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Session 1: Word List

alley

n. a narrow lane or way between buildings, often used as a passage or a shortcut; a small street that runs between two other streets

synonym : lane, passage, pathway

(1) back **alley**, (2) **alley** cat

They played basketball in the **alley** behind their house.

burglar

n. a person who unlawfully enters a building or other property to steal or commit another crime

synonym : thief, robber, intruder

(1) ex-convict **burglar**, (2) caught the **burglar**

The skilled **burglar** bypassed the alarm system and entered the house without making a sound.

arcade

n. a covered passageway or walkway, often lined with shops or restaurants; a series of arches supported by columns; a type of video game in which the player controls a character moving through a series of levels and obstacles

synonym : gallery, colonnade, passageway

(1) **arcade** games, (2) colonnaded **arcade**

The public **arcade** was filled with the sound of children laughing and playing games.

grab

v. to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way

synonym : clutch, snatch, grasp

(1) **grab** an audience, (2) **grab** an opportunity

Shall we **grab** a bite to eat?

fence

n. a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property

synonym : barrier, wall, hedge

(1) **fence** post, (2) a brushwood **fence**

She planted a hedge to serve as a natural **fence** around her garden.

quarter

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

synonym : fourth, one-fourth

(1) a **quarter** mile, (2) end of the first **quarter**

The unemployment rate in the first **quarter** was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

punk

n. a type of a loud, fast-moving, and aggressive form of rock music originating in the 1970s; an aggressive and violent young man or boy

synonym : hoodlum, bully, thug

(1) **punk** rock, (2) clothes of the **punk** style

We are never intimidated when dealing with young **punks**.

juvenile

adj. relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature

synonym : youthful, boyish, childlike

(1) exhibit **juvenile** behavior, (2) **juvenile** justice

The detective suspected that the vandalism was the work of **juvenile** delinquents.

release

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

synonym : free, let go, discharge

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

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

custody

n. the state of being physically responsible for something or someone, especially a child; a state of being confined, usually for a short time

synonym : guardianship, care, detention

(1) take a person into **custody**, (2) **custody** arrangement
After a lengthy court battle, the child's **custody** was granted to the father.

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?

immediate

adj. happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else

synonym : prompt, quick, instantaneous

(1) take **immediate** effect, (2) the **immediate** past
Both forts were subject to **immediate** attacks.

addict

n. a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful

synonym : devotee, buff, freak

(1) a drug **addict**, (2) Internet **addict**
We have become TV **addicts** due to video streaming services.

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.

cocaine

n. a highly addictive stimulant drug that is derived from the leaves of the coca plant, often used recreationally for its euphoric effects but also used in medicine as a local anesthetic and vasoconstrictor

synonym : narcotic, coke, snow

(1) powder **cocaine**, (2) **cocaine** overdose

The drug dealer was arrested for possession of **cocaine**.

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**.

consist

v. to be composed or made up of

synonym : lie in, comprise, exist

(1) **consist** mainly of cells, (2) **consist** only in knowing facts

This examination **consists** of five problems to solve.

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.

shelter

n. a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack:

synonym : refuge, hideout, lair

(1) rainproof **shelter**, (2) anti-air raid **shelter**

They need food and **shelter**.

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.

engineer

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

synonym: architect, creator, builder

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

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

illiterate

adj. unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing

synonym: unlettered, uneducated, unschooled

(1) **illiterate** population, (2) computer- **illiterate**

Despite attending school, he remained **illiterate** and unable to read or write.

robbery

n. the taking of property or money from a person, business, or institution by force, threat, or intimidation; a crime that involves theft or stealing

synonym: theft, larceny, burglary

(1) armed **robbery**, (2) petty **robbery**

The convenience store was the scene of a **robbery** last night.

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.

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.

needle

n. a thin, pointed object typically used for sewing or medical purposes; a metal or plastic instrument used for administering injections or drawing blood

synonym: thorn, spike, pin

(1) **needle** prick, (2) sewing **needle**

The acupuncturist inserted **needles** into specific points on my body to alleviate my pain.

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.

slave

n. a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person

synonym: captive, bondservant, hard worker

(1) a **slave** of drink, (2) a **slave** trader

You should work hard but not be a **slave** to it.

arrest

v. to take into custody

synonym: capture, detain, imprison

(1) **arrest** the thief, (2) **arrest** the progress

A police officer has the authority to **arrest** a criminal.

murder

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

synonym: slaying, killing

(1) **murder** in the second degree, (2) attempted **murder**

This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

synonym : banking, investment, fund

(1) **finance** act, (2) manage my **finances**

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in **finance**.

cellmate

n. a person with whom one shares a prison cell or room

synonym : inmate, fellow prisoner, cell partner

(1) **cellmate** relationship, (2) temporary **cellmate**

The prisoner requested a transfer to a different **cellmate** due to conflicts.

accidentally

adv. by chance or without planning

synonym : by chance, unintentionally, unwittingly

(1) they met **accidentally**, (2) **accidentally** coincide

He was **accidentally** killed by friendly fire.

sect

n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

synonym : group, faction, cult

(1) **sect** beliefs, (2) secret **sect**

The minority **sect** believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

youngster

n. a young person, typically a child or teenager; a creature that is still in its youth or early stages of development

synonym : child, youth, adolescent

(1) **youngster** education, (2) teenage **youngster**

The little **youngster** couldn't wait to open their birthday presents.

folk

n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

synonym : community, family, person

(1) **folk** art, (2) the **folk** songs of a particular district

Some seaweed was used as **folk** medicine in ancient times.

glimpse

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

synonym : glance, peek, sighting

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

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

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.

trap

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

synonym : catch, snare, pinfall

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

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

cage

n. a structure made of metal bars or wire in which birds or animals can be kept

synonym : enclosure, jail, corral

(1) an insect **cage**, (2) a bird in a **cage**

The trapped bear is running amok in its **cage**.

prey

n. the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating

synonym : target, quarry, chase

(1) **prey** of beast, (2) become **prey** to terrorists

The majority of snakes swallow their **prey** whole.

predator

n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
synonym : vulture, bloodsucker

(1) apex **predator**, (2) sexual **predators**

The native South American animals were in danger because of the **predator's** arrival.

agon

n. a contest or competition, typically one in which participants exert themselves physically or mentally to achieve victory or surpass others

synonym : struggle, conflict, fight

(1) emotional **agon**, (2) an **agon** of creativity

The weightlifting competition brought together athletes from different countries for an international **agon**.

ostracize

v. to exclude someone from a group or society by general consent; to avoid speaking to or dealing with intentionally

synonym : exclude, shun, isolate

(1) **ostracize** individual, (2) **ostracize** group

His peers **ostracized** him for his controversial beliefs.

rough

adj. not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface

synonym : inelegant, coarse, barbarian

(1) **rough** and tough, (2) **rough** estimation

The vehicle bounced along the **rough** mountain road.

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.

discipline

n. the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a

region of activity, knowledge, or influence

synonym : training, restraint, field

(1) break **discipline**, (2) rigid **discipline**

He quickly learned the military **discipline**.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym : thrill, exhilarate, animate

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

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

wrap

v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

synonym : surround, cover, bandage

(1) **wrap** a fish in foil, (2) **wrap** up a meeting

Wrap the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

logo

n. a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials

synonym : emblem, symbol, crest

(1) **logo** design, (2) brand **logo**

The company's **logo** was on the side of the building.

awesome

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

synonym : miraculous, marvelous, astounding

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

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

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.

confident

adj. feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future

synonym : certain, sure, convinced

(1) feel **confident**, (2) a **confident** remark

I'm not **confident** in our victory.

fin

n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

synonym : flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

invest

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

synonym : fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

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.

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.

commit

v. to do something illegal or wrong

synonym : engage, carry out, execute

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

The military has **committed** an abuse of human rights.

curriculum

n. a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.

synonym : program, syllabus, course of study

(1) a **curriculum** vitae, (2) an academic **curriculum**

A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the **curriculum**.

incarcerate

v. to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape

synonym : confine, detain, imprison

(1) **incarcerate** the murderer, (2) **incarcerate** her for life

He was **incarcerated** for the duration of the war.

employ

v. to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of

synonym : hire, engage, use

(1) **employ** job seekers, (2) **employ** a new method

When making arrests, police officers frequently **employ** excessive force.

prop

n. a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

synonym : support, buttress, column

(1) emotional **prop**, (2) **prop** stick

We have finally lost our last **prop**.

transfer

v. to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another

synonym : move, relocate, shift

(1) **transfer** a file, (2) **transfer** power

She **transferred** the money from her savings account to her

checking account.

discovery

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

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

marital

adj. of or relating to marriage

synonym: wedded, connubial, matrimonial

(1) **marital** fidelity, (2) affect **marital** relations

More and more people are utilizing counselors to help resolve their **marital** problems.

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.

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.

screw

v. to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together

synonym: tighten, fix, secure

(1) **screw** the cap, (2) a female **screw**

He had to **screw** the loose knob back onto the cabinet door.

obligation

n. the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something

synonym : burden, commitment, debt

(1) a deep **obligation**, (2) pay an **obligation**

You are under no **obligation** to finish the job.

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.

disease

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

synonym : illness, ailment, affliction

(1) **disease** prevention, (2) **disease** control

The doctor diagnosed him with a rare **disease** that had no known cure.

cripple

v. to cause severe damage or injury that greatly impairs someone's ability to function or move; to weaken or undermine

synonym : disable, impair, paralyze

(1) **cripple** economy, (2) **cripple** opposition

The injury was severe enough to **cripple** the athlete's chances of playing again this season.

furious

adj. extremely angry; full of rage

synonym : angry, rageful, livid

(1) **furious** anger, (2) a **furious** sea

The coach was **furious** with the players for their lack of effort during the game.

prosperity

n. the state of being successful and having the good fortune

synonym : affluence, accomplishment, capital

(1) economic **prosperity**, (2) **prosperity** of humankind

This war shattered dreams of peace and **prosperity**.

transport

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

synonym: shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**

Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

epidemic

n. the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time

synonym: outbreak, contagion, plague

(1) a worldwide **epidemic**, (2) health **epidemic**

The disease is now reaching **epidemic** proportions in our country.

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**.

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.

fraud

n. the crime of gaining money or financial benefits by deceiving people; a person who makes deceitful pretenses

synonym: trickery, deceit, blackmail

(1) get money by **fraud**, (2) victim of **fraud**

The police arrested them for committing insurance **fraud**.

larceny

n. the unlawful or unauthorized taking and carrying away of someone else's personal property with the intent to deprive them of it permanently; theft

synonym : theft, robbery, stealing

(1) grand **larceny**, (2) commit **larceny**

The suspect was charged with **larceny** for stealing valuable artwork.

extortion

n. the act of obtaining something, often money, through force, threats, or coercion

synonym : blackmail, coercion, shakedown

(1) **extortion** letter, (2) **extortion** scheme

In this era of cybercrime, digital **extortion** is becoming increasingly common, with hackers demanding ransoms to unlock encrypted files.

typical

adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

synonym : characteristic, usual, distinctive

(1) **typical** leader, (2) fairly **typical** symptoms

This artwork is **typical** of her work.

expense

n. the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something

synonym : cost, expenditure, outlay

(1) enormous **expenses**, (2) **expense** account

For this project to be successful, we must control **expenses** strictly.

parole

n. the conditional release of a prisoner before the completion of a sentence on the promise of good behavior

synonym : probation, conditional release, supervised release

(1) **parole** board, (2) medical **parole**

The prisoner was granted **parole** after serving 20 years of his life sentence.

preparation

n. the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready

synonym: practice, trial, rehearsal

(1) a **preparation** program, (2) the **preparation** of meals

He helped me with the **preparation** of this book.

criminal

n. a person who has committed a crime

synonym: offender, lawbreaker, delinquent

(1) wanted **criminal**, (2) **criminal** investigation

The police are searching for the **criminal** who stole the jewels.

taxpayer

n. a person who pays taxes to the government

synonym: contributor, payer, financier

(1) **taxpayer** money, (2) delinquent **taxpayer**

As a **taxpayer**, he felt his money was wasted on unnecessary government projects.

cofounder

n. one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

(1) **cofounder** of the university, (2) late **cofounder**

He is the **cofounder** and chairman of this tech company.

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.

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.

literacy

n. the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively

synonym: education, reading, writing

(1) digital **literacy**, (2) financial **literacy**

Many charities focus on improving **literacy** rates in underprivileged communities.

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

synonym: disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

decision

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

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

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

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

timeless

adj. not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion

synonym: dateless, everlasting, imperishable

(1) **timeless** masterpiece, (2) **timeless** topic

There is a **timeless** aspect to his most remarkable work.

diversify

v. to make something include more different types or things; to spread out activities or investments

synonym: branch out, expand, broaden

(1) **diversify** my portfolio, (2) **diversify** energy sources

This inclusive environment has allowed the plant species to **diversify**.

rehabilitate

v. to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period

of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

synonym : reform, restore, renovate

(1) **rehabilitate** prisoners, (2) **rehabilitate** wildlife

The organization works to **rehabilitate** drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym : completely, utterly, definitely

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

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

ridiculous

adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at

synonym : absurd, fatuous, foolish

(1) a **ridiculous** amount of money, (2) a **ridiculous** suggestion

Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as **ridiculous** but was later proven correct.

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.

stability

n. the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast

synonym : resilience, solidity, steadiness

(1) **stability** pact, (2) fiscal **stability** pact

The policy should increase the country's monetary **stability**.

byproduct

n. a secondary or incidental product produced in the manufacture or synthesis of something else

synonym : side effect, spinoff, outgrowth

(1) toxic **byproducts**, (2) **byproduct** of technology

The **byproduct** of the energy production process is a large amount of carbon dioxide emissions.

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.

anxiety

n. a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future

synonym: concern, dread, agita

(1) diagnosis of **anxiety** disorder, (2) **anxiety** for knowledge

She waited for her daughter with **anxiety**.

nonsense

n. an idea, behavior, or something spoken or written that has no meaning or makes no sense or that is silly or unacceptable

synonym: ludicrousness, gabble, absurdity

(1) talk **nonsense**, (2) sheer **nonsense**

The parents spoke to their children in no- **nonsense** tones.

crippling

adj. causing someone to become unable to walk or move; causing severe damage or harm

synonym: harmful, damaging, catastrophic

(1) **crippling** debt, (2) a **crippling** strike

He is still struggling with a **crippling** disease.

AI

n. (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation

synonym: robot, machine learning, neural network

(1) **AI** expert, (2) apply **AI** technology to art

The evolution of processors has dramatically improved the performance of **AI**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. computer-ill_____te *adj.* unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing
2. a bird in a c__e *n.* a structure made of metal bars or wire in which birds or animals can be kept
3. em___y a new method *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
4. ar___e games *n.* a covered passageway or walkway, often lined with shops or restaurants; a series of arches supported by columns; a type of video game in which the player controls a character moving through a series of levels and obstacles
5. access to public tr____rt *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
6. financial li____cy *n.* the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively
7. Internet ad____t *n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
8. a female sc__w *v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together
9. co____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 1. illiterate, 2. cage, 3. employ, 4. arcade, 5. transport, 6. literacy, 7. addict, 8. screw, 9. communal

10. apply AI technology to art *n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation
11. exhibit ju_____le behavior *adj.* relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature
12. an a__n of creativity *n.* a contest or competition, typically one in which participants exert themselves physically or mentally to achieve victory or surpass others
13. cr__t manufacture *n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
14. g__b an opportunity *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
15. di_____e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
16. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
17. delinquent ta_____er *n.* a person who pays taxes to the government
18. late co_____er *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

ANSWERS: 10. AI, 11. juvenile, 12. agon, 13. craft, 14. grab, 15. disease, 16. statistics, 17. taxpayer, 18. cofounder

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| 19. 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 |
| 20. colonnaded ar____e | <i>n.</i> a covered passageway or walkway, often lined with shops or restaurants; a series of arches supported by columns; a type of video game in which the player controls a character moving through a series of levels and obstacles |
| 21. ex_____on letter | <i>n.</i> the act of obtaining something, often money, through force, threats, or coercion |
| 22. a drug ad____t | <i>n.</i> a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful |
| 23. toxic by____cts | <i>n.</i> a secondary or incidental product produced in the manufacture or synthesis of something else |
| 24. rainproof sh____r | <i>n.</i> a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack: |
| 25. su____e beforehand | <i>v.</i> to think that something is likely to be actual or possible |
| 26. cr____e opposition | <i>v.</i> to cause severe damage or injury that greatly impairs someone's ability to function or move; to weaken or undermine |
| 27. ex____e account | <i>n.</i> the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something |

ANSWERS: 19. develop, 20. arcade, 21. extortion, 22. addict, 23. byproduct, 24. shelter, 25. suppose, 26. cripple, 27. expense

28. in___t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
29. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
30. p__p stick *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
31. ma_____l fidelity *adj.* of or relating to marriage
32. a brushwood fe__e *n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property
33. mu___r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
34. em_____r the secretary to do the same *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
35. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
36. back al__y *n.* a narrow lane or way between buildings, often used as a passage or a shortcut; a small street that runs between two other streets
37. 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

ANSWERS: 28. invest, 29. separate, 30. prop, 31. marital, 32. fence, 33. murder, 34. empower, 35. environment, 36. alley, 37. crack

38. a deep obl_____on *n.* the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
39. em_____r my life *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
40. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
41. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
42. a co_____nt remark *adj.* feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future
43. fu_____s anger *adj.* extremely angry; full of rage
44. os_____ze individual *v.* to exclude someone from a group or society by general consent; to avoid speaking to or dealing with intentionally
45. ne___e prick *n.* a thin, pointed object typically used for sewing or medical purposes; a metal or plastic instrument used for administering injections or drawing blood
46. inc_____te her for life *v.* to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape
47. diagnosis of an_____y disorder *n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future
48. ex-convict bu_____r *n.* a person who unlawfully enters a building or other property to steal or commit another crime

ANSWERS: 38. obligation, 39. empower, 40. absolutely, 41. amazing, 42. confident, 43. furious, 44. ostracize, 45. needle, 46. incarcerate, 47. anxiety, 48. burglar

49. su____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
50. ro__h estimation *adj.* not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface
51. fe__e post *n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property
52. manage my fi____es *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
53. re____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
54. sexual pr____ors *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
55. the pre____on of meals *n.* the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready
56. fiscal st____ty pact *n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
57. em____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
58. a cr____ng strike *adj.* causing someone to become unable to walk or move; causing severe damage or harm
59. di____fy energy sources *v.* to make something include more different types or things; to spread out activities or investments

ANSWERS: 49. suppose, 50. rough, 51. fence, 52. finance, 53. release, 54. predator, 55. preparation, 56. stability, 57. emotional, 58. crippling, 59. diversify

60. talk no____se *n.* an idea, behavior, or something spoken or written that has no meaning or makes no sense or that is silly or unacceptable
61. tr____er a file *v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
62. cognitive com____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
63. w__p a fish in foil *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
64. sheer no____se *n.* an idea, behavior, or something spoken or written that has no meaning or makes no sense or that is silly or unacceptable
65. p__y of beast *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
66. ar____t the thief *v.* to take into custody
67. ty____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
68. res____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
69. a sl__e trader *n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person
70. economic pro____ty *n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune

ANSWERS: 60. nonsense, 61. transfer, 62. complexity, 63. wrap, 64. nonsense, 65. prey, 66. arrest, 67. typical, 68. responsible, 69. slave, 70. prosperity

71. a qu____r mile *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
72. an____y for knowledge *n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future
73. chaotic env____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
74. end of the first qu____r *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
75. health ep____ic *n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
76. di____fy my portfolio *v.* to make something include more different types or things; to spread out activities or investments
77. l__o design *n.* a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials
78. in____ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
79. digital li____cy *n.* the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively
80. reh____ate wildlife *v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

ANSWERS: 71. quarter, 72. anxiety, 73. environment, 74. quarter, 75. epidemic, 76. diversify, 77. logo, 78. influence, 79. literacy, 80. rehabilitate

81. acc_____lly coincide *adv.* by chance or without planning
82. os_____ze group *v.* to exclude someone from a group or society by general consent; to avoid speaking to or dealing with intentionally
83. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
84. brand l__o *n.* a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials
85. caught the bu_____r *n.* a person who unlawfully enters a building or other property to steal or commit another crime
86. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
87. powder co_____e *n.* a highly addictive stimulant drug that is derived from the leaves of the coca plant, often used recreationally for its euphoric effects but also used in medicine as a local anesthetic and vasoconstrictor
88. reh_____ate prisoners *v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
89. ar____t the progress *v.* to take into custody
90. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

ANSWERS: 81. accidentally, 82. ostracize, 83. amazing, 84. logo, 85. burglar, 86. emotional, 87. cocaine, 88. rehabilitate, 89. arrest, 90. engineer

91. al__y cat *n.* a narrow lane or way between buildings, often used as a passage or a shortcut; a small street that runs between two other streets
92. rigid dis_____ne *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence
93. tr_____er power *v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
94. take a person into cu_____y *n.* the state of being physically responsible for something or someone, especially a child; a state of being confined, usually for a short time
95. cr_____al investigation *n.* a person who has committed a crime
96. passing gl_____e *n.* a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly
97. em____y job seekers *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
98. cu_____y arrangement *n.* the state of being physically responsible for something or someone, especially a child; a state of being confined, usually for a short time
99. affect ma_____l relations *adj.* of or relating to marriage
100. inc_____te the murderer *v.* to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape

ANSWERS: 91. alley, 92. discipline, 93. transfer, 94. custody, 95. criminal, 96. glimpse, 97. employ, 98. custody, 99. marital, 100. incarcerate

101. fi_____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
102. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
103. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
104. take im_____te effect *adj.* happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else
105. temporary ce_____te *n.* a person with whom one shares a prison cell or room
106. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
107. co_____t mainly of cells *v.* to be composed or made up of
108. co___t suicide *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
109. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
110. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
111. di_____e prevention *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

ANSWERS: 101. finance, 102. individual, 103. excite, 104. immediate, 105. cellmate, 106. excite, 107. consist, 108. commit, 109. discovery, 110. decision, 111. disease

112. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
113. they met acc_____lly *adv.* by chance or without planning
114. a civil en_____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
115. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
116. in____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
117. grand la_____y *n.* the unlawful or unauthorized taking and carrying away of someone else's personal property with the intent to deprive them of it permanently; theft
118. attempted mu____r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
119. secret s__t *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
120. a rid_____us amount of money *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
121. a ho_____ss cat *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
122. ho_____ss shelter *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
123. 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

ANSWERS: 112. crazy, 113. accidentally, 114. engineer, 115. separate, 116. invest, 117. larceny, 118. murder, 119. sect, 120. ridiculous, 121. homeless, 122. homeless, 123. hell

124. pa___e board *n.* the conditional release of a prisoner before the completion of a sentence on the promise of good behavior
125. have an aw_____e birthday *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
126. yo_____er education *n.* a young person, typically a child or teenager; a creature that is still in its youth or early stages of development
127. ti_____ss topic *adj.* not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion
128. f__k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
129. cr_____e economy *v.* to cause severe damage or injury that greatly impairs someone's ability to function or move; to weaken or undermine
130. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
131. a cur_____um vitae *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
132. co_____e overdose *n.* a highly addictive stimulant drug that is derived from the leaves of the coca plant, often used recreationally for its euphoric effects but also used in medicine as a local anesthetic and vasoconstrictor
133. a rid_____us suggestion *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
134. tr_____rt facilities *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

ANSWERS: 124. parole, 125. awesome, 126. youngster, 127. timeless, 128. folk, 129. cripple, 130. individual, 131. curriculum, 132. cocaine, 133. ridiculous, 134. transport

135. clothes of the p__k style *n.* a type of a loud, fast-moving, and aggressive form of rock music originating in the 1970s; an aggressive and violent young man or boy
136. emotional p__p *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
137. ta_____er money *n.* a person who pays taxes to the government
138. pay an obl_____on *n.* the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
139. re_____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
140. p__k rock *n.* a type of a loud, fast-moving, and aggressive form of rock music originating in the 1970s; an aggressive and violent young man or boy
141. in_____ce the daily life *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
142. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
143. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
144. ex_____on scheme *n.* the act of obtaining something, often money, through force, threats, or coercion

ANSWERS: 135. punk, 136. prop, 137. taxpayer, 138. obligation, 139. release, 140. punk, 141. influence, 142. responsible, 143. absolutely, 144. extortion

145. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
146. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
147. strong and co_____ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
148. an insect c__e *n.* a structure made of metal bars or wire in which birds or animals can be kept
149. g__b an audience *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
150. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
151. enormous ex_____es *n.* the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
152. armed ro_____y *n.* the taking of property or money from a person, business, or institution by force, threat, or intimidation; a crime that involves theft or stealing
153. by_____ct of technology *n.* a secondary or incidental product produced in the manufacture or synthesis of something else
154. a f_n of a plane *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

ANSWERS: 145. decision, 146. nation, 147. committed, 148. cage, 149. grab, 150. nation, 151. expense, 152. robbery, 153. byproduct, 154. fin

155. anti-air raid sh____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack:
156. a pre_____on program *n.* the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready
157. 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
158. feel co_____nt *adj.* feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future
159. 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
160. pro_____ty of humankind *n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune
161. apex pr____or *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
162. become p__y to terrorists *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
163. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
164. cr_____ng debt *adj.* causing someone to become unable to walk or move; causing severe damage or harm
165. t__p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

ANSWERS: 155. shelter, 156. preparation, 157. relate, 158. confident, 159. crack, 160. prosperity, 161. predator, 162. prey, 163. communal, 164. crippling, 165. trap

166. ti_____ss masterpiece *adj.* not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion
167. in a co_____ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
168. medical pa____e *n.* the conditional release of a prisoner before the completion of a sentence on the promise of good behavior
169. st_____ty pact *n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
170. emotional a__n *n.* a contest or competition, typically one in which participants exert themselves physically or mentally to achieve victory or surpass others
171. sewing ne____e *n.* a thin, pointed object typically used for sewing or medical purposes; a metal or plastic instrument used for administering injections or drawing blood
172. set a t__p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
173. petty ro_____y *n.* the taking of property or money from a person, business, or institution by force, threat, or intimidation; a crime that involves theft or stealing
174. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 166. timeless, 167. committed, 168. parole, 169. stability, 170. agon, 171. needle, 172. trap, 173. robbery, 174. discovery

175. aw____e mental faculty *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
176. a sl__e of drink *n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person
177. fairly ty____l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
178. ac___d with public opinion *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
179. a fu____s sea *adj.* extremely angry; full of rage
180. 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
181. cr__t arts of Japan *n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
182. 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
183. a momentary gl____e *n.* a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly
184. sc__w the cap *v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together

ANSWERS: 175. awesome, 176. slave, 177. typical, 178. accord, 179. furious, 180. struggle, 181. craft, 182. hell, 183. glimpse, 184. screw

185. binational ac___d *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
186. back f_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
187. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
188. 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
189. the im_____te past *adj.* happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else
190. co_____er of the university *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
191. wanted cr_____al *n.* a person who has committed a crime
192. ju_____le justice *adj.* relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature
193. break dis_____ne *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence
194. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 185. accord, 186. fin, 187. crazy, 188. develop, 189. immediate, 190. cofounder, 191. criminal, 192. juvenile, 193. discipline, 194. statistics

195. teenage yo_____er *n.* a young person, typically a child or teenager; a creature that is still in its youth or early stages of development
196. ro__h and tough *adj.* not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface
197. commit la_____y *n.* the unlawful or unauthorized taking and carrying away of someone else's personal property with the intent to deprive them of it permanently; theft
198. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
199. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
200. 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
201. co_____t only in knowing facts *v.* to be composed or made up of
202. a worldwide ep_____ic *n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
203. 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
204. co___t mistakes *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
205. AI expert *n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation

ANSWERS: 195. youngster, 196. rough, 197. larceny, 198. folk, 199. complexity, 200.

relate, 201. consist, 202. epidemic, 203. struggle, 204. commit, 205. AI

206. an academic cur_____um *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
207. s__t beliefs *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
208. ce_____te relationship *n.* a person with whom one shares a prison cell or room
209. w__p up a meeting *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
210. get money by fr__d *n.* the crime of gaining money or financial benefits by deceiving people; a person who makes deceitful pretenses
211. victim of fr__d *n.* the crime of gaining money or financial benefits by deceiving people; a person who makes deceitful pretenses
212. ill_____te population *adj.* unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing

ANSWERS: 206. curriculum, 207. sect, 208. cellmate, 209. wrap, 210. fraud, 211. fraud, 212. illiterate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Many charities focus on improving _____ rates in underprivileged communities.
 - n.* the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively
2. The disease is now reaching _____ proportions in our country.
 - n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
3. The police are searching for the _____ who stole the jewels.
 - n.* a person who has committed a crime
4. 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
5. We have become TV _____ due to video streaming services.
 - n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
6. The shark's powerful _____ allowed it to swim at high speeds.
 - n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
7. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?
 - v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

ANSWERS: 1. literacy, 2. epidemic, 3. criminal, 4. develop, 5. addicts, 6. fins, 7. suppose

8. The weightlifting competition brought together athletes from different countries for an international _____.
- n.* a contest or competition, typically one in which participants exert themselves physically or mentally to achieve victory or surpass others
9. The coach was _____ with the players for their lack of effort during the game.
- adj.* extremely angry; full of rage
10. In this era of cybercrime, digital _____ is becoming increasingly common, with hackers demanding ransoms to unlock encrypted files.
- n.* the act of obtaining something, often money, through force, threats, or coercion
11. A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the _____.
- n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
12. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.
- n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
13. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
14. He became _____ after losing his job.
- adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
15. The military has _____ an abuse of human rights.
- v.* to do something illegal or wrong

ANSWERS: 8. agon, 9. furious, 10. extortion, 11. curriculum, 12. finance, 13. statistics, 14. homeless, 15. committed

16. The majority of snakes swallow their _____ whole.

n. the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating

17. There is a lot of _____ nature and food in Hawaii.

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

18. The suspect was charged with _____ for stealing valuable artwork.

n. the unlawful or unauthorized taking and carrying away of someone else's personal property with the intent to deprive them of it permanently; theft

19. They played basketball in the _____ behind their house.

n. a narrow lane or way between buildings, often used as a passage or a shortcut; a small street that runs between two other streets

20. His peers _____ him for his controversial beliefs.

v. to exclude someone from a group or society by general consent; to avoid speaking to or dealing with intentionally

21. The native South American animals were in danger because of the _____ arrival.

n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

22. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

23. Her research team made an important _____.

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

ANSWERS: 16. prey, 17. awesome, 18. larceny, 19. alley, 20. ostracized, 21. predator's, 22. amazing, 23. discovery

24. For this project to be successful, we must control _____ strictly.
n. the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
25. Enhanced rail _____ is crucial for our business.
n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
26. The vehicle bounced along the _____ mountain road.
adj. not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface
27. This examination _____ of five problems to solve.
v. to be composed or made up of
28. The detective suspected that the vandalism was the work of _____ delinquents.
adj. relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature
29. The policy should increase the country's monetary _____.
n. the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
30. 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
31. This artwork is _____ of her work.
adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
32. More and more people are utilizing counselors to help resolve their _____ problems.
adj. of or relating to marriage

ANSWERS: 24. expenses, 25. transportation, 26. rough, 27. consists, 28. juvenile, 29. stability, 30. committed, 31. typical, 32. marital

33. The enemy fell right into the _____.

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

34. The skilled _____ bypassed the alarm system and entered the house without making a sound.

- n.* a person who unlawfully enters a building or other property to steal or commit another crime

35. You should work hard but not be a _____ to it.

- n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person

36. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

- adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

37. They need food and _____.

- n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack:

38. She planted a hedge to serve as a natural _____ around her garden.

- n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property

39. The company's _____ was on the side of the building.

- n.* a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials

40. 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

ANSWERS: 33. trap, 34. burglar, 35. slave, 36. absolutely, 37. shelter, 38. fence, 39. logo, 40. crack

41. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
- n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
42. Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as _____ but was later proven correct.
- adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
43. 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
44. When making arrests, police officers frequently _____ excessive force.
- v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
45. We have finally lost our last _____.
- n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
46. The doctor diagnosed him with a rare _____ that had no known cure.
- n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
47. The organization finally signed a peace _____.
- n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.;
 - (verb) allow to have
48. 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

ANSWERS: 41. decision, 42. ridiculous, 43. complexity, 44. employ, 45. prop, 46. disease, 47. accord, 48. relate

49. This inclusive environment has allowed the plant species to _____.

v. to make something include more different types or things; to spread out activities or investments

50. She _____ the money from her savings account to her checking account.

v. to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another

51. Both forts were subject to _____ attacks.

adj. happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else

52. He is the _____ and chairman of this tech company.

n. one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

53. He was _____ for the duration of the war.

v. to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape

54. Despite attending school, he remained _____ and unable to read or write.

adj. unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing

55. The prisoner requested a transfer to a different _____ due to conflicts.

n. a person with whom one shares a prison cell or room

56. He was _____ killed by friendly fire.

adv. by chance or without planning

57. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

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

ANSWERS: 49. diversify, 50. transferred, 51. immediate, 52. cofounder, 53. incarcerated, 54. illiterate, 55. cellmate, 56. accidentally, 57. engineer

58. This war shattered dreams of peace and _____.
- n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune
59. The organization works to _____ drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.
- v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
60. The evolution of processors has dramatically improved the performance of ____.
- n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation
61. Shall we _____ a bite to eat?
- v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
62. 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
63. The parents spoke to their children in no-_____ tones.
- n.* an idea, behavior, or something spoken or written that has no meaning or makes no sense or that is silly or unacceptable
64. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.
- n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
65. He is still struggling with a _____ disease.
- adj.* causing someone to become unable to walk or move; causing severe damage or harm

ANSWERS: 58. prosperity, 59. rehabilitate, 60. AI, 61. grab, 62. craft, 63. nonsense, 64. folk, 65. crippling

66. _____ the bandage tightly around the injured arm.
- v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
67. We are never intimidated when dealing with young _____.
- n.* a type of a loud, fast-moving, and aggressive form of rock music originating in the 1970s; an aggressive and violent young man or boy
68. The public _____ was filled with the sound of children laughing and playing games.
- n.* a covered passageway or walkway, often lined with shops or restaurants; a series of arches supported by columns; a type of video game in which the player controls a character moving through a series of levels and obstacles
69. The trapped bear is running amok in its _____.
- n.* a structure made of metal bars or wire in which birds or animals can be kept
70. The drug dealer was arrested for possession of _____.
- n.* a highly addictive stimulant drug that is derived from the leaves of the coca plant, often used recreationally for its euphoric effects but also used in medicine as a local anesthetic and vasoconstrictor
71. The little _____ couldn't wait to open their birthday presents.
- n.* a young person, typically a child or teenager; a creature that is still in its youth or early stages of development
72. The unemployment rate in the first _____ was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.
- n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
73. There is a _____ aspect to his most remarkable work.
- adj.* not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion

ANSWERS: 66. Wrap, 67. punks, 68. arcade, 69. cage, 70. cocaine, 71. youngster, 72. quarter, 73. timeless

74. I'm not _____ in our victory.

adj. feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future

75. The convenience store was the scene of a _____ last night.

n. the taking of property or money from a person, business, or institution by force, threat, or intimidation; a crime that involves theft or stealing

76. As a _____ he felt his money was wasted on unnecessary government projects.

n. a person who pays taxes to the government

77. The acupuncturist inserted _____ into specific points on my body to alleviate my pain.

n. a thin, pointed object typically used for sewing or medical purposes; a metal or plastic instrument used for administering injections or drawing blood

78. The police arrested them for committing insurance _____.

n. the crime of gaining money or financial benefits by deceiving people; a person who makes deceitful pretenses

79. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

80. You are under no _____ to finish the job.

n. the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something

81. The prisoner was granted _____ after serving 20 years of his life sentence.

n. the conditional release of a prisoner before the completion of a sentence on the promise of good behavior

ANSWERS: 74. confident, 75. robbery, 76. taxpayer, 77. needles, 78. fraud, 79. crazy, 80. obligation, 81. parole

82. The _____ of the energy production process is a large amount of carbon dioxide emissions.
- n.* a secondary or incidental product produced in the manufacture or synthesis of something else
83. He had to _____ the loose knob back onto the cabinet door.
- v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it;
(noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together
84. Our team caught a _____ of the world-class technique in this game.
- n.* a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly
85. He helped me with the _____ of this book.
- n.* the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready
86. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
- adj.* relating to people's feelings
87. 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
88. 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
89. 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

ANSWERS: 82. byproduct, 83. screw, 84. glimpse, 85. preparation, 86. emotional, 87. empowered, 88. nation, 89. individual,

90. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.
- v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
91. 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
92. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
- v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
93. 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
94. She waited for her daughter with _____.
- n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future
95. 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
96. 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
97. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.
- v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

ANSWERS: 90. release, 91. environment, 92. separate, 93. struggle, 94. anxiety, 95. responsible, 96. influence, 97. invest

98. The injury was severe enough to _____ the athlete's chances of playing again this season.

- v.* to cause severe damage or injury that greatly impairs someone's ability to function or move; to weaken or undermine

99. The minority _____ believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

- n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

100. 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

101. He quickly learned the military _____.

- n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence

102. A police officer has the authority to _____ a criminal.

- v.* to take into custody

103. After a lengthy court battle, the child's _____ was granted to the father.

- n.* the state of being physically responsible for something or someone, especially a child; a state of being confined, usually for a short time

104. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

105. The news of her promotion _____ her.

- v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 98. cripple, 99. sect, 100. hell, 101. discipline, 102. arrest, 103. custody, 104. Communal, 105. excited

106. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

ANSWERS: 106. murder