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Session 1: Word List

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

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

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

collapse

v. to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart

synonym: tumble, spill, bankruptcy

(1) the stock market **collapsed**, (2) ready to **collapse**

The roof finally **collapsed** after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.

copper

n. a chemical element that is a soft, malleable, and ductile metal with very high thermal and electrical conductivity

(1) **copper** alloy, (2) **copper** belt

He made the old **copper** coins shine.

trap

n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

synonym: catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal

The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

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**.

refuge

n. the state of being safe or protected from danger, trouble, or difficulty, or a place providing shelter or protection from them

synonym: shelter, fortress, hide-out

(1) **refuge** camp, (2) a harbor of **refuge**
Some of the emigres sought **refuge** in this country.

intense

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

synonym: extreme, fierce, harsh

(1) **intense** heat, (2) develop **intense** itching
That statement by the prime minister drew **intense** international criticism.

filth

n. dirt, grime, or other disgusting or offensive material; an act or state of being extremely dirty or foul

synonym: dirt, grime, pollution

(1) layer of **filth**, (2) accumulation of **filth**
The janitor had to clean up the **filth** left behind after the concert.

drill

n. a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice

synonym: exercise, routine, training

(1) the **drill** hit the well, (2) fire **drill**
Several military **drill** programs have become popular methods of exercise.

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.

miner

n. a person who works in a mine (= excavation in the Earth from which ores and minerals are extracted), especially one who extracts coal, minerals, or precious metals from the Earth

synonym: digger, excavator, miner

(1) **miner** strike, (2) **miner** industry

The coal **miner** worked tirelessly to extract valuable minerals from deep underground.

remarkable

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

synonym: outstanding, exceptional, extraordinary

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

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

teamwork

n. the combined action of a group of people working together towards a common goal

synonym: collaboration, cooperation, coordination

(1) poor **teamwork**, (2) **teamwork** in business

Harmonious **teamwork** is essential to the success of this project.

coordinate

v. to bring the different parts of the activity and the people into an organized, ordered, or efficient relationship;
(adjective) of equal importance, rank, or degree

synonym: organize, harmonize, ordinate

(1) **coordinate** a special project, (2) a **coordinate** clause

We want to **coordinate** a schedule for the investigation.

collaborate

v. to work with someone else to produce or achieve something

synonym: cooperate, unite, get together

(1) **collaborate** with the police, (2) **collaborate** on a press

release

She agreed to **collaborate** with him in creating new artwork.

boundary

n. a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

synonym : border, frontier, limitation

(1) geographical **boundary**, (2) the **boundary** between reality and fantasy

He wandered the **boundary** between life and death by gunfire.

distance

n. the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

synonym : space, gap, span

(1) driving **distance**, (2) social **distance**

The marathon runner covered a long **distance** in a short amount of time.

zone

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

synonym : area, region, territory

(1) time **zone**, (2) **zone** defense

He was reluctant to leave his comfort **zone** and try something new.

magic

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

synonym : fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

embody

v. to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea

synonym : represent, exemplify, personify

(1) **embody** my goal, (2) **embody** a spirit of charity
The company's new products **embody** the values of innovation and sustainability.

definition

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

synonym: description, connotation, meaning

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

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

stable

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

synonym: sturdy, unmoving, durable

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

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

bound

v. to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

synonym: jump, bounce, leap

(1) **bounded** with delight, (2) **bound** up a staircase

Canada **bounds** on the United States.

interdependent

adj. depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected

synonym: interconnected, interrelated, mutual

(1) **interdependent** systems, (2) develop **interdependent** skills

In nature, all living things are **interdependent** and rely on each other for survival.

achieve

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

synonym: accomplish, attain, reach

(1) **achieve** success, (2) **achieve** milestones
I will work hard to **achieve** my goals and realize my dreams.

outcome

n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

synonym: result, consequence, effect

(1) improved student **outcomes**, (2) a desirable **outcome**
They awaited news of the **outcome** of the election.

pickup

n. a type of vehicle with an open-air cargo bed at the back used for transporting goods or equipment; the act of collecting or gathering someone or something from a particular location; a warrant to take someone into custody

synonym: truck, cartridge

(1) **pickup** truck, (2) **pickup** and delivery service
I'll be waiting for you in front of the café at 6 PM, so be on time for our **pickup**.

contrast

v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences

synonym: differ, vary, counterpoint

(1) **contrast** with a decade ago, (2) **contrast** two things
It's intriguing to compare and **contrast** the two authors.

playoff

n. a series of games or matches played among teams or individuals to determine the winner of a competition or championship, particularly in sports

synonym: elimination game, finals

(1) **playoff** game, (2) 18-hole **playoff**
The team made it to the **playoff** round and is one step closer to the championship.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym: apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**
There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym : insane, absurd, bizarre

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

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

shifting

adj. constantly changing or moving

synonym : unfirm, shifty, fluctuating

(1) **shifting** balance, (2) continuously **shifting** landscape

Trends in the fashion industry are so **shifting** that it is challenging to keep up with them.

schedule

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

synonym : agenda, program, itinerary

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

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

luxury

n. a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things

synonym : extravagance, indulgence, opulence

(1) get into the **luxury** car market, (2) **luxury** hotel

His anti- **luxury** practices were quite strict.

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym : more and more, progressively

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

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

patient

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

synonym : client, recipient, subject

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

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

complicated

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

synonym : complex, convoluted, intricate

(1) a **complicated** process, (2) become increasingly **complicated**

He did **complicated** pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

hospitalize

v. to admit someone to a hospital for medical treatment

synonym : admit, place in hospital

(1) **hospitalize** patient, (2) **hospitalize** child

She had to be **hospitalized** due to her injuries.

caregiving

n. the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly

synonym : nurturing, caring, assisting

(1) **caregiving** process, (2) **caregiving** responsibilities

She devoted her life to **caregiving**, looking after her aging parents.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym : transition, change, modification

(1) Doppler **shift**, (2) major paradigm **shift**

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

tragic

adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

synonym : calamitous, disastrous, catastrophic

(1) **tragic** love stories, (2) **tragic** death

The **tragic** events of the war left many families torn apart.

stake

n. a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something

synonym : share, interest, post

(1) execution by burning at a **stake**, (2) buy the company's

stake

The **stake** of the company is too high nowadays.

animate

v. to make something full of interest and energy

synonym: invigorate, energize, enliven

(1) **animate** the body, (2) **animate** his soul

The positive attitude of the supervisor **animated** the discussion.

award

n. a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement

synonym: prize, honor, accolade

(1) **award** ceremony, (2) participation **award**

He won the **award** for best actor at the film festival.

fortune

n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

synonym: wealth, affluence, assets

(1) ill **fortune**, (2) bit of good **fortune**

Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal **fortune**.

animation

n. the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave

synonym: motion, movement, liveliness

(1) **animation** studio, (2) **animation** film

The **animation** of the characters in the movie was so realistic, and it was as if they were there.

storytelling

n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories

synonym: narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**

She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

constantly

adv. all the time

synonym : continuously, always, frequently

(1) a **constantly** innovative enterprise, (2) a **constantly** varying mind

The mobile application industry is **constantly** changing.

configuration

n. the arrangement or pattern of something or a group of related things

synonym : arrangement, composition, formatting

(1) **configuration** of the system, (2) engine **configuration**

The **configuration** of molecules in steel changes significantly with temperature.

amazing

adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

synonym : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

emergency

n. a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

synonym : crisis, trouble, difficulty

(1) **emergency** action, (2) acute **emergency**

The president declared a state of **emergency**.

underneath

adv. under or below something else

synonym : below, under, beneath

(1) **underneath** the surface of the water, (2) **underneath** the laughter

The penny fell **underneath** the piano.

argue

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

synonym : debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

complexity

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

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

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

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

unpredictable

adj. not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain

synonym: uncertain, variable, random

(1) dangerously **unpredictable** person, (2) **unpredictable** outcome

The weather in this region is often **unpredictable**, with sudden rainstorms and strong winds.

humility

n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self

synonym: humbleness, modesty, unpretentiousness

(1) develop an attitude of **humility**, (2) lack of **humility**

We were filled with **humility** at the sight of the Queen.

invite

v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

synonym: ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism

We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

scarcity

n. the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount

synonym: lack, absence, dearth

(1) fuel **scarcity**, (2) **scarcity** of capital

Some research says that a relative decline in teacher salaries is causing labor **scarcity**.

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.

sector

n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

synonym: division, department, branch

(1) industrial **sector**, (2) private **sector**

The technology **sector** is constantly evolving and innovating.

grand

adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent

synonym: impressive, great, ambitious

(1) a **grand** meal, (2) **grand** bargain

This year's **grand** gathering will be held in Canada.

quest

n. a long or challenging search for something

synonym: exploration, inquisition, pursuit

(1) the **quest** for truth, (2) on a **quest** for happiness

That adventurer traveled in **quest** of buried treasure.

rhetoric

n. speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form

synonym: oratory, eloquence, persuasion

(1) the **rhetoric** of a debate, (2) high-flown **rhetoric**

He was known for his powerful **rhetoric** and ability to persuade people with his words.

mobility

n. the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another

synonym: flexibility, maneuverability

(1) lack in **mobility**, (2) improve social **mobility**

I have limited **mobility** in my arms.

livable

adj. capable of being lived in comfortably and sustainably; suitable for human habitation

synonym: habitable, comfortable, pleasant

(1) **livable** city, (2) **livable** housing

Finding a safe and **livable** neighborhood is important when looking for a new place to live.

vocabulary

n. the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

synonym: lexicon, glossary, dictionary

(1) **vocabulary** list, (2) academic **vocabulary**

Using proper **vocabulary** is essential for writing a good essay.

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym: sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

synonym: reference, allude, cite

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

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

megatrend

n. a large-scale or long-term trend that has a significant impact on society or the economy, often influencing multiple sectors or industries

synonym: trend, movement, phenomenon

(1) global **megatrend**, (2) **megatrend** forecasting

The latest **megatrend** in the fashion industry is sustainable clothing.

urbanization

n. the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture

synonym : urban development, urban growth, urban expansion

(1) **urbanization** process, (2) non- **urbanization** area

Rapid **urbanization** has led to many environmental and social issues in cities.

urban

adj. relating to or located in a town or city

synonym : metropolitan, civic

(1) **urban** planning, (2) **urban** property owners

Only a small number of **urban** utilities offer sanitation services.

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.

climate

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

synonym : atmosphere, weather, environment

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

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

crucial

adj. extremely vital or necessary

synonym : essential, pivotal, vital

(1) **crucial** information, (2) a **crucial** issue for women

The revitalization of technology companies is **crucial** to the country's growth.

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.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym : discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

start-up

n. a newly established company or business

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

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

smart-city

n. an urban development that utilizes technology and data to improve efficiency, sustainability, and quality of life for its residents; a city that employs advanced communications and information technologies to manage and enhance its public services and resources

(1) **smart-city** technology, (2) **smart-city** planning

The **smart-city** project introduced an intelligent transportation system incorporating real-time traffic monitoring and navigation services.

software

n. a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs

synonym : program, system, operating system

(1) **software** architect, (2) copyrighted **software**

The company specializes in both hardware and **software**.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

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.

architect

n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

synonym: creator, designer, planner

(1) landscape **architect**, (2) **architect** of the peace accord

The building **architect** tried to build the house above the tree.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym: specialized, technical

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

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

demonstrate

v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience

synonym: show, illustrate, display

(1) **demonstrate** a difference, (2) **demonstrate** mastery

How can you **demonstrate** that the earth is a sphere?

scratch

v. to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object

synonym: claw, rub, scrape

(1) **scratch** off a name, (2) **scratch** my signature

Don't **scratch** your mosquito bites.

inadvertently

adv. unintentionally; accidentally; without purpose or deliberate intent

synonym: unknowingly, unintentionally, accidentally

(1) **inadvertently** deleted, (2) **inadvertently** omitted
I **inadvertently** left my phone at home this morning and felt lost.

discovery

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

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

clash

n. a fight or argument between two groups of people; a loud noise caused by striking against something

synonym: blow, conflict, disagreement

(1) a **clash** of viewpoints, (2) a **clash** between the two task forces

Her dress was a disturbing **clash** of colors.

frame

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

synonym: body, skeleton, scaffolding

(1) a picture **frame**, (2) the **frame** of the policy

The detective looked for fingerprints on the window **frame**.

jargon

n. specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify

synonym: lingo, vernacular, slang

(1) business **jargon**, (2) scientific **jargon**

The financial industry is notorious for using complicated **jargon** that confuses consumers.

barrier

n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make

progress or to achieve an objective

synonym : border, barricade, fence

(1) cost **barrier**, (2) information **barrier**

The police placed a **barrier** across the street to halt traffic.

aspire

v. to have an ambition or a desire to achieve something, typically something high or great

synonym : aim, desire, strive

(1) **aspire** to greatness, (2) **aspire** after perfection

She **aspired** to become a successful businesswoman.

crack

v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

synonym : snap, burst, break

(1) **crack** an eggshell, (2) a **crack** in a board

He that would eat the kernel must **crack** the nut.

glimpse

n. a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly

synonym : glance, peek, sighting

(1) a momentary **glimpse**, (2) passing **glimpse**

Our team caught a **glimpse** of the world-class technique in this game.

wit

n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

synonym : humor, comedy, funniness

(1) the **wit** of man, (2) full of **wit**

He has the **wit** to keep talking about this topic.

profession

n. an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training

synonym : occupation, vocation, trade

(1) **profession** choice, (2) healthcare **profession**

Being a doctor is considered a highly respected **profession**.

nation

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

synonym : country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym : procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

unfold

v. to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown

synonym : open, spread out, expose

(1) **unfold** the story, (2) **unfold** the stroller

The mystery **unfolded** as the detectives gathered more clues.

experiment

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

synonym : experimentation, investigation

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

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

devastating

adj. causing a great deal of destruction or damage

synonym : destructive, annihilative, disastrous

(1) have **devastating** effects, (2) treat this **devastating** disease

This typhoon was the most **devastating** in years.

persevere

v. to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement

synonym : persist, endure, continue

(1) **persevere** through hardships, (2) **persevere** in my goals
Even when faced with challenges, it's important to **persevere** and never give up.

humble

adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

synonym : modest, unpretentious, abject

(1) a **humble** cottage, (2) **humble** opinion
The nobler, the more **humble**.

diverse

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

synonym : manifold, various, myriad

(1) **diverse** backgrounds, (2) a person of **diverse** talents
New York is a city with a **diverse** ethnic population.

nationality

n. the legal status or right of belonging to a particular country

synonym : ethnicity, race, citizenship

(1) acquisition of **nationality**, (2) **nationality** certificate
Dual **nationality** is prohibited in specific nations but not in others.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym : highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury
Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym : luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

appoint

v. to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place

synonym: designate, assign, name

(1) **appoint** members, (2) **appoint** the day

The court **appointed** a guardian for the child.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym: administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

rescue

v. to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

synonym: save, extricate, retrieve

(1) **rescue** a dying dog, (2) **rescue** a company from bankruptcy

The fire department arrived just in time to **rescue** the family from the burning building.

volunteer

n. a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do

synonym: unpaid worker, draftee, enlistee

(1) seek **volunteers**, (2) my **volunteer** work

The teachers make full use of **volunteer** assistance.

afar

adv. at or to a great distance; far away

synonym: distantly, remotely, away

(1) **afar** off, (2) look **afar**

From **afar**, the castle looked like a small toy model.

- folk** *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
synonym: community, family, person
(1) **folk** art, (2) the **folk** songs of a particular district
Some seaweed was used as **folk** medicine in ancient times.
- progression** *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
synonym: advancement, development, evolution
(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease
The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.
- incision** *n.* a sharp cut made in something with a sharp tool, especially during a medical procedure
synonym: cut, slit, laceration
(1) **incision** tool, (2) small **incision**
Patients undergoing **incisional** surgery are often put to sleep by anesthesia.
- bunch** *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
synonym: group, assemblage, bundle
(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls
One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.
- experimental** *adj.* relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have
synonym: empirical, exploratory, observed
(1) **experimental** data, (2) **experimental** design
The product is still in the **experimental** stage.
- technique** *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
synonym: approach, procedure, strategy
(1) a **technique** in martial arts, (2) the **technique** applied to

construction

Jockey's superior **technique** brought him victory.

lifeline

n. a line, rope, or cable used to support or rescue a person in danger or distress; vital or necessary support, connection, or source of help

synonym: savior, support, safety net

(1) **lifeline** support, (2) emotional **lifeline**

My best friend has been my **lifeline** throughout all of my hardships.

medicinal

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

synonym: curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

communicate

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

synonym: convey, share, transmit

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

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

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

capsule

n. a small, enclosed container often used for holding medicines or supplements or for transporting payloads in spacecraft; a small, elongated structure within the body, such as a joint or a gland

(1) space **capsule**, (2) medical **capsule**

The **capsule** hotel room may be small but it has all the necessary amenities.

painstaking

adj. cautious and correct, and requiring a significant amount of effort

synonym: detailed, meticulous, conscientious

(1) **painstaking** research, (2) a **painstaking** student

The training of a hawk was a **painstaking** process.

overcome

v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

synonym : beat, confound, overwhelm

(1) **overcome** opponents, (2) **overcome** all difficulties

He tried to **overcome** a bad reputation and win the election.

specific

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

synonym : particular, definite, distinct

(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations

The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.

crystal

n. a solid material with many even sides that is formed naturally when the substance becomes solid and has a highly regular atomic structure; clear and colorless glass made of almost pure silica

synonym : quartz

(1) liquid **crystal**, (2) **crystal** analyses

A vast **crystal** chandelier glittered brightly above us.

situ

adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance

synonym : situational, contextual, circumstantial

(1) ex- **situ** conservation, (2) in- **situ** control

Melanoma in **situ** is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.

appropriate

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

synonym : fitting, suitable, proper

(1) **appropriate** behavior, (2) an **appropriate** time

It would be **appropriate** to dress nicely for the wedding.

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group
synonym: coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,
(2) **combine** augmented reality

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

curiosity

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something
synonym: interest, inquisitiveness, novelty

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

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

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

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

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

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas

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

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

hardwired

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

synonym: innate, ingrained, automatic

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

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

spawn

v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something
to develop

synonym: beget, breed, generate

(1) **spawn** in spring, (2) **spawn** a new concept

The salmon swims upstream to **spawn** in the place they were
released.

generosity

n. the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely

synonym: goodness, hospitality, unselfishness

(1) act of **generosity**, (2) boundless **generosity**

He is remembered for his **generosity** and civilization.

interpretation

n. an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious

synonym: rendering, explanation, understanding

(1) the **interpretation** of history, (2) open to **interpretation**

His **interpretations** of literary works are often unique.

quote

v. to repeat or reproduce the words or statement of someone else, often acknowledging the source; to give an estimated cost or price for goods or services

synonym: cite, reference, mention

(1) **quote** a source, (2) **quote** a price

In his speech, he **quoted** a famous philosopher to emphasize his point.

chase

v. to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

synonym: pursue, hunt, track

(1) **chase** a dream, (2) wild goose **chase**

The police officer **chased** the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.

suppose

v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

synonym: guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand

What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

judge

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of

something

synonym: arbiter, justice, (verb) deduce

(1) **judge** a competition, (2) an associate **judge**

The strict **judge** ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

awful

adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

synonym: terrible, appalling, horrible

(1) an **awful** error, (2) do **awful** damage

I regretted making an **awful** mistake in my final exam.

competitor

n. a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business

synonym: opponent, contender, contestant

(1) beat **competitor** offer, (2) domestic **competitor**

The gap between the company and its **competitors** has widened.

awesome

adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

synonym: miraculous, marvelous, astounding

(1) **awesome** mental faculty, (2) have an **awesome** birthday

There is a lot of **awesome** nature and food in Hawaii.

extraordinary

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

synonym: exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

(1) **extraordinary** ability, (2) **extraordinary** weather

He narrated the **extraordinary** story of his adventure.

mindset

n. the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

synonym: attitude, ethos, mentality

(1) flexible **mindset**, (2) the **mindset** in an education system

Countries whose goal is economic development often focus

on fostering an entrepreneurial **mindset** in each individual.

sil

n. a tall, cylindrical structure, usually made of concrete or steel, that is used for storing grain, feed, or other dry materials; a system or structure that is isolated or separate from others

synonym : storage, warehouse, barn

(1) nuclear **sil**, (2) **sil** organization

The farmer used a **sil** to store feed for the animals.

miracle

n. an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God

synonym : wonder, marvel, phenomenon

(1) **miracle** person, (2) economic **miracle**

The doctors said that her recovery was a **miracle**.

talent

n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

synonym : endowment, aptitude, capability

(1) a person of diverse **talents**, (2) raw **talent**

Numerous great professional sports **talents** have come from this city.

convey

v. to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another

synonym : communicate, transfer, deliver

(1) **convey** a complex idea, (2) **convey** goods by truck

An ironic remark often **conveys** an intended meaning obliquely.

Session 2: Spelling

1. the qu__t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something
2. space ca_____e *n.* a small, enclosed container often used for holding medicines or supplements or for transporting payloads in spacecraft; a small, elongated structure within the body, such as a joint or a gland
3. so_____re architect *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
4. und_____th the laughter *adv.* under or below something else
5. sp_____ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
6. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
7. accumulation of fi__h *n.* dirt, grime, or other disgusting or offensive material; an act or state of being extremely dirty or foul
8. the w_t of man *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
9. urb_____ion process *n.* the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture

ANSWERS: 1. quest, 2. capsule, 3. software, 4. underneath, 5. specific, 6. folk, 7. filth, 8. wit, 9. urbanization

10. inc_____gly become common *adv.* more and more
11. ina_____tly omitted *adv.* unintentionally; accidentally; without purpose or deliberate intent
12. ar__e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
13. driving di_____ce *n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
14. rem_____le achievement *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
15. satisfy my intellectual cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
16. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
17. li_____ne support *n.* a line, rope, or cable used to support or rescue a person in danger or distress; vital or necessary support, connection, or source of help
18. fuel sc_____ty *n.* the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
19. a heavy sc_____le *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

ANSWERS: 10. increasingly, 11. inadvertently, 12. argue, 13. distance, 14. remarkable, 15. curiosity, 16. develop, 17. lifeline, 18. scarcity, 19. schedule

20. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
21. am____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
22. voc_____ry list *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
23. sto_____ing performance *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
24. the def_____on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
25. mi_____e person *n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
26. treat this dev_____ng disease *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
27. traditional me_____al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
28. develop an attitude of hu_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
29. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
30. telescopic vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

ANSWERS: 20. argue, 21. amazing, 22. vocabulary, 23. storytelling, 24. definition, 25. miracle, 26. devastating, 27. medicinal, 28. humility, 29. zone, 30. vision

31. sc____h my signature *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
32. exp_____tal design *adj.* relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have
33. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
34. lack of hu_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
35. a person of di_____e talents *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
36. emotional li_____ne *n.* a line, rope, or cable used to support or rescue a person in danger or distress; vital or necessary support, connection, or source of help
37. have a st___e job *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
38. a te_____ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
39. tec_____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
40. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
41. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

ANSWERS: 31. scratch, 32. experimental, 33. nation, 34. humility, 35. diverse, 36. lifeline, 37. stable, 38. technique, 39. technological, 40. individual, 41. invite

42. the dr__l hit the well *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
43. information ba____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
44. a gr__d meal *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
45. un____d the story *v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
46. cognitive com____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
47. mi__r industry *n.* a person who works in a mine (= excavation in the Earth from which ores and minerals are extracted), especially one who extracts coal, minerals, or precious metals from the Earth
48. open to int_____ion *n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious
49. boundless gen____ty *n.* the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely
50. ill fo____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

ANSWERS: 42. drill, 43. barrier, 44. grand, 45. unfold, 46. complexity, 47. miner, 48. interpretation, 49. generosity, 50. fortune

51. flexible mi____t *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
52. car_____ng responsibilities *n.* the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly
53. an associate ju__e *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
54. co_____st with a decade ago *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
55. ju__e a competition *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
56. domestic com_____or *n.* a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business
57. gr__d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
58. buy the company's st__e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
59. my vo_____er work *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
60. as___e after perfection *v.* to have an ambition or a desire to achieve something, typically something high or great

ANSWERS: 51. mindset, 52. caregiving, 53. judge, 54. contrast, 55. judge, 56. competitor, 57. grand, 58. stake, 59. volunteer, 60. aspire

61. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
62. industry-sp____ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
63. a harbor of re___e *n.* the state of being safe or protected from danger, trouble, or difficulty, or a place providing shelter or protection from them
64. a cr__k in a board *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
65. a cl__h of viewpoints *n.* a fight or argument between two groups of people; a loud noise caused by striking against something
66. raw ta___t *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
67. qu__e a source *v.* to repeat or reproduce the words or statement of someone else, often acknowledging the source; to give an estimated cost or price for goods or services
68. passing gl_____e *n.* a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly
69. a pai_____ng student *adj.* cautious and correct, and requiring a significant amount of effort

ANSWERS: 61. nation, 62. specific, 63. refuge, 64. crack, 65. clash, 66. talent, 67. quote, 68. glimpse, 69. painstaking

70. ur__n planning *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
71. 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
72. an_____e the body *v.* to make something full of interest and energy
73. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
74. the rem_____le breadth of knowledge *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
75. continuously sh_____ng landscape *adj.* constantly changing or moving
76. ov_____me opponents *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
77. cr_____l information *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
78. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
79. tr___c death *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
80. aw_____e mental faculty *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

ANSWERS: 70. urban, 71. planet, 72. animate, 73. develop, 74. remarkable, 75. shifting, 76. overcome, 77. crucial, 78. industrious, 79. tragic, 80. awesome

81. psy_____gy experiment	<i>n.</i> the scientific study of mind and behavior
82. exp_____nt design	<i>n.</i> the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
83. even more unf_____ely	<i>adv.</i> by bad luck; unluckily
84. 18-hole pl_____f	<i>n.</i> a series of games or matches played among teams or individuals to determine the winner of a competition or championship, particularly in sports
85. pa_____t in the hospital	<i>n.</i> a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
86. a con_____ly varying mind	<i>adv.</i> all the time
87. f__k art	<i>n.</i> people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
88. dangerously unp_____ble person	<i>adj.</i> not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain
89. ac_____e milestones	<i>v.</i> to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
90. lu_____y hotel	<i>n.</i> a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
91. coo_____te a special project	<i>v.</i> to bring the different parts of the activity and the people into an organized, ordered, or efficient relationship; (adjective) of equal importance, rank, or degree

ANSWERS: 81. psychology, 82. experiment, 83. unfortunately, 84. playoff, 85. patient, 86. constantly, 87. folk, 88. unpredictable, 89. achieve, 90. luxury, 91. coordinate

92. industrial se___r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
93. a desirable ou_____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
94. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
95. economic mi_____e *n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
96. an aw___l error *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
97. a___r off *adv.* at or to a great distance; far away
98. develop int_____ent skills *adj.* depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected
99. a hu___e cottage *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
100. ina_____tly deleted *adv.* unintentionally; accidentally; without purpose or deliberate intent
101. em___e of the Maya *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
102. a con_____ly innovative enterprise *adv.* all the time
103. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 92. sector, 93. outcome, 94. obvious, 95. miracle, 96. awful, 97. afar, 98. interdependent, 99. humble, 100. inadvertently, 101. empire, 102. constantly, 103. discovery

104. lack in mo____ty *n.* the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another
105. a cold cl____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
106. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
107. seek vo____ers *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
108. a picture fr__e *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
109. ready to co____se *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
110. private se____r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
111. nat____ty certificate *n.* the legal status or right of belonging to a particular country
112. develop in____e itching *adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
113. the mi____t in an education system *n.* the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone
114. ha____ed behavior *adj.* built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics

ANSWERS: 104. mobility, 105. climate, 106. shift, 107. volunteer, 108. frame, 109. collapse, 110. sector, 111. nationality, 112. intense, 113. mindset, 114. hardwired

115. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
116. a bu__h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
117. have an aw_____e birthday *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
118. improve social mo_____ty *n.* the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another
119. an_____on film *n.* the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave
120. lo___e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
121. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
122. me_____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
123. pl_____f game *n.* a series of games or matches played among teams or individuals to determine the winner of a competition or championship, particularly in sports
124. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
125. em___y a spirit of charity *v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea

ANSWERS: 115. combine, 116. bunch, 117. awesome, 118. mobility, 119. animation, 120. locate, 121. extraordinary, 122. mention, 123. playoff, 124. suppose, 125. embody

126. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
127. con_____ion of the system *n.* the arrangement or pattern of something or a group of related things
128. ap_____t the day *v.* to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place
129. co_____st two things *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
130. ur__n property owners *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
131. br_____nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
132. sh_____ng balance *adj.* constantly changing or moving
133. small in_____on *n.* a sharp cut made in something with a sharp tool, especially during a medical procedure
134. sc_____ty of capital *n.* the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
135. app_____te behavior *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
136. li_____e city *adj.* capable of being lived in comfortably and sustainably; suitable for human habitation
137. ex-s__u conservation *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
138. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

ANSWERS: 126. mention, 127. configuration, 128. appoint, 129. contrast, 130. urban, 131. brilliant, 132. shifting, 133. incision, 134. scarcity, 135. appropriate, 136. livable, 137. situ, 138. government

139. int_____ent systems *adj.* depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected
140. a momentary gl_____e *n.* a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly
141. te_____rk in business *n.* the combined action of a group of people working together towards a common goal
142. co____y a complex idea *v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
143. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
144. pro_____on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
145. arrange my sc_____le *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
146. em_____cy action *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
147. copyrighted so_____re *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
148. major paradigm sh____t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
149. sma_____ty technology *n.* an urban development that utilizes technology and data to improve efficiency, sustainability, and quality of life for its residents; a city that employs advanced communications and information technologies to manage and enhance its public services and resources

ANSWERS: 139. interdependent, 140. glimpse, 141. teamwork, 142. convey, 143.

amazing, 144. progression, 145. schedule, 146. emergency, 147. software, 148. shift,
149. smart-city

150. di____e backgrounds *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
151. a coo_____te clause *v.* to bring the different parts of the activity and the people into an organized, ordered, or efficient relationship; (adjective) of equal importance, rank, or degree
152. me_____al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
153. as___e to greatness *v.* to have an ambition or a desire to achieve something, typically something high or great
154. series of exp_____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
155. ac_____e success *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
156. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
157. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
158. execution by burning at a st___e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
159. dem_____te mastery *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
160. a person of diverse ta___ts *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

ANSWERS: 150. diverse, 151. coordinate, 152. medicinal, 153. aspire, 154. experiment, 155. achieve, 156. government, 157. unfortunately, 158. stake, 159. demonstrate, 160. talent

161. in___e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
162. col_____te with the police *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
163. ch___e a dream *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
164. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
165. sc_____h off a name *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
166. unp_____ble outcome *adj.* not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain
167. an_____on studio *n.* the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave
168. engine con_____ion *n.* the arrangement or pattern of something or a group of related things
169. participation aw__d *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement

ANSWERS: 161. invite, 162. collaborate, 163. chase, 164. communicate, 165. scratch, 166. unpredictable, 167. animation, 168. configuration, 169. award

170. business ja___n *n.* specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify
171. ob____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
172. full of w_t *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
173. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
174. a cr____l issue for women *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
175. the fr__e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
176. landscape ar_____ct *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
177. an____e his soul *v.* to make something full of interest and energy
178. get into the lu___y car market *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
179. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
180. academic voc_____ry *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

ANSWERS: 170. jargon, 171. obvious, 172. wit, 173. crazy, 174. crucial, 175. frame, 176. architect, 177. animate, 178. luxury, 179. crazy, 180. vocabulary

181. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
182. on a qu__t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
183. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
184. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
185. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
186. pi___p truck *n.* a type of vehicle with an open-air cargo bed at the back used for transporting goods or equipment; the act of collecting or gathering someone or something from a particular location; a warrant to take someone into custody
187. bo__d up a staircase *v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
188. pro_____on of disease *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
189. the rh_____ic of a debate *n.* speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form
190. layer of fi__h *n.* dirt, grime, or other disgusting or offensive material; an act or state of being extremely dirty or foul

ANSWERS: 181. individual, 182. quest, 183. innovation, 184. innovation, 185. complicated, 186. pickup, 187. bound, 188. progression, 189. rhetoric, 190. filth

191. a prodigious vi___n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
192. a civil en_____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
193. co___y goods by truck *v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
194. non-urb_____ion area *n.* the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture
195. improved student ou_____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
196. st_____up business *n.* a newly established company or business
197. un___d the stroller *v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
198. boundless cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
199. pe_____re through hardships *v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement

ANSWERS: 191. vision, 192. engineer, 193. convey, 194. urbanization, 195. outcome, 196. start-up, 197. unfold, 198. curiosity, 199. persevere

200. hu___e opinion	<i>adj.</i> having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
201. em___e building	<i>n.</i> a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
202. the stock market co____sed	<i>v.</i> to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
203. the great di____ry of the century	<i>n.</i> the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
204. a precise def____on	<i>n.</i> a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
205. bit of good fo____e	<i>n.</i> a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
206. co___r belt	<i>n.</i> a chemical element that is a soft, malleable, and ductile metal with very high thermal and electrical conductivity
207. tec____cal policy	<i>adj.</i> based on scientific and industrial progress
208. a com____ed process	<i>adj.</i> involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
209. li____e housing	<i>adj.</i> capable of being lived in comfortably and sustainably; suitable for human habitation
210. decision-making pr____s	<i>n.</i> a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 200. humble, 201. empire, 202. collapse, 203. discovery, 204. definition, 205. fortune, 206. copper, 207. technological, 208. complicated, 209. livable, 210. process

211. do aw__l damage	<i>adj.</i> causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
212. high-flown rh____ic	<i>n.</i> speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form
213. courtroom sto____ing	<i>n.</i> the act or art of narrating or writing stories
214. healthcare pro____on	<i>n.</i> an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
215. effects of cl____e change	<i>n.</i> the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
216. me____nd forecasting	<i>n.</i> a large-scale or long-term trend that has a significant impact on society or the economy, often influencing multiple sectors or industries
217. re___e a dying dog	<i>v.</i> to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
218. pai____ng research	<i>adj.</i> cautious and correct, and requiring a significant amount of effort
219. re___e camp	<i>n.</i> the state of being safe or protected from danger, trouble, or difficulty, or a place providing shelter or protection from them
220. ma____e amounts	<i>adj.</i> enormous amount; very heavy and solid
221. liquid cr____l	<i>n.</i> a solid material with many even sides that is formed naturally when the substance becomes solid and has a highly regular atomic structure; clear and colorless glass made of almost pure silica

ANSWERS: 211. awful, 212. rhetoric, 213. storytelling, 214. profession, 215. climate, 216. megatrend, 217. rescue, 218. painstaking, 219. refuge, 220. massive, 221. crystal

222. co____e chemically with another substance
v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group
223. look a__r
adv. at or to a great distance; far away
224. in-s__u control
adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
225. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist
v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
226. tr___c love stories
adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
227. und_____th the surface of the water
adv. under or below something else
228. cr__k an eggshell
v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
229. scientific ja___n
n. specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify
230. dem_____te a difference
v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
231. bo__ded with delight
v. to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

ANSWERS: 222. combine, 223. afar, 224. situ, 225. communicate, 226. tragic, 227. underneath, 228. crack, 229. jargon, 230. demonstrate, 231. bound

232. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
233. ha_____ed connection *adj.* built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics
234. s__o organization *n.* a tall, cylindrical structure, usually made of concrete or steel, that is used for storing grain, feed, or other dry materials; a system or structure that is isolated or separate from others
235. nuclear s__o *n.* a tall, cylindrical structure, usually made of concrete or steel, that is used for storing grain, feed, or other dry materials; a system or structure that is isolated or separate from others
236. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
237. fire dr__l *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
238. sma_____ty planning *n.* an urban development that utilizes technology and data to improve efficiency, sustainability, and quality of life for its residents; a city that employs advanced communications and information technologies to manage and enhance its public services and resources
239. global me_____nd *n.* a large-scale or long-term trend that has a significant impact on society or the economy, often influencing multiple sectors or industries

ANSWERS: 232. bunch, 233. hardwired, 234. silo, 235. silo, 236. psychology, 237. drill, 238. smart-city, 239. megatrend

240. medical ca_____e *n.* a small, enclosed container often used for holding medicines or supplements or for transporting payloads in spacecraft; a small, elongated structure within the body, such as a joint or a gland
241. the bo_____ry between reality and fantasy *n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
242. ap_____t members *v.* to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place
243. in_____e heat *adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
244. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
245. a cl__h between the two task forces *n.* a fight or argument between two groups of people; a loud noise caused by striking against something
246. em___y my goal *v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
247. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
248. the ul_____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
249. re___e a company from bankruptcy *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
250. hos_____ze patient *v.* to admit someone to a hospital for medical treatment

ANSWERS: 240. capsule, 241. boundary, 242. appoint, 243. intense, 244. industrious, 245. clash, 246. embody, 247. zone, 248. ultimate, 249. rescue, 250. hospitalize

259. an app_____te time *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
260. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
261. the ul_____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
262. br_____nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
263. have dev_____ng effects *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
264. acute em_____cy *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
265. sp__n in spring *v.* to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
266. qu__e a price *v.* to repeat or reproduce the words or statement of someone else, often acknowledging the source; to give an estimated cost or price for goods or services
267. 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
268. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
269. the te_____ue applied to construction *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
270. the int_____ion of history *n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious

ANSWERS: 259. appropriate, 260. engineer, 261. ultimate, 262. brilliant, 263. devastating, 264. emergency, 265. spawn, 266. quote, 267. planet, 268. extraordinary, 269. technique, 270. interpretation

271. set a t__p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
272. ov____me all difficulties *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
273. su____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
274. aw__d ceremony *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
275. pi__p and delivery service *n.* a type of vehicle with an open-air cargo bed at the back used for transporting goods or equipment; the act of collecting or gathering someone or something from a particular location; a warrant to take someone into custody
276. t__p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
277. co____r alloy *n.* a chemical element that is a soft, malleable, and ductile metal with very high thermal and electrical conductivity
278. social di____ce *n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

ANSWERS: 271. trap, 272. overcome, 273. suppose, 274. award, 275. pickup, 276. trap, 277. copper, 278. distance

279. pro_____on choice *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
280. face inc_____gly complicated challenges *adv.* more and more
281. ar_____ct of the peace accord *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
282. hos_____ze child *v.* to admit someone to a hospital for medical treatment
283. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
284. cost ba_____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
285. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
286. col_____te on a press release *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
287. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

ANSWERS: 279. profession, 280. increasingly, 281. architect, 282. hospitalize, 283. process, 284. barrier, 285. massive, 286. collaborate, 287. magic

288. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
289. in_____on tool *n.* a sharp cut made in something with a sharp tool, especially during a medical procedure
290. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
291. cr_____l analyses *n.* a solid material with many even sides that is formed naturally when the substance becomes solid and has a highly regular atomic structure; clear and colorless glass made of almost pure silica
292. pe_____re in my goals *v.* to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement
293. geographical bo_____ry *n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
294. sp__n a new concept *v.* to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
295. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
296. early-stage st_____up *n.* a newly established company or business
297. in st___e condition *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

ANSWERS: 288. complexity, 289. incision, 290. magic, 291. crystal, 292. persevere, 293. boundary, 294. spawn, 295. locate, 296. start-up, 297. stable

298. exp_____tal data

adj. relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have

ANSWERS: 298. experimental

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The training of a hawk was a _____ process.

adj. cautious and correct, and requiring a significant amount of effort

2. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

3. I have limited _____ in my arms.

n. the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another

4. We were filled with _____ at the sight of the Queen.

n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self

5. The strict _____ ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

6. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

7. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

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

ANSWERS: 1. painstaking, 2. crazy, 3. mobility, 4. humility, 5. judge, 6. process, 7. engineer

8. Numerous great professional sports _____ have come from this city.
n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
9. The marathon runner covered a long _____ in a short amount of time.
n. the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
10. The janitor had to clean up the _____ left behind after the concert.
n. dirt, grime, or other disgusting or offensive material; an act or state of being extremely dirty or foul
11. Canada _____ on the United States.
v. to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
12. He that would eat the kernel must _____ the nut.
v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
13. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.
adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid
14. I _____ left my phone at home this morning and felt lost.
adv. unintentionally; accidentally; without purpose or deliberate intent
15. Her research team made an important _____.
n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 8. talents, 9. distance, 10. filth, 11. bounds, 12. crack, 13. massive, 14. inadvertently, 15. discovery

16. The financial industry is notorious for using complicated _____ that confuses consumers.
- n.* specialized language or vocabulary used by a particular group or profession that is often difficult for outsiders to understand; language that is full of technical slang or obscure terms and is often used to obscure or confuse rather than clarify
17. The latest _____ in the fashion industry is sustainable clothing.
- n.* a large-scale or long-term trend that has a significant impact on society or the economy, often influencing multiple sectors or industries
18. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.
- v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
19. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.
- n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
20. That statement by the prime minister drew _____ international criticism.
- adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
21. The enemy fell right into the _____.
- n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
22. The police placed a _____ across the street to halt traffic.
- n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
23. So far, the meeting is going according to _____.
- n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

ANSWERS: 16. jargon, 17. megatrend, 18. combine, 19. magic, 20. intense, 21. trap, 22. barrier, 23. schedule

24. Some of the emigres sought _____ in this country.

- n.* the state of being safe or protected from danger, trouble, or difficulty, or a place providing shelter or protection from them

25. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.

- adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

26. He has built a thriving e-commerce _____.

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

27. How can you _____ that the earth is a sphere?

- v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience

28. The product is still in the _____ stage.

- adj.* relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have

29. 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

30. She _____ to become a successful businesswoman.

- v.* to have an ambition or a desire to achieve something, typically something high or great

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

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

ANSWERS: 24. refuge, 25. specific, 26. empire, 27. demonstrate, 28. experimental, 29. individual, 30. aspired, 31. hardwired

32. The gap between the company and its _____ has widened.
n. a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business
33. Trends in the fashion industry are so _____ that it is challenging to keep up with them.
adj. constantly changing or moving
34. Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal _____.
n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
35. The nobler, the more _____.
adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
36. It's intriguing to compare and _____ the two authors.
v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
37. The teachers make full use of _____ assistance.
n. a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
38. We are motivated by _____ rather than necessity.
n. a strong desire to know or learn about something
39. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.
adj. based on scientific and industrial progress
40. The detective looked for fingerprints on the window _____.
n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

ANSWERS: 32. competitors, 33. shifting, 34. fortune, 35. humble, 36. contrast, 37. volunteer, 38. curiosity, 39. Technological, 40. frame

41. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

42. He won the _____ for best actor at the film festival.

n. a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement

43. Countries whose goal is economic development often focus on fostering an entrepreneurial _____ in each individual.

n. the established set of attitudes or fixed ideas held by someone

44. He is remembered for his _____ and civilization.

n. the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely

45. She agreed to _____ with him in creating new artwork.

v. to work with someone else to produce or achieve something

46. She had to be _____ due to her injuries.

v. to admit someone to a hospital for medical treatment

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

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

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

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

ANSWERS: 41. extraordinary, 42. award, 43. mindset, 44. generosity, 45. collaborate, 46. hospitalized, 47. Climate, 48. develop

49. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

50. Jockey's superior _____ brought him victory.

n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

51. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

52. The _____ of the company is too high nowadays.

n. a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something

53. Melanoma in _____ is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.

adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance

54. She had a master's degree in _____.

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

55. 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

56. The _____ events of the war left many families torn apart.

adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

ANSWERS: 49. ultimate, 50. technique, 51. vision, 52. stake, 53. situ, 54. psychology, 55. planet, 56. tragic

57. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.
- v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
58. His anti-_____ practices were quite strict.
- n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
59. The penny fell _____ the piano.
- adv.* under or below something else
60. 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
61. Several military _____ programs have become popular methods of exercise.
- n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
62. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.
- n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
63. The farmer used a _____ to store feed for the animals.
- n.* a tall, cylindrical structure, usually made of concrete or steel, that is used for storing grain, feed, or other dry materials; a system or structure that is isolated or separate from others
64. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?
- v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

ANSWERS: 57. argue, 58. luxury, 59. underneath, 60. innovation, 61. drill, 62. folk, 63. silo, 64. suppose

65. Rapid _____ has led to many environmental and social issues in cities.
n. the process of population growth and physical expansion of cities, often involving increased migration from rural areas and the development of urban infrastructure and culture
66. Dual _____ is prohibited in specific nations but not in others.
n. the legal status or right of belonging to a particular country
67. His _____ of literary works are often unique.
n. an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious
68. The company has made great strides in its _____ toward sustainability.
n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
69. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
adj. easy to see, discover or understand
70. The _____ hotel room may be small but it has all the necessary amenities.
n. a small, enclosed container often used for holding medicines or supplements or for transporting payloads in spacecraft; a small, elongated structure within the body, such as a joint or a gland
71. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
72. The _____ of the characters in the movie was so realistic, and it was as if they were there.
n. the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave

ANSWERS: 65. urbanization, 66. nationality, 67. interpretations, 68. progression, 69. obvious, 70. capsule, 71. complexity, 72. animation

73. His _____ showed highly positive results.
n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
74. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.
v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly
75. The _____ of molecules in steel changes significantly with temperature.
n. the arrangement or pattern of something or a group of related things
76. He has the ____ to keep talking about this topic.
n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
77. The police officer _____ the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.
v. to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
78. My best friend has been my _____ throughout all of my hardships.
n. a line, rope, or cable used to support or rescue a person in danger or distress; vital or necessary support, connection, or source of help
79. The court _____ a guardian for the child.
v. to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place
80. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

ANSWERS: 73. experiments, 74. mentioned, 75. configuration, 76. wit, 77. chased, 78. lifeline, 79. appointed, 80. locate

81. The mobile application industry is _____ changing.

adv. all the time

82. From _____ the castle looked like a small toy model.

adv. at or to a great distance; far away

83. Our company's services are targeted at _____ executives.

n. a newly established company or business

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

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

85. She was skilled in _____ techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories

86. Our team caught a _____ of the world-class technique in this game.

n. a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly

87. Relations between the two countries have been relatively _____ due to the summit meeting.

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

88. She devoted her life to _____ looking after her aging parents.

n. the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly

89. The doctor carefully examined the _____ medical history.

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

ANSWERS: 81. constantly, 82. afar, 83. start-up, 84. remarkable, 85. storytelling, 86. glimpse, 87. stable, 88. caregiving, 89. patient's

90. This typhoon was the most _____ in years.

adj. causing a great deal of destruction or damage

91. He was reluctant to leave his comfort _____ and try something new.

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

92. The mystery _____ as the detectives gathered more clues.

v. to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown

93. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

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

adv. more and more

95. Finding a safe and _____ neighborhood is important when looking for a new place to live.

adj. capable of being lived in comfortably and sustainably; suitable for human habitation

96. Harmonious _____ is essential to the success of this project.

n. the combined action of a group of people working together towards a common goal

97. The doctors said that her recovery was a _____.

n. an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God

ANSWERS: 90. devastating, 91. zone, 92. unfolded, 93. industrious, 94. increasingly, 95. livable, 96. teamwork, 97. miracle

98. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
99. Being a doctor is considered a highly respected _____.
n. an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
100. Don't _____ your mosquito bites.
v. to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
101. There is a lot of _____ nature and food in Hawaii.
adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
102. He tried to _____ a bad reputation and win the election.
v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
103. This year's _____ gathering will be held in Canada.
adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent
104. The company's new products _____ the values of innovation and sustainability.
v. to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
105. The coal _____ worked tirelessly to extract valuable minerals from deep underground.
n. a person who works in a mine (= excavation in the Earth from which ores and minerals are extracted), especially one who extracts coal, minerals, or precious metals from the Earth

ANSWERS: 98. nation, 99. profession, 100. scratch, 101. awesome, 102. overcome, 103. grand, 104. embody, 105. miner

106. Using proper _____ is essential for writing a good essay.

n. the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

107. Her dress was a disturbing _____ of colors.

n. a fight or argument between two groups of people; a loud noise caused by striking against something

108. That adventurer traveled in _____ of buried treasure.

n. a long or challenging search for something

109. The weather in this region is often _____ with sudden rainstorms and strong winds.

adj. not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain

110. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

111. Only a small number of _____ utilities offer sanitation services.

adj. relating to or located in a town or city

112. The technology _____ is constantly evolving and innovating.

n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

113. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

ANSWERS: 106. vocabulary, 107. clash, 108. quest, 109. unpredictable, 110. complicated, 111. urban, 112. sector, 113. brilliant

114. The company specializes in both hardware and _____.
- n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
115. An ironic remark often _____ an intended meaning obliquely.
- v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
116. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.
- n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
117. He made the old _____ coins shine.
- n.* a chemical element that is a soft, malleable, and ductile metal with very high thermal and electrical conductivity
118. A vast _____ chandelier glittered brightly above us.
- n.* a solid material with many even sides that is formed naturally when the substance becomes solid and has a highly regular atomic structure; clear and colorless glass made of almost pure silica
119. I'll be waiting for you in front of the café at 6 PM, so be on time for our _____.
- n.* a type of vehicle with an open-air cargo bed at the back used for transporting goods or equipment; the act of collecting or gathering someone or something from a particular location; a warrant to take someone into custody
120. Some research says that a relative decline in teacher salaries is causing labor _____.
- n.* the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
121. I regretted making an _____ mistake in my final exam.
- adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

ANSWERS: 114. software, 115. conveys, 116. outcome, 117. copper, 118. crystal, 119. pickup, 120. scarcity, 121. awful

122. The _____ project introduced an intelligent transportation system incorporating real-time traffic monitoring and navigation services.

- n.* an urban development that utilizes technology and data to improve efficiency, sustainability, and quality of life for its residents; a city that employs advanced communications and information technologies to manage and enhance its public services and resources

123. The building _____ tried to build the house above the tree.

- n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

124. The president declared a state of _____.

- n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

125. New York is a city with a _____ ethnic population.

- adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

126. In his speech, he _____ a famous philosopher to emphasize his point.

- v.* to repeat or reproduce the words or statement of someone else, often acknowledging the source; to give an estimated cost or price for goods or services

127. He was known for his powerful _____ and ability to persuade people with his words.

- n.* speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form

128. It would be _____ to dress nicely for the wedding.

- adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

ANSWERS: 122. smart-city, 123. architect, 124. emergency, 125. diverse, 126. quoted, 127. rhetoric, 128. appropriate

129. We want to _____ a schedule for the investigation.
- v.* to bring the different parts of the activity and the people into an organized, ordered, or efficient relationship; (adjective) of equal importance, rank, or degree
130. The _____ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.
- adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
131. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.
- n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
132. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
133. The roof finally _____ after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.
- v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
134. Patients undergoing _____ surgery are often put to sleep by anesthesia.
- n.* a sharp cut made in something with a sharp tool, especially during a medical procedure
135. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.
- n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
136. The fire department arrived just in time to _____ the family from the burning building.
- v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

ANSWERS: 129. coordinate, 130. medicinal, 131. definition, 132. government, 133. collapsed, 134. incisional, 135. bunch, 136. rescue

137. The revitalization of technology companies is _____ to the country's growth.

adj. extremely vital or necessary

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

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

139. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.

v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

140. In nature, all living things are _____ and rely on each other for survival.

adj. depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected

141. He wandered the _____ between life and death by gunfire.

n. a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

142. The positive attitude of the supervisor _____ the discussion.

v. to make something full of interest and energy

143. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

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

144. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

145. Even when faced with challenges, it's important to _____ and never give up.

v. to persist in the course of action, despite opposition or difficulty; to continue with determination despite setbacks, obstacles, or discouragement

ANSWERS: 137. crucial, 138. unfortunately, 139. invite, 140. interdependent, 141. boundary, 142. animated, 143. communicate, 144. amazing, 145. persevere

146. The team made it to the _____ round and is one step closer to the championship.

- n.* a series of games or matches played among teams or individuals to determine the winner of a competition or championship, particularly in sports

147. The salmon swims upstream to _____ in the place they were released.

- v.* to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop

148. I will work hard to _____ my goals and realize my dreams.

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

149. Could you help me _____ some furniture?

- n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

ANSWERS: 146. playoff, 147. spawn, 148. achieve, 149. shift