plastic fragments in the environment originating from consumer products and industrial waste

(1) **microplastic** particle, (2) **microplastic** pollution in the sea

Several scholars have pointed out that inhalation of **microplastics** may have adverse effects on the human body.

## define

*v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

*synonym*: characterize, depict, express

(1) **define** a word, (2) **define** my position

To advance this discussion, we must **define** "success" rigorously.

## grain

*n.* wheat or any other small hard seeds used as a food; a relatively small granular particle of a substance

*synonym*: seed, piece, cereal

(1) a **grain** of sand, (2) flour made from **grain**

Ordinary air purifiers cannot adequately remove pollen **grains**.

## divide

*v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

*synonym*: separate, disconnect, split

(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money equally

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

## primary

*adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle

*synonym*: chief, main, fundamental

(1) **primary** school, (2) **primary** education

The **primary** cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.

## engineer

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

*synonym*: architect, creator, builder

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

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

## medical

*adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

*synonym*: health, disease, treatment

(1) a **medical** opinion, (2) temporary **medical** treatment

The **medical** team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

## industrial

*adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry

*synonym*: manufacturing, mechanical

(1) beginning of the **industrial** revolution, (2) **industrial** alcohol

**Industrial** design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.

## ban

*v.* to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something

*synonym*: forbid, prohibit, restrict

(1) **ban** gender-related job discrimination, (2) **ban** any type of cloning

We should **ban** mildly violent video games from a child's development perspective.

## cosmetic

*adj.* relating to treatment aimed at restoring or improving a person's appearance and attractiveness; (noun) a substance that you put on your face or body to enhance its appearance and make it more attractive

*synonym*: adorning, embellishing, ornamental

(1) minor **cosmetic** changes, (2) **cosmetic** fenders on cars

**Cosmetic** surgery is becoming more common in Asia due to lowering prices.

## fiber

*n.* thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile

*synonym*: yarn, thread, wool

(1) carbon **fiber**, (2) synthetic **fiber**

We must consume dietary **fiber** to maintain good health.

## **mascara**

*n.* a cosmetic product used to darken, thicken, and define eyelashes

*synonym*: eyeliner, kohl

(1) waterproof **mascara**, (2) **mascara** smudge

She applied the **mascara** to her lashes for a dramatic look.

## **polystyrene**

*n.* a lightweight, thermoplastic polymer material used in the manufacture of a wide range of products, including packaging, insulation, and consumer goods

(1) **polystyrene** foam, (2) **polystyrene** packaging

The construction industry often utilizes **polystyrene** insulation panels to improve building energy efficiency.

## **bead**

*n.* a small, usually round object made of glass, wood, or plastic that is used for decoration or as part of jewelry

*synonym*: pearl, droplet, marble

(1) a beautiful **bead**, (2) **bead** curtain

She threaded the **beads** onto the string to make a necklace.

## **flotation**

*n.* the act or process of floating or the state of being buoyant in a liquid, often used in the context of flotation therapy where individuals float in a tank or pool containing a highly buoyant saltwater solution, often for relaxation or therapeutic purposes; (of finance) the process of a company 'going public' - that is, the transition of a private company to a publicly traded one

*synonym*: buoyancy, floating

(1) **flotation** device, (2) the **flotation** on the stock market

The **flotation** suit kept the diver buoyant and able to move freely in the water.

## **resin**

*n.* a sticky, viscous substance typically obtained from trees and plants, particularly conifers and evergreens; a material used in the manufacture of adhesives, plastics, and other products, particularly those that require stiffness or abrasion resistance

*synonym* : sap, gum, pitch

(1) tree **resin**, (2) synthetic **resin**

The guitar was coated with a **resin** layer to protect the wood and enhance the tone.

## pellet

*n.* a small, round piece of compressed material, such as wood or plastic

*synonym* : bead, ball, bullet

(1) the form of a small **pellet**, (2) **pellet** stove

The **pellet** gun was used to shoot small metal balls.

## glitter

*v.* to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines

*synonym* : sparkle, glisten, shine

(1) **glitter** against her skin, (2) **glitter** in her eyes

Her dress **glittered** in the sunlight as she walked down the street.

## breakdown

*n.* a failure or collapse of a system or organization

*synonym* : collapse, failure, malfunction

(1) a nervous **breakdown**, (2) **breakdown** maintenance

The **breakdown** of the machinery caused a delay in production.

## fragment

*n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached

*synonym* : piece, shard, segment

(1) **fragment** of a text, (2) a broken **fragment**

The archaeologist carefully pieced together the tiny **fragments** of pottery found at the dig site.

## deceptive

*adj.* tending to mislead or deceive either deliberately or inadvertently; causing one to believe what is not true or fail to believe what is true

*synonym* : misleading, trickery, fraudulent

(1) **deceptive** practices, (2) appearances are **deceptive**

The politician's statements were found to be **deceptive** and



not based on fact.

## tire

*v.* to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued; (noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving

*synonym* : exhaust, weary, fatigue

(1) **tire** my patience, (2) **tire** pressure

I need to **tire** out my dog with a long walk so that he will sleep through the night.

## polymer

*n.* a substance composed of macromolecules (= large groups of atoms) made from many smaller and simpler molecules

(1) **polymer** fiber, (2) biological **polymer**

We are developing plant-derived **polymers** to reduce environmental impact.

## preschool

*adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time

*synonym* : nursery, kindergarten, daycare

(1) **preschool** education, (2) during **preschool** years

My old school's **preschool** program was well-regarded and had an excellent reputation.

## gem

*n.* a precious or semiprecious stone, usually of high quality and often used as jewelry; something that is considered to be a highly prized and valuable possession or attribute of a person or thing

*synonym* : jewel, precious stone, diamond

(1) **gem** collection, (2) hidden **gem**

The enga **gement** ring was a precious gem passed down through generations of her family.

## laundry

*n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed

*synonym* : wash, clothes, linen

(1) send out the **laundry**, (2) **laundry** room

I need to do the **laundry** before I run out of clean clothes.

## lint

*n.* small fibers or fluff that accumulate on clothing, fabric, or other surfaces, typically as a result of wear or friction

*synonym* : fluff, fuzz, dust

(1) **lint** roller, (2) cotton **lint**

I must remove the **lint** from my clothes before leaving the house.

## artwork

*n.* the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.

*synonym* : painting, picture, graphics

(1) ancient **artwork**, (2) **artwork** conservation

Videos documenting the process of creating this pencil **artwork** have been popular worldwide.

## sequin

*n.* a decorative item consisting of a small, shiny disc or bead typically sewn onto clothing for added embellishment

*synonym* : bead, spangle, paillette

(1) **sequin** dress, (2) gold **sequin**

Her dress was covered in shimmering **sequins** that caught the light.

## glare

*v.* to shine with a bright, harsh, or dazzling light; to stare fiercely or angrily, often with a piercing or threatening gaze; (noun) a strong, bright, and often harsh or uncomfortable light that can be blinding or difficult to look at directly

*synonym* : glower, stare, scowl

(1) the **glare** of the sun, (2) **glare** at my opponent

The sun **glared** down on us, making it difficult to see without squinting our eyes.

## environment

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

*synonym*: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

## freshwater

*adj.* living in, found in, or connecting with water that does not contain salt

(1) **freshwater** area, (2) **freshwater** aquatic bird

This microbe is a parasite of **freshwater** fish.

## arctic

*adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold

*synonym*: cold, frozen, polar

(1) **arctic** ice, (2) high **arctic**

Cold temperatures and long, dark winters characterize the **arctic** climate.

## chain

*n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

*synonym*: series, string, link

(1) **chain** reaction, (2) supply **chain**

The **chain** on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

## zooplankton

*n.* very small animals that live in water and on which other sea creatures feed

(1) freshwater **zooplankton**, (2) floating **zooplankton**

The diversity of riverine ecosystems influences the variety of **zooplankton** in marine areas.

## marine

*adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there

*synonym*: sea-dwelling, maritime, aquatic

(1) **marine** insurance, (2) variety of **marine** life

Seals and whales are **marine** animals beloved by the people.

## mammal

*n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body

(1) a primitive **mammal**, (2) a sort of **mammal**

Marine **mammal** populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.

## negative

*adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

*synonym*: minus, adverse, pessimistic

(1) have a **negative** effect, (2) a **negative** number

The movie has received almost universally **negative** criticism.

## abrasion

*n.* the process of scraping or wearing away of a surface or substance through friction or erosion

*synonym*: scrape, scratch, graze

(1) skin **abrasions**, (2) protect against **abrasions**

The surface of the wooden table had several **abrasions** from years of use.

## chemical

*adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;

*synonym*: chemic, synthetic

(1) toxic **chemicals**, (2) a **chemical** compound

The firm has grown into a large **chemical** manufacturing.

## leach

*v.* to remove or drain away something from a material, usually by seeping or filtering, such as chemicals from soil or minerals from rock

*synonym*: drain, filter, strain

(1) **leach** into the brewed coffee, (2) **leach** calcium from the bones

The chemicals from the landfill have begun to **leach** into the groundwater.

## contaminate

*v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture

*synonym* : defile, pollute, adulterate

(1) **contaminate** with a disease, (2) **contaminate** his ego  
We strive not to **contaminate** the environment when demolishing petroleum plants.

## 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.

## reproduction

*n.* the process by which organisms create offspring; the production of something similar to an original work

*synonym* : procreation, replication, duplication

(1) **reproduction** rate, (2) **reproduction** system

The **reproduction** of the plant depends on the pollinators.

## zoom

*v.* to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air

*synonym* : move quickly, dive, buzz

(1) **zoom** in on a photo, (2) **zoom** lens

He **zoomed** back in time to the soccer game.

## invisible

*adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see

*synonym* : hidden, imperceptible, unseen

(1) an **invisible** asset, (2) **invisible** stars

The phenomenon is **invisible** at optical wavelengths.

## micron

*n.* a unit of measurement equal to one-millionth of a meter, used for measuring the size of particles and microorganisms

*synonym* : micrometer

(1) **micron** measurements, (2) **micron** imaging

The width of a single human hair is around 100 **microns**.

## breath

*n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs

*synonym* : air, puff, whiff

(1) hold your **breath**, (2) **breath** of wind

He bated his **breath** when talking about this affair.

## shellfish

*n.* water creatures that live in shells, especially one of the types that can be eaten

*synonym* : clam, mollusk

(1) **shellfish** allergy, (2) edible **shellfish**

**Shellfish** can cause allergic reactions in certain people.

## clam

*n.* a marine mollusk that burrows and lives on sand or mud, the shell closes with viselike firmness

(1) giant **clam**, (2) shuck a **clam**

The **clam** digs through the sand to a significant depth.

## oyster

*n.* a bivalve mollusk with a rough irregular shell, often eaten raw or cooked, and sometimes used as a pearl-producing animal or a source of mother-of-pearl

*synonym* : shellfish, clam, mussel

(1) **oyster** shell, (2) **oyster** farm

I ordered a dozen **oysters** as an appetizer at the seafood restaurant.

## represent

*v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

*synonym* : depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

## industrious

*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

*synonym* : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

## evident

*adj.* apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment

*synonym* : apparent, noticeable, obvious

(1) **evident** to all, (2) plainly **evident**

With **evident** joy, he signed his name.

## label

*n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

*synonym* : tag, mark, identifier

(1) a mailing **label**, (2) **label** a bag with my name

The **label** on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

## hunt

*v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit

*synonym* : chase, pursuit, quest

(1) **hunt** a job, (2) **hunt** after knowledge

Hounds **hunt** their prey by using their keen scent.

## retailer

*n.* a person or business that sells goods to the public, typically in small quantities

*synonym* : seller, vendor, merchant

(1) **retailer** strategy, (2) **retailer** competition

The consumer-electronics **retailer** offered a discount for customers who paid in cash.

## 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.

## release

*v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

*synonym*: free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

## gram

*n.* a metric unit of weight equal to one-thousandth of a kilogram

(1) centimeter- **gram-second** system, (2) **gram** amount

How much is it per one hundred **grams**?

## polyester

*n.* a synthetic fabric consisting of polymers typically derived from petroleum, characterized by its durability, wrinkle resistance, and easy-care properties

*synonym*: synthetic fabric, nylon, rayon

(1) **polyester** fabric, (2) **polyester** blend

The jacket's exterior was made of **polyester**, while the interior was lined with warm and cozy fleece.

## cotton

*n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing

(1) **cotton** cloth, (2) culture of **cotton**

The price of raw **cotton** continued to rise.

## acrylic

*n.* a type of plastic or synthetic resin that is used in various forms, such as paints, fabrics, and plastics, known for its clarity, durability, and versatility

(1) **acrylic** sheet, (2) **acrylic** nails

The artist painted a beautiful landscape using **acrylic** paints.

## poly

*n.* (a prefix meaning "many" or "much") commonly used in chemistry, biology, and other sciences to indicate a large, complex structure or molecule that is made up of repeating units, such as polyester, polymer

*synonym*: plastic, polymer, resin

(1) reclosable **poly** bag, (2) biodegradable **poly**



We store all of our drinking water in a large **poly** tank on the roof of our house.

## whopping

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

*synonym*: enormous, gigantic, massive

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

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

## multiply

*v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity

*synonym*: boost, amplify, reproduce

(1) **multiply** 5 and 6, (2) **multiply** about hundredfold

**Multiply** a number by itself twice.

## sew

*v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

*synonym*: stitch, darn, tailor

(1) **sew** with thread, (2) **sew** a button

My mother taught me how to **sew**.

## ecosystem

*n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

(1) marine **ecosystem**, (2) change the **ecosystem**

Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the **ecosystem**.

## reuse

*v.* to use something again or more than once

*synonym*: reprocess, recycle, rehash

(1) **reuse** the materials, (2) **reuse** existing knowledge

The supermarket encourages shoppers to **reuse** plastic bags.

## 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**.

### **straw**

*n.* dry stalks of cereal plants used as fodder, fuel, basket, etc.

*synonym* : hay, stalk, reed

(1) **straw** basket, (2) rice **straw**

The **straw** hat protected her face from the sun while she worked in the fields.

### **critic**

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

*synonym* : pundit, analyst, attacker

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

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

### **alternative**

*n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice

*synonym* : choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**

Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

### **pollution**

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

*synonym* : corrosion, deterioration, corruption

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

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

### **filter**

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

*synonym* : strainer

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

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

## obsolescence

*n.* the process of becoming obsolete or outdated; the state of being no longer useable or relevant due to technological or social changes

*synonym* : outdatedness, antiquity, disuse

(1) planned **obsolescence**, (2) technological **obsolescence**

The rapid pace of technological advances has led to the **obsolescence** of many older products.

## curb

*v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk

*synonym* : restrain, limit, control

(1) **curb** appetite, (2) **curb** anxiety

He tried to **curb** his anger during the argument with his friend.

## electron

*n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge

*synonym* : negatron

(1) flow of **electrons**, (2) beam of **electrons**

The outermost **electron** shell determines the chemical properties of an atom.

## communal

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

*synonym* : collaborative, combined, collective

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

**Communal** elections were held in several European countries.

## facility

*n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

*synonym* : building, structure, installation

(1) a cell phone with an internet **facility**, (2) **facility** design

This company has an entire recycling **facility**, including major reprocessing plants.

## rethink

*v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

*synonym*: reexplore, review, reconsider

(1) **rethink** a marketing plan, (2) **rethink** the role of the manager

We have to **rethink** our company's product lineup for further growth.

## secondhand

*adj.* having been previously owned or used by someone else

*synonym*: used, pre-owned, recycled

(1) **secondhand** car, (2) **secondhand** information

He was excited to find a vintage suit at the **secondhand** shop for a fraction of the price of a new one.

## replacement

*n.* the act of replacing something with something else, especially that is newer or better; a person or thing that takes or can take the place of another

*synonym*: alternate, substitute, backup

(1) regular **replacement** of tires, (2) **replacement** cost

We demand his **replacement**.

## redesign

*v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

*synonym*: revamp, rework, remodel

(1) **redesign** project, (2) **redesign** of lifestyle

The company is planning to **redesign** its website.

## broad

*adj.* very wide; general

*synonym*: wide, expansive, comprehensive

(1) attract **broad** attention, (2) a **broad** mind

He accumulated wealth across a **broad** spectrum of assets.

## linear

*adj.* of, relating to, or consisting of lines or length; able to be expressed as a straight line, especially on a graph

*synonym*: straight, direct, right

(1) **linear** trend, (2) a **linear** equation

People tend to make **linear** predictions.

## 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.

## circular

*adj.* shaped like a circle; having a round form

*synonym* : round, loopy, oblique

(1) **circular** economy, (2) non- **circular** orbit

The **circular** shape of the planet makes it difficult to determine which direction is north.

## economy

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

*synonym* : finance, trade, business

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

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

## lifetime

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

*synonym* : lifespan, duration

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

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

## embarrass

*v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

*synonym* : disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project

He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in

public.

## backpack

*n.* a bag or pack that is worn on the back, often used for carrying books, equipment, or supplies

*synonym*: knapsack, rucksack, pack

(1) **backpacker's** hostel, (2) **backpacking** trip

I packed my **backpack** with all the necessary camping gear for our trip.

## consumption

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

*synonym*: usage, uptake, utilization

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

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

## repurpose

*v.* to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended

*synonym*: reutilize, recycle, reuse

(1) **repurpose** an old building, (2) **repurpose** a used car

The old barn was **repurposed** into a modern event space.

## refurbish

*v.* to renovate or improve something old or worn out, typically by cleaning, repairing, or replacing parts to restore its original condition or appearance

*synonym*: renovate, revamp, remodel

(1) **refurbish** a room, (2) **refurbish** a classic car

I plan to **refurbish** my old dresser with a fresh coat of paint and new drawer handles.

## 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.

## burrow

*v.* to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal

*synonym*: tunnel, dig, excavate

(1) **burrow** through the forest, (2) **burrow** into a mystery

You can't **burrow** through solid metal.

## fashion

*n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

*synonym*: style, manner, fad

(1) go out of **fashion**, (2) new **fashion** trends

That style is no longer in **fashion**.

## quantity

*n.* the amount or number of something; magnitude

*synonym*: abundance, portion, amount

(1) half **quantity**, (2) residual **quantity**

In southward, the average annual water **quantity** increases.

## realm

*n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

*synonym*: domain, empire, kingdom

(1) public **realm**, (2) beyond the **realm** of possibility

Her passions are in the **realm** of real-world political affairs.

## possibility

*n.* a chance that something may happen or be true

*synonym*: chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

## innovation

*n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation

*synonym*: invention, initiation, creation

(1) **innovation** leader, (2) cutting-edge **innovation**

The vegetarian burger was an **innovation** that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

## reliant

*adj.* needing something or something to continue, to work correctly, or to succeed

*synonym* : dependent, subservient

(1) heavily **reliant** on oil, (2) export- **reliant** economy

The company is heavily **reliant** on its overseas operations for revenue.

## realistic

*adj.* having or showing a sensible and practical idea that is possible to achieve

*synonym* : practical, pragmatic, down-to-earth

(1) a **realistic** goal, (2) a **realistic** goal

That story was so **realistic**, and it was scary.

## trajectory

*n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space

*synonym* : course, curve, orbit

(1) career **trajectory**, (2) a **trajectory** missile

The company has shown an excellent growth **trajectory** over the years.

## resilient

*adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

*synonym* : robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population

She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

## opportune

*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

*synonym* : suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

## scare

*v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

*synonym* : frighten, spook, intimidate

(1) **scare** off her attacker by screaming, (2) **scare** the birds



away

We hit the ground to **scare** out the rabbits.

## intrigue

v. to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone

*synonym*: attract, captivate, charm

(1) **intrigue** him, (2) **intrigue** against his rival

The artist's innovative style of work **intrigues** me.

## aspect

n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

*synonym*: characteristic, element, factor

(1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media production.

## individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

*synonym*: person, being, self

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

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

## improve

v. to make or become better

*synonym*: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

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

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

## reduction

n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree

*synonym*: diminution, decrease, cutback

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

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

## Session 2: Spelling

1. c\_\_b anxiety  
*v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk
2. fre\_\_\_\_\_er aquatic bird  
*adj.* living in, found in, or connecting with water that does not contain salt
3. re\_\_\_\_\_e CO2 into the air  
*v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
4. ba\_\_\_\_\_cking trip  
*n.* a bag or pack that is worn on the back, often used for carrying books, equipment, or supplies
5. le\_\_h calcium from the bones  
*v.* to remove or drain away something from a material, usually by seeping or filtering, such as chemicals from soil or minerals from rock
6. em\_\_\_\_\_ss political enemy  
*v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
7. regular rep\_\_\_\_\_nt of tires  
*n.* the act of replacing something with something else, especially that is newer or better; a person or thing that takes or can take the place of another
8. flour made from gr\_\_n  
*n.* wheat or any other small hard seeds used as a food; a relatively small granular particle of a substance
9. re\_\_\_\_\_se a used car  
*v.* to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended

ANSWERS: 1. curb, 2. freshwater, 3. release, 4. backpack, 5. leach, 6. embarrass, 7. replacement, 8. grain, 9. repurpose

10. the gl\_\_e of the sun  
v. to shine with a bright, harsh, or dazzling light; to stare fiercely or angrily, often with a piercing or threatening gaze; (noun) a strong, bright, and often harsh or uncomfortable light that can be blinding or difficult to look at directly
11. export-re\_\_\_\_\_t economy  
*adj.* needing something or something to continue, to work correctly, or to succeed
12. sh\_\_\_\_\_ng revelation  
*adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust
13. li\_\_\_\_\_me ban from the sport  
*n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
14. re\_\_\_e a request  
v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
15. gl\_\_\_\_\_r in her eyes  
v. to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines
16. b\_\_d curtain  
*n.* a small, usually round object made of glass, wood, or plastic that is used for decoration or as part of jewelry
17. mic\_\_\_\_\_tic particle  
*n.* tiny plastic fragments in the environment originating from consumer products and industrial waste
18. attract br\_\_d attention  
*adj.* very wide; general
19. ch\_\_n reaction  
*n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

ANSWERS: 10. glare, 11. reliant, 12. shocking, 13. lifetime, 14. refuse, 15. glitter, 16. bead, 17. microplastic, 18. broad, 19. chain

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| 20. co_____al swimming pool | <i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use  |
| 21. ec_____y class          | <i>n.</i> the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel |
| 22. environmental po_____on | <i>n.</i> the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change  |
| 23. st__w basket            | <i>n.</i> dry stalks of cereal plants used as fodder, fuel, basket, etc.   |
| 24. rep_____ion rate        | <i>n.</i> the process by which organisms create offspring; the production of something similar to an original work   |
| 25. an ove_____ing victory  | <i>adj.</i> very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it   |
| 26. re_____nt population    | <i>adj.</i> able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions   |
| 27. re___e the company      | <i>v.</i> to show that one is not willing to do or accept something  |
| 28. fa_____ty design        | <i>n.</i> a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry  |
| 29. re_____e a prisoner     | <i>v.</i> to set free or allow to escape from confinement  |
| 30. planned obs_____nce     | <i>n.</i> the process of becoming obsolete or outdated; the state of being no longer useable or relevant due to technological or social changes  |

ANSWERS: 20. communal, 21. economy, 22. pollution, 23. straw, 24. reproduction, 25. overwhelming, 26. resilient, 27. refuse, 28. facility, 29. release, 30. obsolescence

31. po\_\_\_\_\_er fabric *n.* a synthetic fabric consisting of polymers typically derived from petroleum, characterized by its durability, wrinkle resistance, and easy-care properties
32. pathogenic mi\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a tiny living thing that can only be seen with a microscope and that may cause disease
33. ac\_\_\_\_\_c sheet *n.* a type of plastic or synthetic resin that is used in various forms, such as paints, fabrics, and plastics, known for its clarity, durability, and versatility
34. demonstrate an up\_\_\_\_d trend *adv.* toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher place
35. save the pl\_\_\_\_t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
36. in\_\_\_\_\_le stars *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
37. co\_\_\_\_\_ic fenders on cars *adj.* relating to treatment aimed at restoring or improving a person's appearance and attractiveness; (noun) a substance that you put on your face or body to enhance its appearance and make it more attractive
38. during pr\_\_\_\_\_ol years *adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time

ANSWERS: 31. polyester, 32. microbe, 33. acrylic, 34. upward, 35. planet, 36. invisible, 37. cosmetic, 38. preschool

39. pl\_\_\_t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
40. hidden g\_m *n.* a precious or semiprecious stone, usually of high quality and often used as jewelry; something that is considered to be a highly prized and valuable possession or attribute of a person or thing
41. br\_\_\_h of wind *n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs
42. the characters that re\_\_\_\_\_nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
43. public re\_\_m *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
44. high levels of air po\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
45. re\_\_\_\_\_gn project *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
46. sy\_\_\_\_\_ic fiber *adj.* made by combining chemical substances as opposed to being naturally occurring
47. technological obs\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* the process of becoming obsolete or outdated; the state of being no longer useable or relevant due to technological or social changes

ANSWERS: 39. planet, 40. gem, 41. breath, 42. represent, 43. realm, 44. pollution, 45. redesign, 46. synthetic, 47. obsolescence

48. fre\_\_\_\_\_er area *adj.* living in, found in, or connecting with water that does not contain salt
49. an in\_\_\_\_\_le asset *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
50. culture of co\_\_\_\_n *n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing
51. shuck a c\_\_m *n.* a marine mollusk that burrows and lives on sand or mud, the shell closes with viselike firmness
52. t\_\_k into another cigarette *v.* to push a stray piece of clothing or material into a particular area or position, especially to make it more orderly or comfortable
53. co\_\_\_\_\_al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
54. equ\_\_\_\_\_nt amounts *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
55. de\_\_\_\_\_ve practices *adj.* tending to mislead or deceive either deliberately or inadvertently; causing one to believe what is not true or fail to believe what is true
56. ci\_\_\_\_\_ar economy *adj.* shaped like a circle; having a round form
57. la\_\_\_\_\_y room *n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
58. ind\_\_\_\_\_us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 48. freshwater, 49. invisible, 50. cotton, 51. clam, 52. tuck, 53. communal, 54. equivalent, 55. deceptive, 56. circular, 57. laundry, 58. industrious

59. a mailing la\_\_l *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
60. appearances are de\_\_\_\_\_ve *adj.* tending to mislead or deceive either deliberately or inadvertently; causing one to believe what is not true or fail to believe what is true
61. ba\_\_\_\_\_cker's hostel *n.* a bag or pack that is worn on the back, often used for carrying books, equipment, or supplies
62. re\_\_\_\_\_sh a classic car *v.* to renovate or improve something old or worn out, typically by cleaning, repairing, or replacing parts to restore its original condition or appearance
63. a me\_\_\_\_\_l opinion *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
64. con\_\_\_\_\_te his ego *v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture
65. floating zoo\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* very small animals that live in water and on which other sea creatures feed
66. oy\_\_\_r farm *n.* a bivalve mollusk with a rough irregular shell, often eaten raw or cooked, and sometimes used as a pearl-producing animal or a source of mother-of-pearl
67. mi\_\_\_\_\_es sterilizer *n.* a tiny living thing that can only be seen with a microscope and that may cause disease

ANSWERS: 59. label, 60. deceptive, 61. backpack, 62. refurbish, 63. medical, 64. contaminate, 65. zooplankton, 66. oyster, 67. microbe



68. re\_\_e existing knowledge      *v.* to use something again or more than once
69. rep\_\_\_\_\_ion system      *n.* the process by which organisms create offspring; the production of something similar to an original work
70. re\_\_\_\_\_e one word with another      *v.* to take the place of something
71. g\_m collection      *n.* a precious or semiprecious stone, usually of high quality and often used as jewelry; something that is considered to be a highly prized and valuable possession or attribute of a person or thing
72. re\_\_\_\_\_ve factors      *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
73. sh\_\_\_\_\_sh allergy      *n.* water creatures that live in shells, especially one of the types that can be eaten
74. bu\_\_\_w into a mystery      *v.* to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal
75. residual qu\_\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* the amount or number of something; magnitude
76. b\_n any type of cloning      *v.* to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something
77. beyond the re\_\_m of possibility      *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
78. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark      *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 68. reuse, 69. reproduction, 70. replace, 71. gem, 72. relative, 73. shellfish, 74. burrow, 75. quantity, 76. ban, 77. realm, 78. opportune

79. marine ec\_\_\_\_\_em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
80. im\_\_\_\_\_e the test score *v.* to make or become better
81. in\_\_\_\_\_ue against his rival *v.* to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone
82. look up\_\_\_\_d *adv.* toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher place
83. ind\_\_\_\_\_al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
84. re\_\_\_\_\_on strategy *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
85. re\_\_\_\_\_se an old building *v.* to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended
86. biological po\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a substance composed of macromolecules (= large groups of atoms) made from many smaller and simpler molecules
87. h\_\_t after knowledge *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
88. carbon fi\_\_r *n.* thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile
89. the con\_\_\_\_\_on of food *n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials

ANSWERS: 79. ecosystem, 80. improve, 81. intrigue, 82. upward, 83. individual, 84. reduction, 85. repurpose, 86. polymer, 87. hunt, 88. fiber, 89. consumption

90. le\_\_h into the brewed coffee      *v.* to remove or drain away something from a material, usually by seeping or filtering, such as chemicals from soil or minerals from rock
91. rice st\_\_w      *n.* dry stalks of cereal plants used as fodder, fuel, basket, etc.
92. edible sh\_\_\_\_\_sh      *n.* water creatures that live in shells, especially one of the types that can be eaten
93. po\_\_\_\_\_er blend      *n.* a synthetic fabric consisting of polymers typically derived from petroleum, characterized by its durability, wrinkle resistance, and easy-care properties
94. z\_\_m lens      *v.* to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air
95. la\_\_l a bag with my name      *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
96. t\_\_k a baby in the blanket      *v.* to push a stray piece of clothing or material into a particular area or position, especially to make it more orderly or comfortable
97. biodegradable p\_\_y      *n.* (a prefix meaning "many" or "much") commonly used in chemistry, biology, and other sciences to indicate a large, complex structure or molecule that is made up of repeating units, such as polyester, polymer
98. re\_\_\_\_\_e a phone      *v.* to take the place of something

ANSWERS: 90. leach, 91. straw, 92. shellfish, 93. polyester, 94. zoom, 95. label, 96. tuck, 97. poly, 98. replace

99. apply the br\_\_e *n.* a device used to slow or stop a moving vehicle, typically by applying pressure to the wheels
100. mic\_\_\_\_\_tic pollution in the sea *n.* tiny plastic fragments in the environment originating from consumer products and industrial waste
101. a primitive ma\_\_\_l *n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
102. 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
103. di\_\_\_e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
104. supply ch\_\_n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
105. the hydrogen binds the ox\_\_\_n *n.* the chemical element with the symbol O that is present in air and water and is necessary for people, animals, and plants to live
106. rep\_\_\_\_\_nt cost *n.* the act of replacing something with something else, especially that is newer or better; a person or thing that takes or can take the place of another
107. clogged fi\_\_\_r *n.* any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light

ANSWERS: 99. brake, 100. microplastic, 101. mammal, 102. stick, 103. divide, 104. chain, 105. oxygen, 106. replacement, 107. filter

108. send out the la\_\_\_\_y                    *n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
109. s\_w with thread                        *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
110. a sort of ma\_\_\_l                        *n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
111. synthetic re\_\_n                        *n.* a sticky, viscous substance typically obtained from trees and plants, particularly conifers and evergreens; a material used in the manufacture of adhesives, plastics, and other products, particularly those that require stiffness or abrasion resistance
112. bu\_\_\_w through the forest            *v.* to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal
113. the average life s\_\_n                   *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
114. a ch\_\_\_\_al compound                *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
115. flow of el\_\_\_\_ons                      *n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
116. 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

ANSWERS: 108. laundry, 109. sew, 110. mammal, 111. resin, 112. burrow, 113. span, 114. chemical, 115. electron, 116. stick

117. art cr\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
118. a re\_\_\_\_\_ic goal *adj.* having or showing a sensible and practical idea that is possible to achieve
119. gl\_\_e at my opponent *v.* to shine with a bright, harsh, or dazzling light; to stare fiercely or angrily, often with a piercing or threatening gaze; (noun) a strong, bright, and often harsh or uncomfortable light that can be blinding or difficult to look at directly
120. a gradual re\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
121. em\_\_\_e building *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
122. g\_\_m amount *n.* a metric unit of weight equal to one-thousandth of a kilogram
123. gas fi\_\_\_r *n.* any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light
124. a li\_\_\_r equation *adj.* of, relating to, or consisting of lines or length; able to be expressed as a straight line, especially on a graph
125. re\_\_\_\_\_er competition *n.* a person or business that sells goods to the public, typically in small quantities
126. variety of ma\_\_\_e life *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
127. ma\_\_\_\_\_a smudge *n.* a cosmetic product used to darken, thicken, and define eyelashes

ANSWERS: 117. critic, 118. realistic, 119. glare, 120. reduction, 121. empire, 122. gram, 123. filter, 124. linear, 125. retailer, 126. marine, 127. mascara

128. go out of fa\_\_\_\_n  
*n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
129. wh\_\_\_\_ng price  
*adj.* extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock
130. hold your br\_\_\_\_h  
*n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs
131. average fuel con\_\_\_\_\_on  
*n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials
132. change the ec\_\_\_\_\_em  
*n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
133. li\_\_\_\_r trend  
*adj.* of, relating to, or consisting of lines or length; able to be expressed as a straight line, especially on a graph
134. en\_\_\_\_er shortage  
*n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
135. op\_\_\_\_\_ne occasion  
*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
136. t\_\_e pressure  
*v.* to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued;  
*(noun)* a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving

ANSWERS: 128. fashion, 129. whopping, 130. breath, 131. consumption, 132. ecosystem, 133. linear, 134. engineer, 135. opportune, 136. tire

137. sc\_\_e off her attacker by screaming *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
138. cutting-edge inn\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
139. a tra\_\_\_\_\_ry missile *n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
140. have a ne\_\_\_\_\_ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
141. gl\_\_\_\_\_r against her skin *v.* to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines
142. ind\_\_\_\_\_al alcohol *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
143. re\_\_\_\_\_e the cardboard boxes *v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
144. pos\_\_\_\_\_ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
145. ancient ar\_\_\_\_\_k *n.* the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.
146. giant c\_\_m *n.* a marine mollusk that burrows and lives on sand or mud, the shell closes with viselike firmness
147. new fa\_\_\_\_\_n trends *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
148. ma\_\_\_e insurance *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there

ANSWERS: 137. scare, 138. innovation, 139. trajectory, 140. negative, 141. glitter, 142. industrial, 143. recycle, 144. possibility, 145. artwork, 146. clam, 147. fashion, 148. marine





155. minor co\_\_\_\_\_ic changes      *adj.* relating to treatment aimed at restoring or improving a person's appearance and attractiveness; (noun) a substance that you put on your face or body to enhance its appearance and make it more attractive
156. re\_\_\_\_\_nt by a diagram      *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
157. tree re\_\_n      *n.* a sticky, viscous substance typically obtained from trees and plants, particularly conifers and evergreens; a material used in the manufacture of adhesives, plastics, and other products, particularly those that require stiffness or abrasion resistance
158. es\_\_\_\_\_te a fair value      *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
159. freshwater zoo\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* very small animals that live in water and on which other sea creatures feed
160. me\_\_\_c units      *adj.* using or relating to the meter as a unit of length; a system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic
161. wh\_\_\_\_\_ng success      *adj.* extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock
162. an al\_\_m clock      *n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

ANSWERS: 155. cosmetic, 156. represent, 157. resin, 158. estimate, 159. zooplankton, 160. metric, 161. whopping, 162. alarm

163. beginning of the ind\_\_\_\_\_al  
revolution *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from  
industry
164. br\_\_e pedal *n.* a device used to slow or stop a moving  
vehicle, typically by applying pressure  
to the wheels
165. career tra\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* the curved path followed by an object  
moving through space
166. mu\_\_\_\_\_ly about hundredfold *v.* to add a number to itself a specified  
number of times; to increase or cause  
to increase very much in number or  
quantity
167. ind\_\_\_\_\_us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in  
effort
168. re\_\_\_\_\_gn of lifestyle *v.* to design something again, especially in  
a different or modified form; (noun) the  
process of designing something again
169. heavily re\_\_\_\_\_t on oil *adj.* needing something or something to  
continue, to work correctly, or to  
succeed
170. a s\_\_t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small  
round or roundish area, differing in color  
or feels from the surface around it
171. there is no other alt\_\_\_\_\_ve *n.* one of two or more available  
possibilities or choice
172. high ar\_\_\_c *adj.* of or relating to the region around the  
North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very  
cold
173. se\_\_\_n dress *n.* a decorative item consisting of a small,  
shiny disc or bead typically sewn onto  
clothing for added embellishment

ANSWERS: 163. industrial, 164. brake, 165. trajectory, 166. multiply, 167.  
industrious, 168. redesign, 169. reliant, 170. spot, 171. alternative, 172. arctic, 173.  
sequin

174. ar\_\_\_c ice *adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold
175. half qu\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the amount or number of something; magnitude
176. a private ind\_\_\_\_\_al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
177. ac\_\_\_\_\_c nails *n.* a type of plastic or synthetic resin that is used in various forms, such as paints, fabrics, and plastics, known for its clarity, durability, and versatility
178. oy\_\_\_r shell *n.* a bivalve mollusk with a rough irregular shell, often eaten raw or cooked, and sometimes used as a pearl-producing animal or a source of mother-of-pearl
179. pe\_\_\_t stove *n.* a small, round piece of compressed material, such as wood or plastic
180. severe cr\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
181. em\_\_\_e of the Maya *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
182. pr\_\_\_\_\_ol education *adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time
183. a ne\_\_\_\_\_ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
184. a civil en\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

ANSWERS: 174. arctic, 175. quantity, 176. individual, 177. acrylic, 178. oyster, 179. pellet, 180. critic, 181. empire, 182. preschool, 183. negative, 184. engineer

185. sh\_\_\_\_ng response *adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust
186. st\_\_\_\_e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
187. li\_\_\_\_me benefits *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
188. ar\_\_\_\_k conservation *n.* the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.
189. an alt\_\_\_\_ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
190. a gr\_\_n of sand *n.* wheat or any other small hard seeds used as a food; a relatively small granular particle of a substance
191. re\_\_\_\_er strategy *n.* a person or business that sells goods to the public, typically in small quantities
192. pos\_\_\_\_ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
193. lack of ox\_\_\_\_n *n.* the chemical element with the symbol O that is present in air and water and is necessary for people, animals, and plants to live
194. beauty s\_\_t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
195. skin ab\_\_\_\_ons *n.* the process of scraping or wearing away of a surface or substance through friction or erosion

ANSWERS: 185. shocking, 186. strike, 187. lifetime, 188. artwork, 189. alternative, 190. grain, 191. retailer, 192. possibility, 193. oxygen, 194. spot, 195. abrasion

196. di\_\_\_e the cake into two pieces      *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
197. equ\_\_\_\_\_nt in meaning      *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
198. re\_\_\_\_\_sh a room      *v.* to renovate or improve something old or worn out, typically by cleaning, repairing, or replacing parts to restore its original condition or appearance
199. a nervous br\_\_\_\_\_wn      *n.* a failure or collapse of a system or organization
200. pr\_\_\_\_\_y education      *adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
201. ove\_\_\_\_\_ing majority      *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
202. re\_\_e the materials      *v.* to use something again or more than once
203. non-ci\_\_\_\_\_ar orbit      *adj.* shaped like a circle; having a round form
204. beam of el\_\_\_\_\_ons      *n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
205. mu\_\_\_\_\_ly 5 and 6      *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
206. a br\_\_d mind      *adj.* very wide; general

ANSWERS: 196. divide, 197. equivalent, 198. refurbish, 199. breakdown, 200. primary, 201. overwhelming, 202. reuse, 203. circular, 204. electron, 205. multiply, 206. broad

207. 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
208. sl\_\_e a glance      *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
209. give the al\_\_m      *n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger
210. br\_\_\_\_\_wn maintenance      *n.* a failure or collapse of a system or organization
211. key performance me\_\_\_cs      *adj.* using or relating to the meter as a unit of length; a system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic
212. t\_\_e my patience      *v.* to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued; (noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving
213. h\_\_t a job      *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
214. pol\_\_\_\_\_ne packaging      *n.* a lightweight, thermoplastic polymer material used in the manufacture of a wide range of products, including packaging, insulation, and consumer goods

ANSWERS: 207. dispose, 208. slide, 209. alarm, 210. breakdown, 211. metric, 212. tire, 213. hunt, 214. polystyrene

215. ec\_\_\_\_y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
216. gold se\_\_\_\_n *n.* a decorative item consisting of a small, shiny disc or bead typically sewn onto clothing for added embellishment
217. pr\_\_\_\_y school *adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
218. es\_\_\_\_te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
219. im\_\_\_\_e a process *v.* to make or become better
220. nontechnical as\_\_\_\_ts of the job *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
221. b\_n gender-related job discrimination *v.* to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something
222. the s\_\_n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
223. centimeter-g\_\_m-second system *n.* a metric unit of weight equal to one-thousandth of a kilogram

ANSWERS: 215. economy, 216. sequin, 217. primary, 218. estimate, 219. improve, 220. aspect, 221. ban, 222. span, 223. gram



224. 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
225. mi\_\_\_n imaging      *n.* a unit of measurement equal to one-millionth of a meter, used for measuring the size of particles and microorganisms
226. a hard and re\_\_\_\_\_nt steel      *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
227. sy\_\_\_\_\_ic fertilizer      *adj.* made by combining chemical substances as opposed to being naturally occurring
228. co\_\_\_n cloth      *n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing
229. synthetic fi\_\_r      *n.* thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile
230. 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
231. re\_\_\_\_\_e milk packaging into new paper      *v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
232. the form of a small pe\_\_\_t      *n.* a small, round piece of compressed material, such as wood or plastic
233. po\_\_\_\_\_r fiber      *n.* a substance composed of macromolecules (= large groups of atoms) made from many smaller and simpler molecules

ANSWERS: 224. strike, 225. micron, 226. resilient, 227. synthetic, 228. cotton, 229. fiber, 230. dispose, 231. recycle, 232. pellet, 233. polymer

234. s\_w a button *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
235. a cell phone with an internet fa\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
236. sl\_\_e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
237. reclosable p\_\_y bag *n.* (a prefix meaning "many" or "much") commonly used in chemistry, biology, and other sciences to indicate a large, complex structure or molecule that is made up of repeating units, such as polyester, polymer
238. env\_\_\_\_\_nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
239. waterproof ma\_\_\_\_\_a *n.* a cosmetic product used to darken, thicken, and define eyelashes
240. re\_\_\_\_\_k a marketing plan *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
241. a broken fr\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached
242. protect against ab\_\_\_\_\_ons *n.* the process of scraping or wearing away of a surface or substance through friction or erosion
243. toxic ch\_\_\_\_\_als *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
244. re\_\_\_\_\_k the role of the manager *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

ANSWERS: 234. sew, 235. facility, 236. slide, 237. poly, 238. environment, 239. mascara, 240. rethink, 241. fragment, 242. abrasion, 243. chemical, 244. rethink

245. con\_\_\_\_\_te with a disease      *v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture
246. pol\_\_\_\_\_ne foam      *n.* a lightweight, thermoplastic polymer material used in the manufacture of a wide range of products, including packaging, insulation, and consumer goods
247. cotton l\_\_t      *n.* small fibers or fluff that accumulate on clothing, fabric, or other surfaces, typically as a result of wear or friction
248. em\_\_\_\_\_ss my project      *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
249. z\_\_m in on a photo      *v.* to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air
250. inn\_\_\_\_\_on leader      *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
251. sec\_\_\_\_\_nd car      *adj.* having been previously owned or used by someone else
252. a remote re\_\_\_\_\_ve      *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
253. in\_\_\_\_\_ue him      *v.* to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone
254. a beautiful b\_\_d      *n.* a small, usually round object made of glass, wood, or plastic that is used for decoration or as part of jewelry
255. sc\_\_e the birds away      *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

ANSWERS: 245. contaminate, 246. polystyrene, 247. lint, 248. embarrass, 249. zoom, 250. innovation, 251. secondhand, 252. relative, 253. intrigue, 254. bead, 255. scare

256. temporary me\_\_\_\_\_l treatment      *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
257. as\_\_\_ts of social, political, and economic life      *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
258. fr\_\_\_\_\_nt of a text      *n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached
259. sec\_\_\_\_\_nd information      *adj.* having been previously owned or used by someone else
260. chaotic env\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
261. plainly ev\_\_\_\_\_t      *adj.* apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment
262. l\_\_t roller      *n.* small fibers or fluff that accumulate on clothing, fabric, or other surfaces, typically as a result of wear or friction
263. c\_\_b appetite      *v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk

ANSWERS: 256. medical, 257. aspect, 258. fragment, 259. secondhand, 260. environment, 261. evident, 262. lint, 263. curb

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He bated his \_\_\_\_\_ when talking about this affair.  
*n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs
2. He has shown signs of uneasiness and \_\_\_\_\_ worry.  
*adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
3. We have to \_\_\_\_\_ our company's product lineup for further growth.  
*v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
4. The new smartphone has a \_\_\_\_\_ 1TB of storage space.  
*adj.* extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock
5. She applied the \_\_\_\_\_ to her lashes for a dramatic look.  
*n.* a cosmetic product used to darken, thicken, and define eyelashes
6. His professional experience includes all \_\_\_\_\_ of media production.  
*n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
7. We \_\_\_\_\_ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.  
*v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
8. \_\_\_\_\_ diamonds play an essential role as machine tool blades.  
*adj.* made by combining chemical substances as opposed to being naturally occurring

ANSWERS: 1. breath, 2. overwhelming, 3. rethink, 4. whopping, 5. mascara, 6. aspects, 7. estimated, 8. Synthetic

9. \_\_\_\_\_ surgery is becoming more common in Asia due to lowering prices.  
*adj.* relating to treatment aimed at restoring or improving a person's appearance and attractiveness; (noun) a substance that you put on your face or body to enhance its appearance and make it more attractive
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.  
*n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
11. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
12. This company has an entire recycling \_\_\_\_\_ including major reprocessing plants.  
*n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
13. People tend to make \_\_\_\_\_ predictions.  
*adj.* of, relating to, or consisting of lines or length; able to be expressed as a straight line, especially on a graph
14. He slightly modified the \_\_\_\_\_ of training because it was just before a match.  
*n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
15. The enga\_\_\_\_\_ ring was a precious gem passed down through generations of her family.  
*n.* a precious or semiprecious stone, usually of high quality and often used as jewelry; something that is considered to be a highly prized and valuable possession or attribute of a person or thing

ANSWERS: 9. Cosmetic, 10. engineer, 11. critics, 12. facility, 13. linear, 14. span, 15. gemment

16. The old barn was \_\_\_\_\_ into a modern event space.  
*v.* to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended
17. The politician's statements were found to be \_\_\_\_\_ and not based on fact.  
*adj.* tending to mislead or deceive either deliberately or inadvertently; causing one to believe what is not true or fail to believe what is true
18. He has built a thriving e-commerce \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
19. Ozone is a primary \_\_\_\_\_ to protect Earth's surface from harmful UV rays.  
*n.* any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light
20. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the machinery caused a delay in production.  
*n.* a failure or collapse of a system or organization
21. The \_\_\_\_\_ cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.  
*adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
22. I need to do the \_\_\_\_\_ before I run out of clean clothes.  
*n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
23. He \_\_\_\_\_ back in time to the soccer game.  
*v.* to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air

ANSWERS: 16. repurposed, 17. deceptive, 18. empire, 19. filter, 20. breakdown, 21. primary, 22. laundry, 23. zoomed

24. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the plant depends on the pollinators.  
*n.* the process by which organisms create offspring; the production of something similar to an original work
25. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.  
*n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
26. The rapid pace of technological advances has led to the \_\_\_\_\_ of many older products.  
*n.* the process of becoming obsolete or outdated; the state of being no longer useable or relevant due to technological or social changes
27. This microbe is a parasite of \_\_\_\_\_ fish.  
*adj.* living in, found in, or connecting with water that does not contain salt
28. 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
29. That story was so \_\_\_\_\_ and it was scary.  
*adj.* having or showing a sensible and practical idea that is possible to achieve
30. He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.  
*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
31. The news of the accident was \_\_\_\_\_ and left many in shock.  
*adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust

ANSWERS: 24. reproduction, 25. label, 26. obsolescence, 27. freshwater, 28. strike, 29. realistic, 30. industrious, 31. shocking



32. I must remove the \_\_\_\_\_ from my clothes before leaving the house.
- n.* small fibers or fluff that accumulate on clothing, fabric, or other surfaces, typically as a result of wear or friction
33. 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
34. Her dress was covered in shimmering \_\_\_\_\_ that caught the light.
- n.* a decorative item consisting of a small, shiny disc or bead typically sewn onto clothing for added embellishment
35. You should \_\_\_\_\_ your shirt into your trousers.
- v.* to push a stray piece of clothing or material into a particular area or position, especially to make it more orderly or comfortable
36. The company is heavily \_\_\_\_\_ on its overseas operations for revenue.
- adj.* needing something or something to continue, to work correctly, or to succeed
37. The \_\_\_\_\_ of getting the disease will drastically increase.
- n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
38. The European Central Bank is Europe's \_\_\_\_\_ of the Federal Reserve.
- n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
39. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

ANSWERS: 32. lint, 33. stick, 34. sequins, 35. tuck, 36. reliant, 37. possibility, 38. equivalent, 39. ecosystem

40. Can you \_\_\_\_\_ 123321 by eleven?

*v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

41. \_\_\_\_\_ a number by itself twice.

*v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity

42. We are developing plant-derived \_\_\_\_\_ to reduce environmental impact.

*n.* a substance composed of macromolecules (= large groups of atoms) made from many smaller and simpler molecules

43. The company is planning to \_\_\_\_\_ its website.

*v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

44. The results of that election put a \_\_\_\_\_ on political reform.

*n.* a device used to slow or stop a moving vehicle, typically by applying pressure to the wheels

45. Her dress \_\_\_\_\_ in the sunlight as she walked down the street.

*v.* to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines

46. The archaeologist carefully pieced together the tiny \_\_\_\_\_ of pottery found at the dig site.

*n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached

47. The movie has received almost universally \_\_\_\_\_ criticism.

*adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

ANSWERS: 40. divide, 41. Multiply, 42. polymers, 43. redesign, 44. brake, 45. glittered, 46. fragments, 47. negative

48. We largely \_\_\_\_\_ the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.

- v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again

49. Ordinary air purifiers cannot adequately remove pollen \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* wheat or any other small hard seeds used as a food; a relatively small granular particle of a substance

50. The artist's innovative style of work \_\_\_\_\_ me.

- v.* to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone

51. We demand his \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the act of replacing something with something else, especially that is newer or better; a person or thing that takes or can take the place of another

52. Mercury is the closest \_\_\_\_\_ to the sun.

- n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

53. Her passions are in the \_\_\_\_\_ of real-world political affairs.

- n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

54. The \_\_\_\_\_ shape of the planet makes it difficult to determine which direction is north.

- adj.* shaped like a circle; having a round form

55. The passenger grabbed for the \_\_\_\_\_ mask.

- n.* the chemical element with the symbol O that is present in air and water and is necessary for people, animals, and plants to live

ANSWERS: 48. recycle, 49. grains, 50. intrigues, 51. replacement, 52. planet, 53. realm, 54. circular, 55. oxygen

56. He accumulated wealth across a \_\_\_\_\_ spectrum of assets.

*adj.* very wide; general

57. We should \_\_\_\_ mildly violent video games from a child's development perspective.

*v.* to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something

58. She had lived through two world wars in her \_\_\_\_\_.

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

59. My initial reaction was to \_\_\_\_\_.

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

60. You can't \_\_\_\_\_ through solid metal.

*v.* to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal

61. He was excited to find a vintage suit at the \_\_\_\_\_ shop for a fraction of the price of a new one.

*adj.* having been previously owned or used by someone else

62. The \_\_\_\_\_ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

*n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

63. In southward, the average annual water \_\_\_\_\_ increases.

*n.* the amount or number of something; magnitude

64. In our country, water \_\_\_\_\_ usually decreases during the winter.

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

ANSWERS: 56. broad, 57. ban, 58. lifetime, 59. refuse, 60. burrow, 61. secondhand, 62. chain, 63. quantity, 64. consumption

65. The \_\_\_\_\_ gun was used to shoot small metal balls.

*n.* a small, round piece of compressed material, such as wood or plastic

66. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

*adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

67. Hounds \_\_\_\_\_ their prey by using their keen scent.

*v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit

68. We store all of our drinking water in a large \_\_\_\_\_ tank on the roof of our house.

*n.* (a prefix meaning "many" or "much") commonly used in chemistry, biology, and other sciences to indicate a large, complex structure or molecule that is made up of repeating units, such as polyester, polymer

69. She threaded the \_\_\_\_\_ onto the string to make a necklace.

*n.* a small, usually round object made of glass, wood, or plastic that is used for decoration or as part of jewelry

70. \_\_\_\_\_ elections were held in several European countries.

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

71. My mother taught me how to \_\_\_\_\_.

*v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

72. The chemicals from the landfill have begun to \_\_\_\_\_ into the groundwater.

*v.* to remove or drain away something from a material, usually by seeping or filtering, such as chemicals from soil or minerals from rock

ANSWERS: 65. pellet, 66. resilient, 67. hunt, 68. poly, 69. beads, 70. Communal, 71. sew, 72. leach

73. Cold temperatures and long, dark winters characterize the \_\_\_\_\_ climate.  
*adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold
74. The surface of the wooden table had several \_\_\_\_\_ from years of use.  
*n.* the process of scraping or wearing away of a surface or substance through friction or erosion
75. The price of raw \_\_\_\_\_ continued to rise.  
*n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing
76. In the \_\_\_\_\_ system, measurements are made in meters and liters.  
*adj.* using or relating to the meter as a unit of length; a system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic
77. I plan to \_\_\_\_\_ my old dresser with a fresh coat of paint and new drawer handles.  
*v.* to renovate or improve something old or worn out, typically by cleaning, repairing, or replacing parts to restore its original condition or appearance
78. The vegetarian burger was an \_\_\_\_\_ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.  
*n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
79. I packed my \_\_\_\_\_ with all the necessary camping gear for our trip.  
*n.* a bag or pack that is worn on the back, often used for carrying books, equipment, or supplies
80. My old school's \_\_\_\_\_ program was well-regarded and had an excellent reputation.  
*adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time

ANSWERS: 73. arctic, 74. abrasions, 75. cotton, 76. metric, 77. refurbish, 78. innovation, 79. backpack, 80. preschool

81. The outermost \_\_\_\_\_ shell determines the chemical properties of an atom.  
*n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
82. The \_\_\_\_\_ in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.  
*n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
83. The diversity of riverine ecosystems influences the variety of \_\_\_\_\_ in marine areas.  
*n.* very small animals that live in water and on which other sea creatures feed
84. If necessary, you can \_\_\_\_\_ the front seats forward.  
*v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
85. The phenomenon is \_\_\_\_\_ at optical wavelengths.  
*adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
86. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ out my dog with a long walk so that he will sleep through the night.  
*v.* to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued; (noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving
87. The sun \_\_\_\_\_ down on us, making it difficult to see without squinting our eyes.  
*v.* to shine with a bright, harsh, or dazzling light; to stare fiercely or angrily, often with a piercing or threatening gaze; (noun) a strong, bright, and often harsh or uncomfortable light that can be blinding or difficult to look at directly
88. This remote \_\_\_\_\_ is rarely visited.  
*n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

ANSWERS: 81. electron, 82. reduction, 83. zooplankton, 84. slide, 85. invisible, 86. tire, 87. glared, 88. spot

89. \_\_\_\_\_ thrive on the surface of the human skin.  
*n.* a tiny living thing that can only be seen with a microscope and that may cause disease
90. The \_\_\_\_\_ hat protected her face from the sun while she worked in the fields.  
*n.* dry stalks of cereal plants used as fodder, fuel, basket, etc.
91. The company has shown an excellent growth \_\_\_\_\_ over the years.  
*n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
92. Marine \_\_\_\_\_ populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.  
*n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
93. The company adjusted the revenue \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adv.* toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher place
94. As an \_\_\_\_\_ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.  
*n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
95. The jacket's exterior was made of \_\_\_\_\_ while the interior was lined with warm and cozy fleece.  
*n.* a synthetic fabric consisting of polymers typically derived from petroleum, characterized by its durability, wrinkle resistance, and easy-care properties
96. 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

ANSWERS: 89. Microbes, 90. straw, 91. trajectory, 92. mammal, 93. upward, 94. individual, 95. polyester, 96. disposed



97. The animal rights group worked to \_\_\_\_\_ the dolphins back into the wild.
- v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
98. The \_\_\_\_\_ is endangering the local plants and animals.
- n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
99. Several scholars have pointed out that inhalation of \_\_\_\_\_ may have adverse effects on the human body.
- n.* tiny plastic fragments in the environment originating from consumer products and industrial waste
100. We hit the ground to \_\_\_\_\_ out the rabbits.
- v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
101. The \_\_\_\_\_ digs through the sand to a significant depth.
- n.* a marine mollusk that burrows and lives on sand or mud, the shell closes with viselike firmness
102. \_\_\_\_\_ can cause allergic reactions in certain people.
- n.* water creatures that live in shells, especially one of the types that can be eaten
103. The \_\_\_\_\_ suit kept the diver buoyant and able to move freely in the water.
- n.* the act or process of floating or the state of being buoyant in a liquid, often used in the context of flotation therapy where individuals float in a tank or pool containing a highly buoyant saltwater solution, often for relaxation or therapeutic purposes; (of finance) the process of a company 'going public' - that is, the transition of a private company to a publicly traded one
104. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using \_\_\_\_\_ medicines.
- n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice

ANSWERS: 97. release, 98. pollution, 99. microplastics, 100. scare, 101. clam, 102. Shellfish, 103. flotation, 104. alternative

105. The supermarket encourages shoppers to \_\_\_\_\_ plastic bags.  
*v.* to use something again or more than once
106. The construction industry often utilizes \_\_\_\_\_ insulation panels to improve building energy efficiency.  
*n.* a lightweight, thermoplastic polymer material used in the manufacture of a wide range of products, including packaging, insulation, and consumer goods
107. The consumer-electronics \_\_\_\_\_ offered a discount for customers who paid in cash.  
*n.* a person or business that sells goods to the public, typically in small quantities
108. To advance this discussion, we must \_\_\_\_\_ "success" rigorously.  
*v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
109. Videos documenting the process of creating this pencil \_\_\_\_\_ have been popular worldwide.  
*n.* the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.
110. How much is it per one hundred \_\_\_\_\_  
*n.* a metric unit of weight equal to one-thousandth of a kilogram
111. I ordered a dozen \_\_\_\_\_ as an appetizer at the seafood restaurant.  
*n.* a bivalve mollusk with a rough irregular shell, often eaten raw or cooked, and sometimes used as a pearl-producing animal or a source of mother-of-pearl
112. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

ANSWERS: 105. reuse, 106. polystyrene, 107. retailer, 108. define, 109. artwork, 110. grams?, 111. oysters, 112. environment

113. The guitar was coated with a \_\_\_\_\_ layer to protect the wood and enhance the tone.

- n.* a sticky, viscous substance typically obtained from trees and plants, particularly conifers and evergreens; a material used in the manufacture of adhesives, plastics, and other products, particularly those that require stiffness or abrasion resistance

114. We strive not to \_\_\_\_\_ the environment when demolishing petroleum plants.

- v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture

115. With \_\_\_\_\_ joy, he signed his name.

- adj.* apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment

116. That style is no longer in \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

117. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his anger during the argument with his friend.

- v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk

118. We must consume dietary \_\_\_\_\_ to maintain good health.

- n.* thread or filament used to make a vegetable tissue, mineral material, or textile

119. We elected him to \_\_\_\_\_ us at the international conference.

- v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

120. Eventually, the new design will \_\_\_\_\_ all older models.

- v.* to take the place of something

ANSWERS: 113. resin, 114. contaminate, 115. evident, 116. fashion, 117. curb, 118. fiber, 119. represent, 120. replace

121. He looked for an opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_ that actor in public.

*v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

122. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.

*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

123. The artist painted a beautiful landscape using \_\_\_\_\_ paints.

*n.* a type of plastic or synthetic resin that is used in various forms, such as paints, fabrics, and plastics, known for its clarity, durability, and versatility

124. The firm has grown into a large \_\_\_\_\_ manufacturing.

*adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;

125. \_\_\_\_\_ design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.

*adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry

126. Seals and whales are \_\_\_\_\_ animals beloved by the people.

*adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there

127. We want to \_\_\_\_\_ ties between our two countries.

*v.* to make or become better

128. The width of a single human hair is around 100 \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a unit of measurement equal to one-millionth of a meter, used for measuring the size of particles and microorganisms

129. The \_\_\_\_\_ announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.

*n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

ANSWERS: 121. embarrass, 122. opportune, 123. acrylic, 124. chemical, 125. Industrial, 126. marine, 127. improve, 128. microns, 129. alarm

130. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

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

131. The \_\_\_\_\_ team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

*adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

132. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

ANSWERS: 130. economy, 131. medical, 132. relatives