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Session 1: Word List

weird

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

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**
My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

sketch

n. a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something
synonym: drawing, outline, blueprint

(1) a penciled **sketch**, (2) first design **sketches**
Yesterday, I created a rough **sketch** of the plan.

catalog

n. a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices
synonym: directory, list, register

(1) a classified **catalog**, (2) **catalog** card
She used the online **catalog** to find the perfect pair of earrings for her sister's birthday.

craft

n. an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
synonym: art, skill, workmanship

(1) **craft** arts of Japan, (2) **craft** manufacture

His hometown was where he first acquired the **craft** of wood carving.

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.

conversation

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

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

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.

migration

n. the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

synonym: exodus

(1) the **migration** of birds, (2) overseas **migration**

There was a **migration** of impoverished farmers into the towns.

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.

homeless

adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets

synonym: destitute, displaced, transient

(1) **homeless** shelter, (2) a **homeless** cat

He became **homeless** after losing his job.

hell

n. the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

synonym: inferno, agony, misery

(1) run like **hell**, (2) **hell** broke loose

The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

architecture

n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

synonym: design, structure, layout

(1) **architecture** design, (2) classic **architecture**

The city is known for its impressive **architecture** and beautiful old buildings.

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

synonym: implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

accommodate

v. to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose

synonym: house, rent, adjust

(1) **accommodate** a person with money, (2) **accommodate** these needs

This large SUV **accommodates** eight people.

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.

tweet

n. a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

synonym: peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

(1) a chick's **tweet**, (2) his latest **tweets**

We could hear the **tweet** of baby birds.

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.

monument

n. a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event

synonym: memorial, marker, statue

(1) humanity's **monument**, (2) **monument** honoring

The stone **monument** was built to commemorate the war heroes.

trump

n. a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

(1) **trump** card, (2) choose **trump**

The **trump** suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.

tower

n. a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

synonym: building, belfry, edifice

(1) a bell **tower**, (2) the **tower** on a cliff

She is a **tower** of strength for our team in trouble.

have-not

n. a person or group who lacks the necessities of life, such as adequate food, shelter, or economic resources, often contrasted with a "have" or someone who has abundance or wealth

synonym: pauper, destitute, indigent

(1) **have-not** countries, (2) **have-not** families

The **have-nots** in our society often struggle to afford necessities like healthcare and education.

resist

v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

synonym: fight, defy, revolt

(1) **resist** temptation, (2) **resist** being kissed

I chose to **resist** cancer by trying every possible treatment.

bulldoze

v. to level or clear an area of land using a bulldozer (= a large, heavy vehicle with a blade on the front); to use force or the threat of force to make them do something or to get them to move out of the way

synonym: level, clear, demolish

(1) **bulldoze** a mound, (2) **bulldoze** a person into buying

They **bulldozed** the old building to make way for a new one.

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

elevate

v. to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

synonym: lift, heighten, promote

(1) **elevate** educational standards, (2) **elevate** a close relationship

Eating food in a hurry **elevates** blood glucose levels.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym : quiet, hushed, mute

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

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

spatial

adj. of or relating space and the position, area, and size of things

synonym : dimensional, geographical

(1) **spatial** ability, (2) **spatial** distribution

He carefully determined the **spatial** relations of every piece of the stage set.

geography

n. a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth

synonym : landscape, terrain, topography

(1) **geography** class, (2) economic **geography**

She did well on her **geography** exam.

equitable

adj. fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly

synonym : fair, honest, impartial

(1) in an **equitable** manner, (2) an **equitable** price

In a democratic country, governments promote **equitable** opportunities to participate in society.

distribute

v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

synonym : broadcast, disperse, hand out

(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content

His estate was **distributed** to his sons.

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

synonym : memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat

The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

- plot**
- n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
- synonym* : scheme, plan, design
- (1) **plot** twist, (2) **plot** a revolution
- The **plot** of the novel centers around a group of friends who uncover a conspiracy to control the world's water supply.
- closure**
- n.* the situation that a company, organization, etc. has ceased operations permanently
- synonym* : shutdown, stoppage, termination
- (1) public school **closures**, (2) **closure** of a road
- They regretted the **closure** of their restaurant.
- utility**
- n.* the state or quality of being useful or convenient; the service, such as electric power or water or transportation, provided by a public
- synonym* : usefulness, practicality, utility
- (1) **utility** costs, (2) marginal **utility**
- The **utility** of the device was immediately apparent to all who saw it.
- soil**
- n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
- synonym* : earth, ground, mud
- (1) **soils** retentive of moisture, (2) parched **soil**
- Soil** moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.
- asphalt**
- n.* a black, sticky substance that is used to surface roads, roofs, and other structures made from a mixture of sand, gravel, and a petroleum-based material called bitumen
- synonym* : tar, road surface, blacktop
- (1) **asphalt** pavement, (2) **asphalt** driveway
- The road crew was laying fresh **asphalt** on the highway.
- entitle**
- v.* to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something

synonym : allow, permit, enable

(1) **entitle** him to a pension, (2) **entitle** the company to use the logo

The employee was **entitled** to a week of vacation time.

lease

n. a legal document that grants a person or organization the right to use a property, land, or asset for a specified period of time, usually in exchange for rent or a fee; (verb) to rent or let out a property, vehicle, or other assets to someone for a specified period of time in exchange for payment

synonym : rental, tenancy, agreement

(1) long-term **lease**, (2) commercial **lease**

The landlord offered me a one-year **lease** for the apartment.

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.

acre

n. a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)

(1) half- **acre** parcel, (2) an **acre** of forest

The farm covers over 200 **acres** of land.

backyard

n. a whole space behind and belonging to a house

synonym : courtyard, garden

(1) play in the **backyard**, (2) **backyard** barbecue

He grows vegetables in his **backyard**.

context

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

synonym : background, setting, environment

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

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

recognize

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

synonym : acknowledge, identify, admit

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

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

propose

v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

synonym : suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes

I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

temporary

adj. not lasting or be used for a very long

synonym : provisional, short-term, interim

(1) a **temporary** permit, (2) **temporary** housing

He managed to get **temporary** jobs during the recession.

blight

v. to have a detrimental effect on something, typically causing it to deteriorate or fail; (noun) any plant disease resulting in withering without rotting

synonym : devastate, ruin, decimate

(1) **blight** his life, (2) **blight** a crop

The abandoned factory was **blighted** by vandalism and graffiti.

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.

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.

resident

n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place

synonym: dweller, inhabitant, inhabitant

(1) a **resident** of the city, (2) **resident** tax

Visa renewal for **resident** foreigners in this country is once every five years.

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.

workshop

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

synonym: studio, laboratory, atelier

(1) **workshop** attendee, (2) carpentry **workshop**

The artist held a **workshop** to teach students how to paint with watercolors.

circus

n. a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment

synonym: fair, carnival, spectacle

(1) **circus** performer, (2) **circus** tent

The kids were excited to go to the **circus** and see the clowns and animals perform.

shoreline

n. a line that separates land and sea

(1) **shoreline** erosion, (2) coral-reef **shoreline**

Flooding occurs along the city's **shoreline** due to the storm surge.

trail

n. a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind

synonym: footpath, track, course

(1) a warm **trail**, (2) follow the **trail**

The storm left a **trail** of destruction behind it.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym: alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power

My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

relation

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

synonym: association, linkage, connection

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

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

concrete

adj. existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement

synonym: actual, factual, hardened

(1) a **concrete** noun, (2) **concrete** examples

The president asked for a more **concrete** plan.

disaster

n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

synonym: catastrophe, calamity, tragedy

(1) global **disaster**, (2) **disaster** recovery

The **disaster** response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

yell

v. to shout in a sudden and loud way

synonym: shout, scream, cry

(1) **yell** for help, (2) **yell** as loud as we can

When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and **yelled** at me.

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.

condo

n. a type of housing where each unit is individually owned, while common areas are jointly owned and managed

synonym: apartment, unit, flat

(1) luxury **condo**, (2) **condo** segment

The young couple was searching for their first **condo** in the city.

spite

n. feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty

synonym: malice, ill will, vindictiveness

(1) bear **spite** against him, (2) die in **spite** of intensive care

He did it out of **spite**, to annoy me.

environment

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

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

injustice

n. a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
synonym: unfairness, bias, discrimination

(1) gross **injustice**, (2) **injustice** system

The **injustice** of the court's decision angered many people and led to protests.

industrial

adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry

synonym: manufacturing, mechanical

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

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

toxic

adj. of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous

synonym: poisonous, harmful, contaminated

(1) **toxic** molecule, (2) exposure to **toxic** chemicals

This chemical compound is a thousand-fold more **toxic**.

zip

n. a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently

synonym: fastener, postcode, slide

(1) **zip** code, (2) **zip** file

She put her phone in the **zip** pocket of her backpack.

capita

n. a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone

synonym : head, headcount, person

(1) per **capita** sales, (2) the agricultural yield per **capita**
GDP per **capita** shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.

unemployed

adj. not having a job, although able to work

synonym : idle, inactive, jobless

(1) assignment for the **unemployed** youth, (2) people who are **unemployed**

My father was **unemployed** for so long.

incarceration

n. the state of being confined in prison or jail

synonym : confinement, imprisonment, detention

(1) mass **incarceration**, (2) **incarceration** rates

The judge sentenced him to five years of **incarceration** for embezzlement.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym : specialized, technical

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

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

giant

adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

synonym : big, gigantic, huge

(1) **giant** trees, (2) **giant** tech company

The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

trigger

v. to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

synonym : activate, spark, drive

(1) **trigger** a biochemical response, (2) **trigger** inflation

The incident **triggered** a political controversy.

gentrify

v. to renovate, revitalize, or develop a deteriorated, predominantly urban area, often leading to the

displacement of low-income or minority residents and the influx of more affluent residents and businesses

synonym : revitalize, renovate, renew

(1) **gentrify** a community, (2) **gentrify** a street

The new coffee shops and high-end boutiques are starting to **gentrify** the neighborhood.

redefine

v. to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way

synonym : reconsider, reformulate, alter

(1) **redefine** customer experience, (2) **redefine** our role

The video telephony application has **redefined** the way we work.

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym : character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

pause

v. to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing

synonym : halt, break, intermit

(1) **pause** a moment, (2) **pause** for a reaction

The man **paused** before opening the door.

suspect

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

synonym : assume, distrust, surmise

(1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick

The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

synonymous

adj. having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase

synonym : equivalent, interchangeable, similar

(1) **synonymous** terms, (2) non- **synonymous** mutation
The phrase "big shot" and "important person" are **synonymous**.

displacement

n. the act of forcing someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

synonym: eviction, exile, exodus

(1) **displacement** camp, (2) a car with 1800 cc
displacement

The **displacement** of the residents was a consequence of the construction of the new highway.

wealth

n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

synonym: affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

displace

v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

synonym: evict, exile, remove

(1) **displace** workers, (2) **displace** the explosive power

The construction of the new dam will **displace** hundreds of families living downstream.

agony

n. extreme physical or mental pain or suffering, often prolonged or intense

synonym: anguish, torment, suffering

(1) severe **agony**, (2) emotional **agony**

The athlete fell to the ground in **agony** after injuring their ankle.

spot

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

synonym: dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor
This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

landlord

n. a person or organization that rents a room, a house, an office, etc.

synonym: lessor, owner, proprietor

(1) suit against the **landlord**, (2) the **landlord** of an inn
He complained about the price of tenant pays to the **landlord**.

belong

v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

synonym: fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group
All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

regardless

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

synonym: anyhow, nevertheless, still

(1) **regardless** of the difficulties, (2) **regardless** tread
People can pick out superior products **regardless** of the quality of the advertising.

erase

v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

synonym: wipe out, delete, obliterate

(1) **erase** a memory, (2) **erased** the files
He attempted to **erase** the misspelled word.

economy

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

synonym: finance, trade, business

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

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

inevitable

adj. certain to happen and unavoidable

synonym : inescapable, unavoidable, sure

(1) **inevitable** changes of the seasons, (2) **inevitable** result

In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is **inevitable**.

acknowledgment

n. the act of accepting or admitting something, or the fact of being accepted or admitted; recognition or acceptance of the existence or truth of something

synonym : recognition, acceptance, admission

(1) in thankful **acknowledgment**, (2) **acknowledgment** of obligation

The recipient signed the **acknowledgment** of receipt.

commitment

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

synonym : burden, obligation, promise

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

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

rethink

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

synonym : reexplore, review, reconsider

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

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

grief

n. a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies

synonym : anguish, desperation, dismay

(1) have **grief** and sorrow, (2) a lot of **grief**

Each person has a unique **grief** experience.

interweave

v. to combine or blend substantive parts or elements; to interlace; to mix or intermingle

synonym: intertwine, intertwist, interlace

(1) **interweave** threads, (2) **interweave** ideas

The author expertly tried to **interweave** the story's plot and characters.

recurring

adj. happening or occurring again periodically or repeatedly

synonym: periodic, constant, frequent

(1) **recurring** payments, (2) **recurring** decimals

A **recurring** back pain interfered with his concentration.

laborer

n. a person who works hard physically, typically doing unskilled or manual labor; a worker or employee who performs physically demanding tasks

synonym: worker, employee, operative

(1) **laborer** job, (2) skilled **laborer**

The construction site hired many **laborers** to help with the heavy lifting.

wage

n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

synonym: payment, compensation, salary

(1) unpaid **wages**, (2) increase in the minimum **wage**

His **wages** continued to rise as his skills improved.

sacred

adj. connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

synonym: holy, inviolable, hallowed

(1) **sacred** music, (2) the halo of a **sacred** image

This space is a private office **sacred** to the President

statue

n. a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way

synonym: sculpture, figurine, monument

(1) a beautiful **statue**, (2) the ancient Egyptian **statues**
The **statue** of the famous hero stood proudly in the town square.

removal

n. the act of taking something away or off from a particular place

synonym: extraction, elimination, eradication

(1) dental tartar **removal**, (2) **removal** truck

The **removal** of the statue caused much controversy in the community.

lifeblood

n. a vital or essential element or substance that is necessary for survival or success

synonym: essence, vitality, sustenance

(1) the **lifeblood** of every organization, (2) the **lifeblood** of the economy

The company's reputation is its **lifeblood**.

remake

v. to create a new version of a work of art, such as a film, song, or play, using the same or similar material as the original; to adapt or update something for a new audience or purpose; (noun) a new version or adaptation of a previously existing movie, song, TV show, or other creative work

synonym: revamp, redo, reproduce

(1) video game **remake**, (2) **remake** song

The director plans to **remake** the classic movie with a modern twist.

boundless

adj. having no limits; limitless

synonym: limitless, indefinite, bottomless

(1) **boundless** imagination, (2) **boundless** energy

The **boundless** ocean stretched before them as far as the eye could see.

desire

n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

synonym: ambition, appetite, greed

(1) unsatisfied **desire**, (2) fleshly **desire**

Low sexual **desire** typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true
synonym: chance, prospect, likelihood

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

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

maintain

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

synonym: preserve, uphold, sustain

(1) **maintain** order, (2) **maintain** good health

I need to **maintain** my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

bliss

n. extreme happiness or joy

synonym: delight, euphoria, happiness

(1) ignorance is **bliss**, (2) ultimate **bliss**

The first two years of her marriage were sheer **bliss**.

ignorance

n. lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact

synonym: unintelligence, inexperience, unawareness

(1) **ignorance** of the law, (2) **ignorance** is bliss

His **ignorance** of the situation led him to make a poor decision.

landscape

n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

synonym: geography, terrain, topography

(1) a peaceful **landscape**, (2) **landscape** painting

Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political **landscape** in Europe.

squelch

v. to make a sucking sound like that made by walking heavily through mud; to suppress or silence something completely; to crush or quash something, especially through force or authority

synonym : squish, slosh, splash

(1) **squelch** a rumor, (2) **squelch** a rebellion

She had to **squelch** her anger before she spoke to her boss about the issue.

expedient

adj. convenient and practical, although possibly improper or immoral; (noun) a means or method that is chosen as the best or most practical way to achieve a particular result; a resource or device used for convenience or advantage

synonym : advantageous, practical, convenient

(1) **expedient** solution, (2) **expedient** decision

Using public transportation is an **expedient** way to reduce traffic congestion.

consistent

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

synonym : coherent, constant, compatible

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

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

impending

adj. about to happen or occur; close in time; imminent

synonym : imminent, upcoming, approaching

(1) **impending** doom, (2) **impending** crisis

We must prepare for the **impending** storm expected to hit our area.

departure

n. the act of leaving, especially to start a journey

synonym : leaving, exit, flight

(1) **departure** from tradition, (2) **departure** from the

company

The **departure** time for the flight is 6:00 am.

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.

ghetto

n. an area of a city in which members of a particular group, typically an ethnic minority, usually live in poverty and with a high population density

synonym : slum, shantytown, inner city

(1) **ghetto** apartments, (2) **ghetto** school

The residents of the **ghetto** faced poverty and discrimination.

violent

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

synonym : aggressive, intense, turbulent

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

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

blank

adj. without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information

synonym : empty, void, barren

(1) **blank** expression, (2) **blank** paper

The computer screen displayed nothing but a **blank** white screen

slate

n. a flat piece of rock or stone that is typically used as a roofing or flooring material; a list of candidates for an election arranged in a specific order

synonym : chalkboard, blackboard, tablet

(1) **slate** tile, (2) **slate** roof

We need to add more names to the **slate** of candidates for

the upcoming election.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

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.

clip

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

synonym: buckle, hook, pin

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

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

pride

n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

synonym: vanity, conceit, egotism

(1) **pride** of a company, (2) hide his **pride**

She took great **pride** in her work, always striving for perfection.

empower

v. to give someone the power or authority to do something

synonym: authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

brainstorming

n. a group activity or business method in which a group of people meet and think about something at the same

time to solve a problem or to create good ideas

(1) **brainstorming** session, (2) do a **brainstorming** about a new product

Many companies employ **brainstorming** as a good way of generating innovative ideas.

radical

adj. relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions

synonym : extreme, revolutionary

(1) a **radical** flaw in the plan, (2) a **radical** cure

The government established by the coup was more **radical** than before.

weave

v. to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them

synonym : braid, unite, contrive

(1) **weave** on a loom, (2) **weave** a story

The girl **weaves** a garland for her friend.

healing

n. the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again

synonym : recovery, recuperation, convalescence

(1) natural **healing** ability, (2) part of the **healing** process

Each ancient tribe has its **healing** traditions.

therapy

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

synonym : antidote, medicine, treatment

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

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

retrospect

n. a review or analysis of past events, particularly to gain insight or understanding; a consideration of something that has already occurred or been accomplished

synonym : review, hindsight, contemplation

(1) **retrospect** review, (2) with hindsight **retrospect**
In **retrospect**, I wish I had made a different decision.

session

n. a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

synonym: conference, gathering

(1) the morning **session**, (2) the court **session**
Parliament is now in **session**.

absent

adj. not present in a particular place at a particular time

synonym: missing, away, not present

(1) **absent-minded**, (2) **absent** without leave
He was **absent** from the meeting and missed all the important updates.

heal

v. to make a wound or injury to become well again

synonym: recover, bring around, mend

(1) **heal** a broken bone, (2) **heal** the hurt mind
It will take time for her mental scars to **heal**.

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?

fulfill

v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

synonym: satisfy, complete, accomplish

(1) **fulfill** a contract, (2) **fulfill** a lifetime dream
It was the first time for her, but she **fulfilled** the role of Priest.

privilege

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

synonym: benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership
In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

reckon

v. to think or believe something
synonym: regard, imagine, suppose

(1) hard to **reckon**, (2) **reckon** the company as a rival
He **reckons** that corruption was rampant in the regime.

guilt

n. the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
synonym: regret, remorse, blame

(1) criminal **guilt**, (2) feeling of **guilt**
Shame and **guilt** have significant social influences.

discomfort

n. a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain
synonym: affliction, despair, ache

(1) endure **discomfort** and pain, (2) **discomfort** in the abdomen
He felt no **discomfort** as the dentist drilled his deadened tooth.

complicity

n. the state of being involved with others in an illegal, harmful, or shameful act; the act of assisting or collaborating with someone else in wrongdoing or crime
synonym: collusion, conspiracy, connivance

(1) religious **complicity**, (2) deny **complicity**
The investigation revealed his **complicity** in the crime.

nonprofit

adj. not established for commercial profit
synonym: charitable

(1) a **nonprofit** organization, (2) **nonprofit** agency
Our law firm also focuses on **nonprofit** activities.

observe

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

synonym: watch, monitor, scrutinize

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

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

acknowledge

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

synonym: accept, agree, declare

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

He never **acknowledged** his fault.

quotation

- n. a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

synonym: excerpt, passage, quote

(1) double **quotation** marks, (2) take a **quotation**

He included a **quotation** from the book in his essay.

renew

- v. to begin or resume something again after an interruption

synonym: renovate, restore, revitalize

(1) **renew** a contract, (2) **renew** its corporate image

I have to **renew** my passport by the middle of September.

faith

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

synonym: belief, trust, confidence

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

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

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.

frank

adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

synonym : candid, direct, freehearted

(1) **frank** and open discussion, (2) make a **frank** apology

Full involvement means **frank** and prompt responses.

resilient

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

synonym : robust, sturdy, tough

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

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

courage

n. the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

synonym : bravery, valor, fearlessness

(1) mental **courage**, (2) inspire **courage**

It takes a lot of **courage** to stand up for what you believe is right.

presence

n. the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

synonym : existence, actuality, fact

(1) the evidence of the **presence**, (2) his majestic **presence**

The path to a solid online **presence** necessitates a high technical ability.

uncomfortable

adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

synonym: comfortless, discomforting, painful

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

His abusive words made me **uncomfortable**.

committed

adj. willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

synonym: devoted, faithful, attached

(1) in a **committed** relationship, (2) strong and **committed** sales staff

Our company is strongly **committed** to meeting customers' needs.

Session 2: Spelling

1. di____ce the explosive power *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
2. beginning of the ind_____al revolution *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
3. the to__r on a cliff *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
4. re____nt tax *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
5. have gr__f and sorrow *n.* a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies
6. re____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
7. int_____ve ideas *v.* to combine or blend substantive parts or elements; to interlace; to mix or intermingle
8. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
9. we__e on a loom *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
10. criminal gu__t *n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong

ANSWERS: 1. displace, 2. industrial, 3. tower, 4. resident, 5. grief, 6. relation, 7. interweave, 8. technological, 9. weave, 10. guilt

11. mental co_____e *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
12. dis_____ent camp *n.* the act of forcing someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
13. a co_____te noun *adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
14. first design sk____hes *n.* a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something
15. people who are une_____ed *adj.* not having a job, although able to work
16. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
17. the halo of a sa____d image *adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god
18. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
19. inspire co_____e *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

ANSWERS: 11. courage, 12. displacement, 13. concrete, 14. sketch, 15. unemployed, 16. environment, 17. sacred, 18. violent, 19. courage

20. im_____ng crisis *adj.* about to happen or occur; close in time; imminent
21. a re_____nt of the city *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
22. non-syn_____us mutation *adj.* having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase
23. id_____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
24. gross in_____ce *n.* a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
25. cl_____e of a road *n.* the situation that a company, organization, etc. has ceased operations permanently
26. take a qu_____on *n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
27. hide his pr__e *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
28. la_____r job *n.* a person who works hard physically, typically doing unskilled or manual labor; a worker or employee who performs physically demanding tasks
29. col_____te with the police *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
30. be___g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

ANSWERS: 20. impending, 21. resident, 22. synonymous, 23. identity, 24. injustice, 25. closure, 26. quotation, 27. pride, 28. laborer, 29. collaborate, 30. belong

31. h__l the hurt mind *v.* to make a wound or injury to become well again
32. ine_____le changes of the seasons *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
33. ge_____hy class *n.* a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
34. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
35. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
36. z_p code *n.* a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently
37. meet his com_____nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
38. ge_____fy a community *v.* to renovate, revitalize, or develop a deteriorated, predominantly urban area, often leading to the displacement of low-income or minority residents and the influx of more affluent residents and businesses
39. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

ANSWERS: 31. heal, 32. inevitable, 33. geography, 34. silent, 35. conversation, 36. zip, 37. commitment, 38. gentrify, 39. recognize

40. the morning se_____n
n. a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
41. re___n the company as a rival
v. to think or believe something
42. te_____ry housing
adj. not lasting or be used for a very long
43. a s__t on his honor
n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
44. fr__k and open discussion
adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
45. tie c__p
n. a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
46. hard to re___n
v. to think or believe something
47. achieve the hi_____ic feat
adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so
48. the state of being we__d
adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
49. la_____pe painting
n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
50. cognitive com_____ty
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
51. cr__t arts of Japan
n. an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands

ANSWERS: 40. session, 41. reckon, 42. temporary, 43. spot, 44. frank, 45. clip, 46. reckon, 47. historic, 48. weird, 49. landscape, 50. complexity, 51. craft

52. part of the he_____g process *n.* the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again
53. a ra_____l flaw in the plan *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
54. ca_____g card *n.* a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices
55. re____t temptation *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
56. an eq_____le price *adj.* fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly
57. ack_____ge his help *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
58. h__l broke loose *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
59. ultimate bl__s *n.* extreme happiness or joy
60. public school cl_____es *n.* the situation that a company, organization, etc. has ceased operations permanently
61. the court se_____n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

ANSWERS: 52. healing, 53. radical, 54. catalog, 55. resist, 56. equitable, 57. acknowledge, 58. hell, 59. bliss, 60. closure, 61. session

62. the evidence of the pr____ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
63. gi__t trees *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
64. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
65. dental tartar re____l *n.* the act of taking something away or off from a particular place
66. a com_____nt to an alliance *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
67. bl____t his life *v.* to have a detrimental effect on something, typically causing it to deteriorate or fail; (noun) any plant disease resulting in withering without rotting
68. classic arc_____ure *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
69. choose tr__p *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
70. majority of his we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
71. a ra____l cure *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
72. tr____r a biochemical response *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

ANSWERS: 62. presence, 63. giant, 64. environment, 65. removal, 66. commitment, 67. blight, 68. architecture, 69. trump, 70. wealth, 71. radical, 72. trigger

73. p__t a revolution *n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
74. gh___o apartments *n.* an area of a city in which members of a particular group, typically an ethnic minority, usually live in poverty and with a high population density
75. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
76. marginal ut_____y *n.* the state or quality of being useful or convenient; the service, such as electric power or water or transportation, provided by a public
77. get into the lu___y car market *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
78. re___t being kissed *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
79. in a co_____ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
80. religious fa__h *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
81. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 73. plot, 74. ghetto, 75. distribute, 76. utility, 77. luxury, 78. resist, 79. committed, 80. faith, 81. economy

82. fu____l a contract *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
83. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
84. mass inc_____ion *n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
85. in_____ce system *n.* a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
86. the ancient Egyptian st___es *n.* a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way
87. sh_____ne erosion *n.* a line that separates land and sea
88. the li_____od of the economy *n.* a vital or essential element or substance that is necessary for survival or success
89. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
90. overseas mi_____on *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
91. bu_____ze a mound *v.* to level or clear an area of land using a bulldozer (= a large, heavy vehicle with a blade on the front); to use force or the threat of force to make them do something or to get them to move out of the way
92. bear sp__e against him *n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty

ANSWERS: 82. fulfill, 83. experiment, 84. incarceration, 85. injustice, 86. statue, 87. shoreline, 88. lifeblood, 89. crazy, 90. migration, 91. bulldoze, 92. spite

93. ob____e wildlife *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
94. skilled la____r *n.* a person who works hard physically, typically doing unskilled or manual labor; a worker or employee who performs physically demanding tasks
95. s__ls retentive of moisture *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
96. dis____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
97. em____r the secretary to do the same *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
98. pr__e of a company *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
99. as____t pavement *n.* a black, sticky substance that is used to surface roads, roofs, and other structures made from a mixture of sand, gravel, and a petroleum-based material called bitumen
100. luxury co__o *n.* a type of housing where each unit is individually owned, while common areas are jointly owned and managed
101. a chick's tw__t *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

ANSWERS: 93. observe, 94. laborer, 95. soil, 96. distribute, 97. empower, 98. pride, 99. asphalt, 100. condo, 101. tweet

102. en____e the company to use the logo
v. to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something
103. series of exp_____nts
n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
104. in____e criticism
v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
105. com_____ty theory
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
106. bl____t a crop
v. to have a detrimental effect on something, typically causing it to deteriorate or fail; (noun) any plant disease resulting in withering without rotting
107. acc_____te these needs
v. to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose
108. sq_____h a rumor
v. to make a sucking sound like that made by walking heavily through mud; to suppress or silence something completely; to crush or quash something, especially through force or authority
109. cr__y about cars and racing
adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry
110. su_____e you're right
v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
111. we__e a story
v. to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them

ANSWERS: 102. entitle, 103. experiment, 104. invite, 105. complexity, 106. blight, 107. accommodate, 108. squelch, 109. crazy, 110. suppose, 111. weave

112. ci___s tent *n.* a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment
113. su_____t that he is sick *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
114. su_____t a plot *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
115. y__l for help *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
116. ine_____le result *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
117. an unc_____ble silence *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
118. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
119. bl__k expression *adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
120. make a fr__k apology *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
121. a no_____it organization *adj.* not established for commercial profit
122. pa__e a moment *v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
123. 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

ANSWERS: 112. circus, 113. suspect, 114. suspect, 115. yell, 116. inevitable, 117. uncomfortable, 118. unfortunately, 119. blank, 120. frank, 121. nonprofit, 122. pause, 123. develop

124. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
125. re_____k the role of the manager *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
126. a peaceful la_____pe *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
127. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
128. follow the tr___l *n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
129. di_____e backgrounds *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
130. parched s___l *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
131. ob_____e a tradition *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
132. tec_____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
133. decision-making pr_____s *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

ANSWERS: 124. relation, 125. rethink, 126. landscape, 127. unfortunately, 128. trail, 129. diverse, 130. soil, 131. observe, 132. technological, 133. process

134. gi__t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
135. sl__e roof *n.* a flat piece of rock or stone that is typically used as a roofing or flooring material; a list of candidates for an election arranged in a specific order
136. landscape ar_____ct *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
137. ma_____in order *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
138. re_____nt population *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
139. exposure to to__c chemicals *adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
140. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
141. economic ge_____hy *n.* a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
142. to__c molecule *adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
143. pa__e for a reaction *v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
144. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 134. giant, 135. slate, 136. architect, 137. maintain, 138. resilient, 139. toxic, 140. involve, 141. geography, 142. toxic, 143. pause, 144. economy

145. mo_____nt honoring *n.* a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event
146. en_____e him to a pension *v.* to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something
147. a penciled sk____h *n.* a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something
148. field of gene th_____y *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
149. a beautiful st____e *n.* a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way
150. wo_____op attendee *n.* a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group
151. increase in the minimum w__e *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
152. sl__e tile *n.* a flat piece of rock or stone that is typically used as a roofing or flooring material; a list of candidates for an election arranged in a specific order
153. ur__n property owners *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
154. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;

ANSWERS: 145. monument, 146. entitle, 147. sketch, 148. therapy, 149. statue, 150. workshop, 151. wage, 152. slate, 153. urban, 154. transform

155. fleshly de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
156. a te_____ry permit *adj.* not lasting or be used for a very long
157. his latest tw__ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
158. arc_____ure design *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
159. feeling of gu__t *n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
160. strong and co_____ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
161. bu_____ze a person into buying *v.* to level or clear an area of land using a bulldozer (= a large, heavy vehicle with a blade on the front); to use force or the threat of force to make them do something or to get them to move out of the way
162. emotional ag__y *n.* extreme physical or mental pain or suffering, often prolonged or intense
163. unpaid w__es *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
164. get con_____nt results *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

ANSWERS: 155. desire, 156. temporary, 157. tweet, 158. architecture, 159. guilt, 160. committed, 161. bulldoze, 162. agony, 163. wage, 164. consistent

165. sp____l ability *adj.* of or relating space and the position, area, and size of things
166. the li_____od of every organization *n.* a vital or essential element or substance that is necessary for survival or success
167. long-term le__e *n.* a legal document that grants a person or organization the right to use a property, land, or asset for a specified period of time, usually in exchange for rent or a fee; (verb) to rent or let out a property, vehicle, or other assets to someone for a specified period of time in exchange for payment
168. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
169. a lot of gr__f *n.* a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies
170. co__o segment *n.* a type of housing where each unit is individually owned, while common areas are jointly owned and managed
171. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
172. col_____te on a press release *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
173. religious com_____ty *n.* the state of being involved with others in an illegal, harmful, or shameful act; the act of assisting or collaborating with someone else in wrongdoing or crime

ANSWERS: 165. spatial, 166. lifeblood, 167. lease, 168. context, 169. grief, 170. condo, 171. amazing, 172. collaborate, 173. complicity

174. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
175. tr_____r inflation *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
176. an a__e of forest *n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)
177. de_____re from the company *n.* the act of leaving, especially to start a journey
178. play in the ba_____rd *n.* a whole space behind and belonging to a house
179. ma_____in good health *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
180. co_____te examples *adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
181. no_____it agency *adj.* not established for commercial profit
182. double qu_____on marks *n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
183. ig_____ce is bliss *n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
184. ci____s performer *n.* a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment

ANSWERS: 174. possibility, 175. trigger, 176. acre, 177. departure, 178. backyard, 179. maintain, 180. concrete, 181. nonprofit, 182. quotation, 183. ignorance, 184. circus

185. as_____t driveway *n.* a black, sticky substance that is used to surface roads, roofs, and other structures made from a mixture of sand, gravel, and a petroleum-based material called bitumen
186. in an eq_____le manner *adj.* fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly
187. the mi_____on of birds *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
188. ba_____rd barbecue *n.* a whole space behind and belonging to a house
189. di_____ce workers *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
190. re_____ng decimals *adj.* happening or occurring again periodically or repeatedly
191. suit against the la_____rd *n.* a person or organization that rents a room, a house, an office, etc.
192. a ho_____ss cat *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
193. deny com_____ty *n.* the state of being involved with others in an illegal, harmful, or shameful act; the act of assisting or collaborating with someone else in wrongdoing or crime
194. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

ANSWERS: 185. asphalt, 186. equitable, 187. migration, 188. backyard, 189. displace, 190. recurring, 191. landlord, 192. homeless, 193. complicity, 194. identity

195. int_____ve threads *v.* to combine or blend substantive parts or elements; to interlace; to mix or intermingle
196. beauty s__t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
197. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
198. a car with 1800 cc dis_____ent *n.* the act of forcing someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
199. ut_____y costs *n.* the state or quality of being useful or convenient; the service, such as electric power or water or transportation, provided by a public
200. his majestic pr_____ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
201. de_____re from tradition *n.* the act of leaving, especially to start a journey
202. a person of di_____e talents *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
203. commercial le__e *n.* a legal document that grants a person or organization the right to use a property, land, or asset for a specified period of time, usually in exchange for rent or a fee; (verb) to rent or let out a property, vehicle, or other assets to someone for a specified period of time in exchange for payment

ANSWERS: 195. interweave, 196. spot, 197. communal, 198. displacement, 199. utility, 200. presence, 201. departure, 202. diverse, 203. lease

204. be___g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
205. do a bra_____ing about a new product *n.* a group activity or business method in which a group of people meet and think about something at the same time to solve a problem or to create good ideas
206. cr__t manufacture *n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
207. bo_____ss energy *adj.* having no limits; limitless
208. pr_____e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
209. re_____k a marketing plan *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
210. h__l a broken bone *v.* to make a wound or injury to become well again
211. ignorance is bl__s *n.* extreme happiness or joy
212. reg_____ss of the difficulties *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
213. ho_____ss shelter *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
214. unsatisfied de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
215. ack_____ent of obligation *n.* the act of accepting or admitting something, or the fact of being accepted or admitted; recognition or acceptance of the existence or truth of something

ANSWERS: 204. belong, 205. brainstorming, 206. craft, 207. boundless, 208. propose, 209. rethink, 210. heal, 211. bliss, 212. regardless, 213. homeless, 214. desire, 215. acknowledgment

216. bl__k paper *adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
217. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
218. reg_____ss tread *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
219. ig_____ce of the law *n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
220. z_p file *n.* a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently
221. sq_____h a rebellion *v.* to make a sucking sound like that made by walking heavily through mud; to suppress or silence something completely; to crush or quash something, especially through force or authority
222. natural he_____g ability *n.* the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again
223. per ca___a sales *n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone

ANSWERS: 216. blank, 217. suppose, 218. regardless, 219. ignorance, 220. zip, 221. squelch, 222. healing, 223. capita

224. a hard and re_____nt steel *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
225. el_____e educational standards *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
226. y__l as loud as we can *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
227. inc_____ion rates *n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
228. a bell to__r *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
229. ar_____ct of the peace accord *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
230. p__t twist *n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
231. ha_____ot countries *n.* a person or group who lacks the necessities of life, such as adequate food, shelter, or economic resources, often contrasted with a "have" or someone who has abundance or wealth
232. a we__d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
233. a classified ca_____g *n.* a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices
234. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;

ANSWERS: 224. resilient, 225. elevate, 226. yell, 227. incarceration, 228. tower, 229. architect, 230. plot, 231. have-not, 232. weird, 233. catalog, 234. transform

235. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
236. lu___y hotel *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
237. run like h___l *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
238. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
239. ab___t-minded *adj.* not present in a particular place at a particular time
240. ge_____fy a street *v.* to renovate, revitalize, or develop a deteriorated, predominantly urban area, often leading to the displacement of low-income or minority residents and the influx of more affluent residents and businesses
241. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
242. a warm tr___l *n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
243. coral-reef sh_____ne *n.* a line that separates land and sea

ANSWERS: 235. colleague, 236. luxury, 237. hell, 238. conversation, 239. absent, 240. gentrify, 241. context, 242. trail, 243. shoreline

244. severe ag__y	<i>n.</i> extreme physical or mental pain or suffering, often prolonged or intense
245. former co_____ue	<i>n.</i> one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
246. em_____r my life	<i>v.</i> to give someone the power or authority to do something
247. re_____ng payments	<i>adj.</i> happening or occurring again periodically or repeatedly
248. er__ed the files	<i>v.</i> to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
249. humanity's mo_____nt	<i>n.</i> a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event
250. assignment for the une_____ed youth	<i>adj.</i> not having a job, although able to work
251. ind_____al alcohol	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to or resulting from industry
252. pos_____ty of a major earthquake	<i>n.</i> a chance that something may happen or be true
253. co_____al swimming pool	<i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
254. sp_____l distribution	<i>adj.</i> of or relating space and the position, area, and size of things
255. de_____p a skill	<i>v.</i> 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: 244. agony, 245. colleague, 246. empower, 247. recurring, 248. erase, 249. monument, 250. unemployed, 251. industrial, 252. possibility, 253. communal, 254. spatial, 255. develop

256. ex_____nt decision *adj.* convenient and practical, although possibly improper or immoral; (noun) a means or method that is chosen as the best or most practical way to achieve a particular result; a resource or device used for convenience or advantage
257. di_____er recovery *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
258. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
259. fu_____l a lifetime dream *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
260. in_____e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
261. syn_____us terms *adj.* having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase
262. half-a__e parcel *n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)
263. bra_____ing session *n.* a group activity or business method in which a group of people meet and think about something at the same time to solve a problem or to create good ideas
264. ack_____ge the deed *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

ANSWERS: 256. expedient, 257. disaster, 258. involve, 259. fulfill, 260. invite, 261. synonymous, 262. acre, 263. brainstorming, 264. acknowledge

265. hi____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
266. endure dis_____rt and pain *n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain
267. global di_____er *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
268. with hindsight ret_____ct *n.* a review or analysis of past events, particularly to gain insight or understanding; a consideration of something that has already occurred or been accomplished
269. acc_____te a person with money *v.* to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose
270. re_____ne our role *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
271. die in sp__e of intensive care *n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty
272. video game re____e *v.* to create a new version of a work of art, such as a film, song, or play, using the same or similar material as the original; to adapt or update something for a new audience or purpose; (noun) a new version or adaptation of a previously existing movie, song, TV show, or other creative work

ANSWERS: 265. historic, 266. discomfort, 267. disaster, 268. retrospect, 269. accommodate, 270. redefine, 271. spite, 272. remake

273. sa___d music *adj.* connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god
274. ex_____nt solution *adj.* convenient and practical, although possibly improper or immoral; (noun) a means or method that is chosen as the best or most practical way to achieve a particular result; a resource or device used for convenience or advantage
275. short video c__p *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
276. ret_____ct review *n.* a review or analysis of past events, particularly to gain insight or understanding; a consideration of something that has already occurred or been accomplished
277. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
278. fa__h in government *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
279. er__e a memory *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
280. pr_____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
281. re__w its corporate image *v.* to begin or resume something again after an interruption

ANSWERS: 273. sacred, 274. expedient, 275. clip, 276. retrospect, 277. amazing, 278. faith, 279. erase, 280. propose, 281. renew

282. in thankful ack_____ent *n.* the act of accepting or admitting something, or the fact of being accepted or admitted; recognition or acceptance of the existence or truth of something
283. bo_____ss imagination *adj.* having no limits; limitless
284. tr__p card *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
285. ur__n planning *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
286. re___e song *v.* to create a new version of a work of art, such as a film, song, or play, using the same or similar material as the original; to adapt or update something for a new audience or purpose; (noun) a new version or adaptation of a previously existing movie, song, TV show, or other creative work
287. gh___o school *n.* an area of a city in which members of a particular group, typically an ethnic minority, usually live in poverty and with a high population density
288. 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

ANSWERS: 282. acknowledgment, 283. boundless, 284. trump, 285. urban, 286. remake, 287. ghetto, 288. process

289. re_____l truck *n.* the act of taking something away or off from a particular place
290. th_____y for a patient *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
291. si_____t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
292. re_____ne customer experience *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
293. pr_____ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
294. with an unc_____ble face *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
295. el_____e a close relationship *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
296. the agricultural yield per ca_____a *n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
297. a breach of pr_____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
298. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

ANSWERS: 289. removal, 290. therapy, 291. silent, 292. redefine, 293. privilege, 294. uncomfortable, 295. elevate, 296. capita, 297. privilege, 298. recognize

299. dis_____rt in the abdomen *n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain
300. im_____ng doom *adj.* about to happen or occur; close in time; imminent
301. carpentry wo_____op *n.* a place where people work, especially one where they do manual or practical work; a brief intensive course for a small group
302. the la_____rd of an inn *n.* a person or organization that rents a room, a house, an office, etc.
303. ab____t without leave *adj.* not present in a particular place at a particular time
304. ha_____ot families *n.* a person or group who lacks the necessities of life, such as adequate food, shelter, or economic resources, often contrasted with a "have" or someone who has abundance or wealth
305. material we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
306. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
307. re__w a contract *v.* to begin or resume something again after an interruption
308. do on a con_____nt basis *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

ANSWERS: 299. discomfort, 300. impending, 301. workshop, 302. landlord, 303. absent, 304. have-not, 305. wealth, 306. violent, 307. renew, 308. consistent

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.
v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
2. He managed to get _____ jobs during the recession.
adj. not lasting or be used for a very long
3. The kids were excited to go to the _____ and see the clowns and animals perform.
n. a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment
4. He fastens some sheets of paper with a _____.
n. a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
5. The construction site hired many _____ to help with the heavy lifting.
n. a person who works hard physically, typically doing unskilled or manual labor; a worker or employee who performs physically demanding tasks
6. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.
adv. by bad luck; unluckily
7. He was _____ from the meeting and missed all the important updates.
adj. not present in a particular place at a particular time
8. She put her phone in the ____ pocket of her backpack.
n. a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently

ANSWERS: 1. propose, 2. temporary, 3. circus, 4. clip, 5. laborers, 6. unfortunately,

7. absent, 8. zip

9. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.
adj. based on scientific and industrial progress
10. It takes a lot of _____ to stand up for what you believe is right.
n. the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
11. The _____ response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.
n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
12. He complained about the price of tenant pays to the _____.
n. a person or organization that rents a room, a house, an office, etc.
13. You are not _____ in your behavior.
adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
14. He grows vegetables in his _____.
n. a whole space behind and belonging to a house
15. People can pick out superior products _____ of the quality of the advertising.
adv. not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
16. In a democratic country, governments promote _____ opportunities to participate in society.
adj. fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly

ANSWERS: 9. Technological, 10. courage, 11. disaster, 12. landlord, 13. consistent, 14. backyard, 15. regardless, 16. equitable

17. His anti-_____ practices were quite strict.

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

18. The city is known for its impressive _____ and beautiful old buildings.

n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

19. Our company is strongly _____ to meeting customers' needs.

adj. willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

20. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?

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

21. _____ design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.

adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry

22. The computer screen displayed nothing but a _____ white screen

adj. without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information

23. She had to _____ her anger before she spoke to her boss about the issue.

v. to make a sucking sound like that made by walking heavily through mud; to suppress or silence something completely; to crush or quash something, especially through force or authority

24. She used the online _____ to find the perfect pair of earrings for her sister's birthday.

n. a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices

ANSWERS: 17. luxury, 18. architecture, 19. committed, 20. suppose, 21. Industrial, 22. blank, 23. squelch, 24. catalog

25. He did it out of _____ to annoy me.

- n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty

26. His hometown was where he first acquired the _____ of wood carving.

- n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands

27. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.

- adj.* without any or little sound

28. Full involvement means _____ and prompt responses.

- adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

29. The storm left a _____ of destruction behind it.

- n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind

30. The young couple was searching for their first _____ in the city.

- n.* a type of housing where each unit is individually owned, while common areas are jointly owned and managed

31. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

32. 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

ANSWERS: 25. spite, 26. craft, 27. silent, 28. frank, 29. trail, 30. condo, 31. conversation, 32. architect

33. Parliament is now in _____.

n. a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

34. The video telephony application has _____ the way we work.

v. to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way

35. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

36. Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political _____ in Europe.

n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

37. The _____ of the court's decision angered many people and led to protests.

n. a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society

38. In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is _____.

adj. certain to happen and unavoidable

39. His abusive words made me _____.

adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

40. She did well on her _____ exam.

n. a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth

41. This chemical compound is a thousand-fold more _____.

adj. of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous

ANSWERS: 33. session, 34. redefined, 35. amazing, 36. landscape, 37. injustice, 38. inevitable, 39. uncomfortable, 40. geography, 41. toxic

42. This space is a private office _____ to the President

adj. connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

43. She is a _____ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

44. The _____ of the residents was a consequence of the construction of the new highway.

n. the act of forcing someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

45. I need to _____ my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

46. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

47. The director plans to _____ the classic movie with a modern twist.

v. to create a new version of a work of art, such as a film, song, or play, using the same or similar material as the original; to adapt or update something for a new audience or purpose; (noun) a new version or adaptation of a previously existing movie, song, TV show, or other creative work

48. He never _____ his fault.

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

ANSWERS: 42. sacred, 43. resilient, 44. displacement, 45. maintain, 46. colleague, 47. remake, 48. acknowledged

49. The farm covers over 200 _____ of land.
- n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)
50. The athlete fell to the ground in _____ after injuring their ankle.
- n.* extreme physical or mental pain or suffering, often prolonged or intense
51. The incident _____ a political controversy.
- v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
52. The company _____ employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.
- v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
53. Yesterday, I created a rough _____ of the plan.
- n.* a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something
54. This large SUV _____ eight people.
- v.* to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose
55. The abandoned factory was _____ by vandalism and graffiti.
- v.* to have a detrimental effect on something, typically causing it to deteriorate or fail; (noun) any plant disease resulting in withering without rotting
56. He kept his robust _____ in his company.
- n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

ANSWERS: 49. acres, 50. agony, 51. triggered, 52. empowered, 53. sketch, 54. accommodates, 55. blighted, 56. faith

57. The _____ of the novel centers around a group of friends who uncover a conspiracy to control the world's water supply.
- n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
58. The investigation revealed his _____ in the crime.
- n.* the state of being involved with others in an illegal, harmful, or shameful act; the act of assisting or collaborating with someone else in wrongdoing or crime
59. They _____ the old building to make way for a new one.
- v.* to level or clear an area of land using a bulldozer (= a large, heavy vehicle with a blade on the front); to use force or the threat of force to make them do something or to get them to move out of the way
60. _____ moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.
- n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
61. Our law firm also focuses on _____ activities.
- adj.* not established for commercial profit
62. The _____ in our society often struggle to afford necessities like healthcare and education.
- n.* a person or group who lacks the necessities of life, such as adequate food, shelter, or economic resources, often contrasted with a "have" or someone who has abundance or wealth
63. The company's reputation is its _____.
- n.* a vital or essential element or substance that is necessary for survival or success

ANSWERS: 57. plot, 58. complicity, 59. bulldozed, 60. Soil, 61. nonprofit, 62. have-nots, 63. lifeblood

64. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.

- n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

65. We must prepare for the _____ storm expected to hit our area.

- adj.* about to happen or occur; close in time; imminent

66. The battlefield became _____ on earth.

- n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

67. Many companies employ _____ as a good way of generating innovative ideas.

- n.* a group activity or business method in which a group of people meet and think about something at the same time to solve a problem or to create good ideas

68. The landlord offered me a one-year _____ for the apartment.

- n.* a legal document that grants a person or organization the right to use a property, land, or asset for a specified period of time, usually in exchange for rent or a fee; (verb) to rent or let out a property, vehicle, or other assets to someone for a specified period of time in exchange for payment

69. The road crew was laying fresh _____ on the highway.

- n.* a black, sticky substance that is used to surface roads, roofs, and other structures made from a mixture of sand, gravel, and a petroleum-based material called bitumen

70. This remote _____ is rarely visited.

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

ANSWERS: 64. privilege, 65. impending, 66. hell, 67. brainstorming, 68. lease, 69. asphalt, 70. spot

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

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

72. GDP per _____ shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.

n. a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone

73. Using public transportation is an _____ way to reduce traffic congestion.

adj. convenient and practical, although possibly improper or immoral; (noun) a means or method that is chosen as the best or most practical way to achieve a particular result; a resource or device used for convenience or advantage

74. 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

75. Visa renewal for _____ foreigners in this country is once every five years.

n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place

76. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.

n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

77. The construction of the new dam will _____ hundreds of families living downstream.

v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

78. All the books in this section _____ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

ANSWERS: 71. violent, 72. capita, 73. expedient, 74. invite, 75. resident, 76. wealth, 77. displace, 78. belong

79. He attempted to _____ the misspelled word.

- v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

80. I underwent aversion _____ for my addiction to alcohol.

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

81. I chose to _____ cancer by trying every possible treatment.

- v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

82. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

- v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

83. The _____ of the famous hero stood proudly in the town square.

- n.* a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way

84. We could hear the _____ of baby birds.

- n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

85. The new coffee shops and high-end boutiques are starting to _____ the neighborhood.

- v.* to renovate, revitalize, or develop a deteriorated, predominantly urban area, often leading to the displacement of low-income or minority residents and the influx of more affluent residents and businesses

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

- adj.* relating to or located in a town or city

ANSWERS: 79. erase, 80. therapy, 81. resist, 82. involves, 83. statue, 84. tweet, 85. gentrify, 86. urban

87. Each ancient tribe has its _____ traditions.

n. the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again

88. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

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

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

90. My computer has been acting _____ recently.

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

91. She took great _____ in her work, always striving for perfection.

n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

92. There was a _____ of impoverished farmers into the towns.

n. the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

93. The _____ suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.

n. a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

94. His _____ of the situation led him to make a poor decision.

n. lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact

95. The _____ time for the flight is 6:00 am.

n. the act of leaving, especially to start a journey

96. His _____ continued to rise as his skills improved.

n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

ANSWERS: 87. healing, 88. desire, 89. commitments, 90. weird, 91. pride, 92. migration, 93. trump, 94. ignorance, 95. departure, 96. wages

97. A _____ back pain interfered with his concentration.

adj. happening or occurring again periodically or repeatedly

98. The author expertly tried to _____ the story's plot and characters.

v. to combine or blend substantive parts or elements; to interlace; to mix or intermingle

99. It was the first time for her, but she _____ the role of Priest.

v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

100. The phrase "big shot" and "important person" are _____.

adj. having the same or a similar meaning as another word or phrase

101. She is a _____ of strength for our team in trouble.

n. a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

102. We have to _____ our company's product lineup for further growth.

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

103. Flooding occurs along the city's _____ due to the storm surge.

n. a line that separates land and sea

104. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

105. We need to add more names to the _____ of candidates for the upcoming election.

n. a flat piece of rock or stone that is typically used as a roofing or flooring material; a list of candidates for an election arranged in a specific order

ANSWERS: 97. recurring, 98. interweave, 99. fulfilled, 100. synonymous, 101. tower, 102. rethink, 103. shoreline, 104. crazy, 105. slate

106. The employee was _____ to a week of vacation time.

- v. to give someone the right to have or do something; to give a title to someone or something

107. When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and _____ at me.

- v. to shout in a sudden and loud way

108. My father's death _____ my life completely.

- v. to change in outward structure or looks;

109. Shame and _____ have significant social influences.

- n. the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong

110. It is important to _____ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

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

111. The _____ of the statue caused much controversy in the community.

- n. the act of taking something away or off from a particular place

112. His estate was _____ to his sons.

- v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

113. The recipient signed the _____ of receipt.

- n. the act of accepting or admitting something, or the fact of being accepted or admitted; recognition or acceptance of the existence or truth of something

ANSWERS: 106. entitled, 107. yelled, 108. transformed, 109. guilt, 110. observe, 111. removal, 112. distributed, 113. acknowledgment

114. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.

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

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

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

116. My father was _____ for so long.

- adj.* not having a job, although able to work

117. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

118. The stone _____ was built to commemorate the war heroes.

- n.* a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event

119. The _____ of the device was immediately apparent to all who saw it.

- n.* the state or quality of being useful or convenient; the service, such as electric power or water or transportation, provided by a public

120. Eating food in a hurry _____ blood glucose levels.

- v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

121. He felt no _____ as the dentist drilled his deadened tooth.

- n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain

122. 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

ANSWERS: 114. environment, 115. diverse, 116. unemployed, 117. Communal, 118. monument, 119. utility, 120. elevates, 121. discomfort, 122. complexity

123. In _____ I wish I had made a different decision.

n. a review or analysis of past events, particularly to gain insight or understanding; a consideration of something that has already occurred or been accomplished

124. The man _____ before opening the door.

v. to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing

125. The president asked for a more _____ plan.

adj. existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement

126. The _____ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

127. Each person has a unique _____ experience.

n. a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies

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

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

129. The cops _____ him of being the killer.

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

130. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

131. The girl _____ a garland for her friend.

v. to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them

ANSWERS: 123. retrospect, 124. paused, 125. concrete, 126. giant, 127. grief, 128. collaborate, 129. suspected, 130. historic, 131. weaves

132. His _____ showed highly positive results.

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

133. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.

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

134. The _____ ocean stretched before them as far as the eye could see.

adj. having no limits; limitless

135. The artist held a _____ to teach students how to paint with watercolors.

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

136. He carefully determined the _____ relations of every piece of the stage set.

adj. of or relating space and the position, area, and size of things

137. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

138. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

139. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.

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

140. 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

ANSWERS: 132. experiments, 133. relations, 134. boundless, 135. workshop, 136. spatial, 137. possibility, 138. identity, 139. recognize, 140. process

141. The judge sentenced him to five years of _____ for embezzlement.
n. the state of being confined in prison or jail
142. He included a _____ from the book in his essay.
n. a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
143. The path to a solid online _____ necessitates a high technical ability.
n. the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
144. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
145. The first two years of her marriage were sheer _____.
n. extreme happiness or joy
146. They regretted the _____ of their restaurant.
n. the situation that a company, organization, etc. has ceased operations permanently
147. I have to _____ my passport by the middle of September.
v. to begin or resume something again after an interruption
148. The residents of the _____ faced poverty and discrimination.
n. an area of a city in which members of a particular group, typically an ethnic minority, usually live in poverty and with a high population density
149. 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: 141. incarceration, 142. quotation, 143. presence, 144. context, 145. bliss, 146. closure, 147. renew, 148. ghetto, 149. develop

150. He _____ that corruption was rampant in the regime.

v. to think or believe something

151. It will take time for her mental scars to _____.

v. to make a wound or injury to become well again

152. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

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

153. The government established by the coup was more _____ than before.

adj. relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions

154. He became _____ after losing his job.

adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets

ANSWERS: 150. reckons, 151. heal, 152. economy, 153. radical, 154. homeless