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Session 1: Word List

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym: abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

crisis

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

synonym: concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management

The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

emotion

n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

synonym: feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**

Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

- drill** *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
synonym: exercise, routine, training
(1) the **drill** hit the well, (2) fire **drill**
Several military **drill** programs have become popular methods of exercise.
- opposition** *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
synonym: resistance, hostility, antagonism
(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**
The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
- crack** *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
synonym: snap, burst, break
(1) **crack** an eggshell, (2) a **crack** in a board
He that would eat the kernel must **crack** the nut.
- 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**.
- echo** *n.* a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff
synonym: reverberate, repeat, reflection
(1) the **echo** of a person's footsteps, (2) sound **echo**
A thunderous boom **echoed** throughout the valley.
- gunfire** *n.* the sound or act of shooting a firearm; the noise created by multiple guns firing at the same time
synonym: gunshots, firing, shooting
(1) lethal **gunfire**, (2) burst of **gunfire**

The journalist heard the sound of **gunfire** while reporting in a war zone.

constant

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

synonym : ceaseless, stable, unchanging

(1) a **constant** wind, (2) a **constant** temperature

Constant dropping wears away the stone.

flash

n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

synonym : sparkle, gleam, glimmer

(1) a **flash** of lightning, (2) brilliant **flash**

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

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.

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.

insensitive

adj. not showing or feeling concern for the needs and feelings of others

synonym : unfeeling, unaware, indifferent

(1) an **insensitive** heart, (2) **insensitive** behavior

His **insensitive** comments made her feel hurt and unimportant.

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.

precious

adj. uncommon and extremely valuable

synonym: adored, cherished, valued

(1) price of **precious** metals, (2) **precious** information

We cannot afford to squander **precious** time.

horrible

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

synonym: dreadful, terrible, awful

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

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

senseless

adj. lacking meaning, purpose, or reason; without sense or sensibility; foolish or irrational

synonym: meaningless, pointless, absurd

(1) **senseless** terror attack, (2) **senseless** slaughter

The **senseless** act of violence left the community in shock and mourning.

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.

humble

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

synonym: modest, unpretentious, abject

(1) a **humble** cottage, (2) **humble** opinion

The nobler, the more **humble**.

engage

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

synonym: confront, employ, amuse

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

(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the

reconstruction of that country.

vulnerable

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

synonym : susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body
Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

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.

eager

adj. showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something

synonym : keen, enthusiastic, ardent

(1) **eager** anticipation, (2) with **eager** eyes
The children were **eager** to start the treasure hunt.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

synonym : example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**
These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

amendment

n. the act or the process of changing something, especially a document or proposed new law

synonym : modification, revision, emendation

(1) constitutional **amendment**, (2) make an **amendment** to a contract
The opposition politicians jointly proposed an **amendment** to that law.

regulate

v. to control something, especially by means of rules or laws

synonym: control, restrain, handle

(1) **regulate** blood sugar levels, (2) **regulate** our conduct

We must manage to **regulate** our expenditure.

militia

n. a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs

synonym: reserves

(1) **militia** groups, (2) armed **militia**

Militia suddenly occupied the presidential palace.

infringe

v. to violate or break a rule, law, or agreement, often by trespassing or infringing on someone else's rights or property

synonym: violate, trespass, breach

(1) **infringe** a copyright, (2) **infringe** on our property

The company promised not to **infringe** on any of its competitor's patents.

government

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

synonym: administration, regime, state

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

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

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

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

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

fast-forward

v. to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording

synonym: advance, hasten, speed up

(1) **fast-forward** 10 seconds, (2) **fast-forward** to the good part

I like to **fast-forward** through commercials when watching TV shows.

union

n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

synonym: alliance, coalition, confederation

(1) bank and credit **unions**, (2) a craft **union**

The trade **union** remained adamant about its demands.

wit

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

synonym: humor, comedy, funniness

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

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

shoddy

adj. of poor quality or artistry; badly made or constructed; inferior or substandard

synonym: inferior, poor quality, substandard

(1) **shoddy** construction, (2) **shoddy** products

The **shoddy** craftsmanship of the new building caused it to start falling apart in just a few months.

marksman

n. a skilled and accurate shooter, especially one who excels in shooting targets or hunting

synonym: sharpshooter, sniper, shooter

(1) **marksman** sniper, (2) skilled **marksman**

The sniper proved an exceptional **marksman**, taking down his targets from a distance.

battlefield

n. a place where a battle or conflict is fought

synonym: warzone, front line, combat area

(1) **battlefield** casualties, (2) tactics on the **battlefield**
The general reviewed the plans for the upcoming battle on the **battlefield**.

attempt

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

synonym: endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**

The third **attempt** was far more successful.

conflict

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

synonym: clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

nation

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

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

rifle

n. a long-barreled firearm designed to be fired from the shoulder, typically with a rifled bore for accuracy

synonym: gun, firearm, weapon

(1) **rifle** barrel, (2) hunting **rifle**

The police discovered a **rifle** case in the suspect's car during their investigation.

association

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

synonym : affiliation, collaboration, society

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

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

promote

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

synonym : boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior

The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

fragile

adj. delicate or easily broken or damaged

synonym : delicate, brittle, breakable

(1) politically **fragile** nation, (2) **fragile** ecosystem

The vase was made of **fragile** ceramic and easily broke when it was dropped.

aim

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

synonym : aspire, direct, target

(1) **aim** at a specific target, (2) **aim** to be a nurse

We **aim** for an overseas expansion.

influence

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

synonym : power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he abdicated.

regulation

n. an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule

synonym : constraint, restriction, rule

(1) a company **regulation**, (2) **regulation** by the

government

The **regulation** approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.

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.

statistics

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

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

interpretation

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

synonym: rendering, explanation, understanding

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

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

pivotal

adj. relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something

synonym: crucial, essential, important

(1) **pivotal** moment, (2) **pivotal** role

The CEO's decision was **pivotal** in the success of the company's expansion plans.

manufacture

v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines

synonym: create, fabricate, assemble

(1) **manufacture** an enzyme, (2) **manufacture** a product

The majority of synthetic vitamins are **manufactured** from oil.

debate

n. a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

synonym: argument, discussion, dispute

(1) **debate** topic, (2) **debate** competition

The **debate** over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

supreme

adj. highest in rank, level, or importance

synonym: foremost, highest, greatest

(1) the **supreme** commander, (2) justice of the **supreme** court

The **supreme** pleasure of life is the conviction that we are loved.

individual

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

synonym: person, being, self

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

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

possess

v. to have or own something or to have as an attribute, knowledge, skill, etc.

synonym: keep, maintain, own

(1) **possess** a basic knowledge, (2) **possess** divine powers

He **possesses** a good sense of humor.

firearm

n. a weapon that is designed to be fired and uses an explosive charge to propel a projectile, such as a bullet or a shell

synonym: gun, weapon

(1) stolen **firearm**, (2) legal **firearms**

I am a responsible **firearm** owner who follows all safety protocols.

disconnect

v. to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment

synonym: unplug, detach, take apart

(1) **disconnect** a plug, (2) **disconnect** the water supply
She finally decided to **disconnect** herself from the company.

traditionally

adv. in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way

synonym: conventionally, commonly, generally

(1) **traditionally** accepted concept, (2) **traditionally** sung at a banquet

Traditionally, the ceremony was held outdoors.

defend

v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

synonym: protect, guard, support

(1) **defend** my country, (2) **defend** against a threat

International law allows each nation to **defend** itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.

striking

adj. attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner

synonym: arresting, astonishing, exceptional

(1) **striking** innovation, (2) **striking** evidence

The two plays have many **striking** parallels.

attitude

n. the way you think and feel about someone or something

synonym: mindset, perspective, philosophy

(1) **attitude** toward mistakes, (2) **attitude** control

She had the **attitude** that work was fun.

incredibly

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

synonym: enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

(1) **incredibly** cheerful character, (2) get **incredibly** insecure

Several cities are experiencing **incredibly** high unemployment rates.

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.

dynamic

adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

synonym: energetic, active, vital

(1) a **dynamic** market, (2) **dynamic** person

The sprinter has a **dynamic** way of running.

accord

n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have

synonym: alliance, pact, agreement

(1) **accord** with public opinion, (2) binational **accord**

The organization finally signed a peace **accord**.

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

county

n. an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division

synonym: district, region, territory

(1) **county** seat, (2) throughout the **county**

The **county's** population has been increasing rapidly in

recent years.

argue

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

synonym : debate, dispute, quarrel

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

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

liability

n. a legal or financial responsibility or obligation

synonym : debt, obligation, responsibility

(1) **liability** insurance, (2) **liability** for military service

The company is facing a potential **liability** of millions of dollars due to the lawsuit.

lawsuit

n. a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered

synonym : suit, legal action, litigation

(1) **lawsuit** settlement, (2) file a **lawsuit**

The company is facing a **lawsuit** for its alleged discrimination against employees.

lobby

n. a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation

synonym : entrance, hall, anteroom

(1) **lobby** for legislation, (2) a hotel **lobby**

That **lobby** group actively advocated environmental protection to the government.

commerce

n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

synonym : trade, transaction, dealings

(1) interstate **commerce**, (2) the local chamber of

commerce

This company has invested heavily in Internet **commerce**.

bipartisan

adj. involving or supported by both of the main political parties in a country

synonym: neutral, impartial, nonpartisan

(1) promote **bipartisan** cooperation, (2) **bipartisan** agreement

The legislation was passed with **bipartisan** support from both parties.

entrust

v. to delegate or assign responsibility or authority to someone else; to put trust or confidence in someone's abilities or judgment

synonym: trust, delegate, hand over

(1) **entrust** with responsibility, (2) **entrust** money to him
I **entrusted** my keys to my neighbor while I was on vacation.

faculty

n. an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge

synonym: capability, talent, aptitude

(1) a member of the **faculty**, (2) the illative **faculty** of the mind

This university's computer science **faculty** is world distinguished.

chain

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

synonym: series, string, link

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

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

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym: guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

estimate

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

synonym: calculate, gauge, evaluate

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

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

lawmaker

n. a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws

synonym: lawgiver, legislator, solon

(1) female **lawmaker**, (2) incumbent **lawmaker**

This company has increased political contributions to federal **lawmakers**.

commonsense

adj. exhibiting sound, practical judgment concerning everyday matters; (noun) a basic ability to perceive, understand, and judge in a manner that nearly all people share

synonym: balanced, pragmatic, judicious

(1) **commonsense** scholarship, (2) **commonsense** reforms
Innovative companies often question **commonsense** practices and break them.

reform

n. the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem

synonym: change, modify, improve

(1) economic **reform**, (2) **reform** movement

The government is proposing a **reform** to the healthcare system to make it more accessible and affordable for all citizens.

attend

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

synonym : go, be present, accompany

(1) **attend** a meeting, (2) **attend** service

We must **attend** to this matter.

argument

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

synonym : debate, discourse, discussion

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

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

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.

struggle

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

synonym : toil, strive, compete

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

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

rigorous

adj. allowing or demanding no deviation from a standard; extremely careful, thorough, or accurate

synonym : severe, exact, strict

(1) **rigorous** standards, (2) have **rigorous** criticism

The way he manages his employees is extremely **rigorous**.

upkeep

n. the process of maintaining something in good condition or ensuring its proper functioning, especially a building, vehicle, or equipment

synonym : maintenance, care, preservation

(1) **upkeep** of a house, (2) equipment **upkeep**

Regular **upkeep** of your car can prolong its lifespan and prevent costly repairs.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym : affecting, impactful, impressive

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

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

well-being

n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

synonym : health, welfare, happiness

(1) the **well-being** of a nation, (2) a sense of **well-being**

We are responsible for the care and **well-being** of all our employees.

suicide

n. the act of killing yourself intentionally

synonym : self-destruction, self-annihilation, felo-de-se

(1) commit **suicide**, (2) **suicide** attack

In an economically prosperous country, most male **suicide** is due to child support problems.

maniac

adj. behaving in an extremely wild or violent way; (noun) a person who is extremely enthusiastic about or devoted to a particular thing

synonym : lunatic, maniacal, mad

(1) **maniac** about things, (2) a homicidal **maniac**

He was a **maniac** for collecting stamps.

psychopath

n. a person with an extreme personality disorder characterized by a lack of empathy, remorse, and ethical values; often associated with manipulative and deceitful behavior, impulsivity, and risk-taking tendencies

synonym : sociopath, antisocial, monster

(1) **psychopath** tendencies, (2) violent **psychopath**

The detective identified the **psychopath** who had been terrorizing the city for months.

sham

n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

synonym : bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**

The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

barrier

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

synonym : border, barricade, fence

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

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

embarrass

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

synonym : disconcert, unsettle, agitate

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

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

racism

n. prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized

synonym : prejudice, discrimination, bias

(1) systemic **racism**, (2) research on anti- **racism**

The school's lack of diversity was a clear indication of the **racism** present in the community.

poverty

n. the condition of being extremely poor

synonym : deprivation, destitution, poorness

(1) **poverty** alleviation, (2) the cycle of **poverty**

Many studies have investigated the relationship between **poverty** and academic achievement.

relate

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

synonym: connect, link, associate

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

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

domestic

adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

synonym: endemic, private, household

(1) **domestic** airline, (2) a **domestic** animal

GDP stands for gross **domestic** product.

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.

on-duty

adj. currently engaged in work or official activities; (noun) the period when a person, such as an employee, officer, or worker, is actively fulfilling their job or role responsibilities

synonym: working, busy, active

(1) **on-duty** accident, (2) **on-duty** security guard

The **on-duty** nurse came quickly to tend to the patient's needs.

tackle

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation

synonym: deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change

The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

discuss

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

synonym: talk about, converse, debate

(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions

We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

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.

analytical

adj. relating to or using analysis (= the process of breaking down a complex system or concept into smaller, simpler parts to understand it better), or able to analyze

synonym: investigative, logical, cogent

(1) **analytical** approach, (2) **analytical** ability

He is **analytical** and can break down complex problems into manageable parts.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

communicate

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

synonym: convey, share, transmit

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

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

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

citizenship

n. the status of being a member of a particular country
synonym : nationality, belonging, residency

(1) dual **citizenship**, (2) **citizenship** rights

Her **citizenship** application was denied due to a technical error.

inspiring

adj. stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
synonym : exhilarating, encouraging, heartening

(1) **inspiring** stories, (2) awe- **inspiring** sight

An **inspiring** teacher might spark students' motivation to succeed.

endeavor

v. to make an earnest attempt or effort; to strive or work hard towards a goal or objective

synonym : attempt, strive, undertake

(1) **endeavor** to succeed, (2) **endeavor** as much as possible

We will **endeavor** to find a solution to the problem as quickly as possible.

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.

spectator

n. someone present at an event, such as a sports game, play, or concert, to watch or observe it

synonym : onlooker, observer, viewer

(1) mass **spectator** sport, (2) **spectator** seat

She enjoyed watching the game as a **spectator**.

brave

adj. showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

synonym: courageous, valiant, heroic

(1) **brave** soldier, (2) **brave** decision

The **brave** firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

sincere

adj. (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful

synonym: earnest, fervent, candid

(1) a **sincere** man, (2) express **sincere** regret

Please accept my **sincere** condolences on your friend's death.

engagement

n. a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

synonym: betrothal, promise, commitment

(1) a prior **engagement**, (2) break off an **engagement**

They selected a gorgeous diamond **engagement** ring.

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.

council

n. a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place

synonym: board, committee, assembly

(1) other **council** members, (2) city **council** election

The city **council** voted to approve the new development project.

legislature

n. a body of elected or appointed representatives who make laws for a country or state

synonym: government, lawmaking group

(1) colonial **legislature**, (2) a prefectural **legislature**

The people elect **legislature** members to represent their interests and make decisions on their behalf.

Congress

n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

synonym: legislature, parliament, assembly

(1) an international **Congress**, (2) peace **Congress**

Congress must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

Session 2: Spelling

1. have ri____us criticism *adj.* allowing or demanding no deviation from a standard; extremely careful, thorough, or accurate
2. in____ge on our property *v.* to violate or break a rule, law, or agreement, often by trespassing or infringing on someone else's rights or property
3. re____m movement *n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem
4. opp____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
5. ea__r anticipation *adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
6. pos____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
7. a hu____e cottage *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
8. a hotel lo__y *n.* a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation
9. ma____an sniper *n.* a skilled and accurate shooter, especially one who excels in shooting targets or hunting

ANSWERS: 1. rigorous, 2. infringe, 3. reform, 4. opposition, 5. eager, 6. possibility, 7. humble, 8. lobby, 9. marksman

10. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
11. psy_____th tendencies *n.* a person with an extreme personality disorder characterized by a lack of empathy, remorse, and ethical values; often associated with manipulative and deceitful behavior, impulsivity, and risk-taking tendencies
12. stolen fi_____m *n.* a weapon that is designed to be fired and uses an explosive charge to propel a projectile, such as a bullet or a shell
13. ana_____al approach *adj.* relating to or using analysis (= the process of breaking down a complex system or concept into smaller, simpler parts to understand it better), or able to analyze
14. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
15. po_____s a basic knowledge *v.* to have or own something or to have as an attribute, knowledge, skill, etc.
16. legal fi_____ms *n.* a weapon that is designed to be fired and uses an explosive charge to propel a projectile, such as a bullet or a shell
17. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
18. financial cr____s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

ANSWERS: 10. violent, 11. psychopath, 12. firearm, 13. analytical, 14. individual, 15. possess, 16. firearm, 17. incredibly, 18. crisis

19. en____t money to him *v.* to delegate or assign responsibility or authority to someone else; to put trust or confidence in someone's abilities or judgment
20. make an am_____nt to a contract *n.* the act or the process of changing something, especially a document or proposed new law
21. the ar_____nt against capital punishment *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
22. sh____y products *adj.* of poor quality or artistry; badly made or constructed; inferior or substandard
23. re_____te blood sugar levels *v.* to control something, especially by means of rules or laws
24. a company reg_____on *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
25. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
26. a_m to be a nurse *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
27. bat_____ld casualties *n.* a place where a battle or conflict is fought
28. do_____ic airline *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
29. tr_____r a biochemical response *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

ANSWERS: 19. entrust, 20. amendment, 21. argument, 22. shoddy, 23. regulate, 24. regulation, 25. statistics, 26. aim, 27. battlefield, 28. domestic, 29. trigger

30. br__e soldier *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
31. incumbent la____er *n.* a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws
32. in_____ng stories *adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
33. the at____t to rescue the hostages *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
34. the int_____ion of history *n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious
35. a scholarship ass_____on *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
36. promote bip_____an cooperation *adj.* involving or supported by both of the main political parties in a country
37. po____s divine powers *v.* to have or own something or to have as an attribute, knowledge, skill, etc.
38. 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: 30. brave, 31. lawmaker, 32. inspiring, 33. attempt, 34. interpretation, 35. association, 36. bipartisan, 37. possess, 38. process

39. li_____ty for military service *n.* a legal or financial responsibility or obligation
40. an international co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
41. cr____s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
42. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
43. pr_____e bad behavior *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
44. an ins_____ve heart *adj.* not showing or feeling concern for the needs and feelings of others
45. at_____de control *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
46. a sense of wel_____ng *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
47. skilled ma_____an *n.* a skilled and accurate shooter, especially one who excels in shooting targets or hunting
48. po_____y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
49. awe-in_____ng sight *adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something

ANSWERS: 39. liability, 40. congress, 41. crisis, 42. conversation, 43. promote, 44. insensitive, 45. attitude, 46. well-being, 47. marksman, 48. poverty, 49. inspiring

50. economic re___m *n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem
51. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
52. man_____re a product *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
53. fas_____ard 10 seconds *v.* to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording
54. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
55. colonial leg_____re *n.* a body of elected or appointed representatives who make laws for a country or state
56. express si_____e regret *adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
57. bank and credit un__ns *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
58. a_m at a specific target *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
59. 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.;

ANSWERS: 50. reform, 51. communal, 52. manufacture, 53. fast-forward, 54. mass, 55. legislature, 56. sincere, 57. union, 58. aim, 59. acknowledge

60. a co_____nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
61. di_____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
62. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
63. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
64. dy_____c person *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
65. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
66. es_____te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
67. de___d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
68. at___d a meeting *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
69. ar___e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

ANSWERS: 60. constant, 61. discuss, 62. colleague, 63. responsible, 64. dynamic, 65. debate, 66. estimate, 67. defend, 68. attend, 69. argue

70. tra_____lly accepted concept *adv.* in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way
71. a co_____nt temperature *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
72. na_____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
73. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
74. afraid to show em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
75. 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
76. commit su_____e *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
77. armed mi_____a *n.* a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs
78. tra_____lly sung at a banquet *adv.* in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way
79. as_____e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 70. traditionally, 71. constant, 72. nation, 73. participate, 74. emotion, 75. process, 76. suicide, 77. militia, 78. traditionally, 79. assume

80. the dr__l hit the well *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
81. in____ge a copyright *v.* to violate or break a rule, law, or agreement, often by trespassing or infringing on someone else's rights or property
82. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
83. notable in____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
84. com_____se scholarship *adj.* exhibiting sound, practical judgment concerning everyday matters; (noun) a basic ability to perceive, understand, and judge in a manner that nearly all people share
85. mass sp_____or sport *n.* someone present at an event, such as a sports game, play, or concert, to watch or observe it
86. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
87. violent psy_____th *n.* a person with an extreme personality disorder characterized by a lack of empathy, remorse, and ethical values; often associated with manipulative and deceitful behavior, impulsivity, and risk-taking tendencies

ANSWERS: 80. drill, 81. infringe, 82. debate, 83. instance, 84. commonsense, 85. spectator, 86. emotional, 87. psychopath

88. pr____us information *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
89. in____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
90. re____e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
91. pi____l role *adj.* relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something
92. the local chamber of co____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
93. ma____c about things *adj.* behaving in an extremely wild or violent way; (noun) a person who is extremely enthusiastic about or devoted to a particular thing
94. the illative fa____y of the mind *n.* an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge
95. throughout the co____y *n.* an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division
96. turn out to be all s__m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

ANSWERS: 88. precious, 89. involve, 90. relate, 91. pivotal, 92. commerce, 93. maniac, 94. faculty, 95. county, 96. sham

97. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
98. dis_____ct a plug *v.* to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment
99. a reckless at_____t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
100. up____p of a house *n.* the process of maintaining something in good condition or ensuring its proper functioning, especially a building, vehicle, or equipment
101. the e__o of a person's footsteps *n.* a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff
102. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
103. give si____t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
104. ins_____ve behavior *adj.* not showing or feeling concern for the needs and feelings of others
105. dis_____ct the water supply *v.* to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment
106. pr_____e a better relationship *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
107. re_____te our conduct *v.* to control something, especially by means of rules or laws

ANSWERS: 97. incredible, 98. disconnect, 99. attempt, 100. upkeep, 101. echo, 102. opposition, 103. silent, 104. insensitive, 105. disconnect, 106. promote, 107. regulate

108. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
109. en_____or as much as possible *v.* to make an earnest attempt or effort; to strive or work hard towards a goal or objective
110. lo__y for legislation *n.* a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation
111. a si_____e man *adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
112. de___d against a threat *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
113. em_____ss political enemy *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
114. constitutional am_____nt *n.* the act or the process of changing something, especially a document or proposed new law
115. a dy_____c market *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
116. in_____ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

ANSWERS: 108. communicate, 109. endeavor, 110. lobby, 111. sincere, 112. defend, 113. embarrass, 114. amendment, 115. dynamic, 116. influence

117. st____ng evidence *adj.* attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner
118. a do____ic animal *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
119. dual cit____ip *n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
120. ta___e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
121. com____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
122. la____t settlement *n.* a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered
123. help ta___e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
124. fas____ard to the good part *v.* to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording
125. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
126. ri___e barrel *n.* a long-barreled firearm designed to be fired from the shoulder, typically with a rifled bore for accuracy

ANSWERS: 117. striking, 118. domestic, 119. citizenship, 120. tackle, 121. communicate, 122. lawsuit, 123. tackle, 124. fast-forward, 125. relate, 126. rifle

127. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
128. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
129. in_____ce the daily life *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
130. burst of gu_____e *n.* the sound or act of shooting a firearm; the noise created by multiple guns firing at the same time
131. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
132. co____y seat *n.* an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division
133. st_____ng innovation *adj.* attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner
134. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
135. file a la_____t *n.* a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered
136. vul_____le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
137. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true

ANSWERS: 127. government, 128. conversation, 129. influence, 130. gunfire, 131. incredible, 132. county, 133. striking, 134. government, 135. lawsuit, 136. vulnerable, 137. possibility

138. the su____e commander *adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
139. ri____us standards *adj.* allowing or demanding no deviation from a standard; extremely careful, thorough, or accurate
140. female la____er *n.* a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws
141. research on anti-ra____m *n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized
142. with ea__r eyes *adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
143. the co____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
144. binational ac____d *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
145. reg____on by the government *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
146. interstate co____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
147. on____y security guard *adj.* currently engaged in work or official activities; (noun) the period when a person, such as an employee, officer, or worker, is actively fulfilling their job or role responsibilities

ANSWERS: 138. supreme, 139. rigorous, 140. lawmaker, 141. racism, 142. eager, 143. conflict, 144. accord, 145. regulation, 146. commerce, 147. on-duty

148. a prefectural leg_____re *n.* a body of elected or appointed representatives who make laws for a country or state
149. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
150. other co_____l members *n.* a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place
151. fr_____e ecosystem *adj.* delicate or easily broken or damaged
152. en_____e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
153. bip_____an agreement *adj.* involving or supported by both of the main political parties in a country
154. price of pr_____us metals *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
155. politically fr_____e nation *adj.* delicate or easily broken or damaged
156. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
157. supply ch__n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
158. li_____ty insurance *n.* a legal or financial responsibility or obligation
159. open to int_____ion *n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious
160. sound e__o *n.* a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff

ANSWERS: 148. legislature, 149. emotional, 150. council, 151. fragile, 152. engage, 153. bipartisan, 154. precious, 155. fragile, 156. individual, 157. chain, 158. liability, 159. interpretation, 160. echo

161. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
162. em____r my life *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
163. cost ba____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
164. cit____ip rights *n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
165. a prior eng____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
166. se____ss terror attack *adj.* lacking meaning, purpose, or reason; without sense or sensibility; foolish or irrational
167. break off an eng____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
168. the w_t of man *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
169. tr____r inflation *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
170. su____e attack *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
171. in____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

ANSWERS: 161. engage, 162. empower, 163. barrier, 164. citizenship, 165. engagement, 166. senseless, 167. engagement, 168. wit, 169. trigger, 170. suicide, 171. involve

172. di_____s solutions
- v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
173. peace co_____ss
- n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
174. on_____y accident
- adj.* currently engaged in work or official activities; (noun) the period when a person, such as an employee, officer, or worker, is actively fulfilling their job or role responsibilities
175. a craft un__n
- n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
176. lethal gu_____e
- n.* the sound or act of shooting a firearm; the noise created by multiple guns firing at the same time
177. information ba_____r
- n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
178. com_____se reforms
- adj.* exhibiting sound, practical judgment concerning everyday matters; (noun) a basic ability to perceive, understand, and judge in a manner that nearly all people share

ANSWERS: 172. discuss, 173. congress, 174. on-duty, 175. union, 176. gunfire, 177. barrier, 178. commonsense

179. city co_____l election *n.* a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place
180. ana_____al ability *adj.* relating to or using analysis (= the process of breaking down a complex system or concept into smaller, simpler parts to understand it better), or able to analyze
181. a vul_____le bridge *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
182. en_____or to succeed *v.* to make an earnest attempt or effort; to strive or work hard towards a goal or objective
183. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
184. a fl__h of lightning *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
185. at_____de toward mistakes *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
186. mi_____a groups *n.* a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs
187. brilliant fl__h *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
188. 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: 179. council, 180. analytical, 181. vulnerable, 182. endeavor, 183. colleague, 184. flash, 185. attitude, 186. militia, 187. flash, 188. acknowledge

189. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
190. br__e decision *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
191. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
192. control my em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
193. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
194. hu___e opinion *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
195. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
196. the cycle of po_____y *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
197. ch__n reaction *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
198. cr__k an eggshell *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
199. systemic ra___m *n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized

ANSWERS: 189. complexity, 190. brave, 191. argument, 192. emotion, 193. responsible, 194. humble, 195. participate, 196. poverty, 197. chain, 198. crack, 199. racism

200. st_____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
201. sp_____or seat *n.* someone present at an event, such as a sports game, play, or concert, to watch or observe it
202. have gr__f and sorrow *n.* a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies
203. justice of the su_____e court *adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
204. em_____r the secretary to do the same *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
205. sh___y construction *adj.* of poor quality or artistry; badly made or constructed; inferior or substandard
206. equipment up___p *n.* the process of maintaining something in good condition or ensuring its proper functioning, especially a building, vehicle, or equipment
207. for in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
208. at___d service *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
209. as___e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
210. ho_____le smell *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

ANSWERS: 200. struggle, 201. spectator, 202. grief, 203. supreme, 204. empower, 205. shoddy, 206. upkeep, 207. instance, 208. attend, 209. assume, 210. horrible

211. word ass_____ons *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
212. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
213. hunting ri__e *n.* a long-barreled firearm designed to be fired from the shoulder, typically with a rifled bore for accuracy
214. tactics on the bat_____ld *n.* a place where a battle or conflict is fought
215. a s__m battle *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
216. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
217. si___t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
218. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
219. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
220. se_____ss slaughter *adj.* lacking meaning, purpose, or reason; without sense or sensibility; foolish or irrational
221. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 211. association, 212. incredibly, 213. rifle, 214. battlefield, 215. sham, 216. statistics, 217. silent, 218. mass, 219. complexity, 220. senseless, 221. communal

222. em_____ss my project *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
223. ar__e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
224. ac___d with public opinion *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
225. a homicidal ma___c *adj.* behaving in an extremely wild or violent way; (noun) a person who is extremely enthusiastic about or devoted to a particular thing
226. the wel_____ng of a nation *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
227. the longstanding co_____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
228. pi_____l moment *adj.* relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something
229. es_____te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
230. fire dr__l *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
231. a cr__k in a board *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

ANSWERS: 222. embarrass, 223. argue, 224. accord, 225. maniac, 226. well-being, 227. conflict, 228. pivotal, 229. estimate, 230. drill, 231. crack

232. st____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
233. vi____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
234. man____re an enzyme *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
235. en____t with responsibility *v.* to delegate or assign responsibility or authority to someone else; to put trust or confidence in someone's abilities or judgment
236. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
237. ho____le accident *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
238. a member of the fa____y *n.* an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge
239. full of w_t *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
240. a lot of gr__f *n.* a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies

ANSWERS: 232. struggle, 233. violent, 234. manufacture, 235. entrust, 236. nation, 237. horrible, 238. faculty, 239. wit, 240. grief

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. This company has increased political contributions to federal _____.
n. a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws
2. He that would eat the kernel must _____ the nut.
v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
3. We ____ for an overseas expansion.
v. to try or plan to get or achieve something
4. The government should do more to _____ sustainable agribusiness.
v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
5. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.
n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
6. We cannot afford to squander _____ time.
adj. uncommon and extremely valuable
7. The organization finally signed a peace _____.
n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.;
(verb) allow to have
8. The two plays have many _____ parallels.
adj. attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner

ANSWERS: 1. lawmakers, 2. crack, 3. aim, 4. promote, 5. emotions, 6. precious, 7. accord, 8. striking

9. He is _____ and can break down complex problems into manageable parts.

adj. relating to or using analysis (= the process of breaking down a complex system or concept into smaller, simpler parts to understand it better), or able to analyze

10. He _____ a good sense of humor.

v. to have or own something or to have as an attribute, knowledge, skill, etc.

11. We _____ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

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

12. The opposition politicians jointly proposed an _____ to that law.

n. the act or the process of changing something, especially a document or proposed new law

13. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

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

14. I like to _____ through commercials when watching TV shows.

v. to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording

15. The _____ firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

adj. showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

16. The general reviewed the plans for the upcoming battle on the _____.

n. a place where a battle or conflict is fought

ANSWERS: 9. analytical, 10. possesses, 11. estimated, 12. amendment, 13. individual, 14. fast-forward, 15. brave, 16. battlefield

17. The way he manages his employees is extremely _____.

adj. allowing or demanding no deviation from a standard; extremely careful, thorough, or accurate

18. Several military _____ programs have become popular methods of exercise.

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

19. The detective identified the _____ who had been terrorizing the city for months.

n. a person with an extreme personality disorder characterized by a lack of empathy, remorse, and ethical values; often associated with manipulative and deceitful behavior, impulsivity, and risk-taking tendencies

20. _____ dropping wears away the stone.

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

21. She enjoyed watching the game as a _____.

n. someone present at an event, such as a sports game, play, or concert, to watch or observe it

22. They selected a gorgeous diamond _____ ring.

n. a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

23. His membership in the _____ provided him with numerous benefits.

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

24. She had the _____ that work was fun.

n. the way you think and feel about someone or something

ANSWERS: 17. rigorous, 18. drill, 19. psychopath, 20. Constant, 21. spectator, 22. engagement, 23. association, 24. attitude

25. These heavy rains caused _____ floods on several islands.
n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
26. Each person has a unique _____ experience.
n. a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies
27. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.
n. a chance that something may happen or be true
28. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
29. Please accept my _____ condolences on your friend's death.
adj. (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
30. I _____ my keys to my neighbor while I was on vacation.
v. to delegate or assign responsibility or authority to someone else; to put trust or confidence in someone's abilities or judgment
31. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.
v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
32. This company has invested heavily in Internet _____.
n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
33. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.
n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

ANSWERS: 25. flash, 26. grief, 27. possibility, 28. relate, 29. sincere, 30. entrusted, 31. communicate, 32. commerce, 33. conflicts,

34. The majority of synthetic vitamins are _____ from oil.
v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
35. The trade _____ remained adamant about its demands.
n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
36. We must _____ to this matter.
v. to be present at an event, to go to a place
37. The experience was _____ and left a lasting impression.
adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
38. 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.;
39. That _____ group actively advocated environmental protection to the government.
n. a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation
40. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
41. The incident _____ a political controversy.
v. to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

ANSWERS: 34. manufactured, 35. union, 36. attend, 37. horrible, 38. acknowledged, 39. lobby, 40. tackle, 41. triggered

42. 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
43. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
- adj.* relating to people's feelings
44. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.
- adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
45. The government is proposing a _____ to the healthcare system to make it more accessible and affordable for all citizens.
- n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem
46. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.
- adj.* unbelievable; enormous
47. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.
- adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
48. A thunderous boom _____ throughout the valley.
- n.* a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff
49. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
- v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

ANSWERS: 42. involves, 43. emotional, 44. incredibly, 45. reform, 46. incredible, 47. vulnerable, 48. echoed, 49. engaged

50. Innovative companies often question _____ practices and break them.
adj. exhibiting sound, practical judgment concerning everyday matters; (noun) a basic ability to perceive, understand, and judge in a manner that nearly all people share
51. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
52. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.
v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
53. The company is facing a _____ for its alleged discrimination against employees.
n. a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered
54. The journalist heard the sound of _____ while reporting in a war zone.
n. the sound or act of shooting a firearm; the noise created by multiple guns firing at the same time
55. The nobler, the more _____.
adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
56. I am a responsible _____ owner who follows all safety protocols.
n. a weapon that is designed to be fired and uses an explosive charge to propel a projectile, such as a bullet or a shell

ANSWERS: 50. commonsense, 51. discuss, 52. argue, 53. lawsuit, 54. gunfire, 55. humble, 56. firearm

57. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
58. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.
n. a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
59. The vase was made of _____ ceramic and easily broke when it was dropped.
adj. delicate or easily broken or damaged
60. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
61. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
62. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
63. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.
n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
64. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.
adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

ANSWERS: 57. nation, 58. debate, 59. fragile, 60. government, 61. mass, 62. statistics, 63. influence, 64. violent

65. _____ the ceremony was held outdoors.

adv. in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way

66. 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

67. The _____ nurse came quickly to tend to the patient's needs.

adj. currently engaged in work or official activities; (noun) the period when a person, such as an employee, officer, or worker, is actively fulfilling their job or role responsibilities

68. The police discovered a _____ case in the suspect's car during their investigation.

n. a long-barreled firearm designed to be fired from the shoulder, typically with a rifled bore for accuracy

69. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

70. The _____ population has been increasing rapidly in recent years.

n. an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division

71. The legislation was passed with _____ support from both parties.

adj. involving or supported by both of the main political parties in a country

72. The data he prepared was completely _____.

n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

ANSWERS: 65. Traditionally, 66. colleague, 67. on-duty, 68. rifle, 69. Communal, 70. county's, 71. bipartisan, 72. sham

73. We will _____ to find a solution to the problem as quickly as possible.
- v.* to make an earnest attempt or effort; to strive or work hard towards a goal or objective
74. She finally decided to _____ herself from the company.
- v.* to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment
75. The school's lack of diversity was a clear indication of the _____ present in the community.
- n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized
76. The city _____ voted to approve the new development project.
- n.* a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place
77. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.
- n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
78. He was a _____ for collecting stamps.
- adj.* behaving in an extremely wild or violent way; (noun) a person who is extremely enthusiastic about or devoted to a particular thing
79. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
80. The company is facing a potential _____ of millions of dollars due to the lawsuit.
- n.* a legal or financial responsibility or obligation

ANSWERS: 73. endeavor, 74. disconnect, 75. racism, 76. council, 77. instances, 78. maniac, 79. conversation, 80. liability

81. His _____ comments made her feel hurt and unimportant.
adj. not showing or feeling concern for the needs and feelings of others
82. An _____ teacher might spark students' motivation to succeed.
adj. stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
83. He could not _____ against temptation.
v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
84. We are responsible for the care and _____ of all our employees.
n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
85. 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
86. The sniper proved an exceptional _____ taking down his targets from a distance.
n. a skilled and accurate shooter, especially one who excels in shooting targets or hunting
87. In an economically prosperous country, most male _____ is due to child support problems.
n. the act of killing yourself intentionally
88. He has the ____ to keep talking about this topic.
n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

ANSWERS: 81. insensitive, 82. inspiring, 83. struggle, 84. well-being, 85. empowered, 86. marksman, 87. suicide, 88. wit

89. He looked for an opportunity to _____ that actor in public.
v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
90. The _____ act of violence left the community in shock and mourning.
adj. lacking meaning, purpose, or reason; without sense or sensibility; foolish or irrational
91. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
92. His _____ of literary works are often unique.
n. an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious
93. The CEO's decision was _____ in the success of the company's expansion plans.
adj. relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something
94. _____ suddenly occupied the presidential palace.
n. a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs
95. The _____ approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.
n. an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
96. Her _____ application was denied due to a technical error.
n. the status of being a member of a particular country

ANSWERS: 89. embarrass, 90. senseless, 91. crisis, 92. interpretations, 93. pivotal, 94. Militia, 95. regulation, 96. citizenship

97. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
- n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
98. International law allows each nation to _____ itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.
- v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
99. The police placed a _____ across the street to halt traffic.
- n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
100. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
- adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
101. The company promised not to _____ on any of its competitor's patents.
- v.* to violate or break a rule, law, or agreement, often by trespassing or infringing on someone else's rights or property
102. The _____ pleasure of life is the conviction that we are loved.
- adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
103. The _____ craftsmanship of the new building caused it to start falling apart in just a few months.
- adj.* of poor quality or artistry; badly made or constructed; inferior or substandard
104. 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: 97. opposition, 98. defend, 99. barrier, 100. responsible, 101. infringe, 102. supreme, 103. shoddy, 104. complexity

105. Many studies have investigated the relationship between _____ and academic achievement.
- n.* the condition of being extremely poor
106. _____ must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.
- n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
107. The people elect _____ members to represent their interests and make decisions on their behalf.
- n.* a body of elected or appointed representatives who make laws for a country or state
108. The children were _____ to start the treasure hunt.
- adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
109. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
110. 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
111. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.
- n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

ANSWERS: 105. poverty, 106. Congress, 107. legislature, 108. eager, 109. assumes, 110. process, 111. argument

112. The third _____ was far more successful.

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

113. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.

v. to take part in something

114. GDP stands for gross _____ product.

adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

115. The _____ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

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

116. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.

adj. without any or little sound

117. We must manage to _____ our expenditure.

v. to control something, especially by means of rules or laws

118. The sprinter has a _____ way of running.

adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

119. Regular _____ of your car can prolong its lifespan and prevent costly repairs.

n. the process of maintaining something in good condition or ensuring its proper functioning, especially a building, vehicle, or equipment

ANSWERS: 112. attempt, 113. participated, 114. domestic, 115. chain, 116. silent, 117. regulate, 118. dynamic, 119. upkeep

120. This university's computer science _____ is world distinguished.

- n.* an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge

ANSWERS: 120. faculty