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Session 1: Word List

politically

adv. in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation

(1) **politically** advantageous, (2) become **politically** savvy
This newspaper is supposed to be **politically** neutral.

diverse

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

synonym: manifold, various, myriad

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

progressive

adj. relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one

synonym: advanced, forward-thinking, modern

(1) **progressive** taxation, (2) **progressive** development
The **progressive** approach to education emphasizes hands-on learning and student-centered classrooms.

conservative

adj. holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

synonym: traditional, reactionary, cautious

(1) a **conservative** society, (2) **conservative** about production

He always makes a **conservative** estimation when predicting future sales.

gable

n. the triangular part of a wall that is formed by the two sides of a sloping roof; the portion of a building's facade that is above the eaves

synonym: peak, apex

(1) **gable** roof, (2) decorative **gable**

The old Victorian house had a beautiful **gable** on its roof.

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.

impeach

v. to bring formal charges against a public official for misconduct in office

synonym: charge, accuse, claim

(1) **impeach** him with an error, (2) **impeach** official

The House of Representatives **impeached** the president for abuse of power.

scandal

n. an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage

synonym: controversy, outrage, uproar

(1) **scandal** magazine, (2) a corruption **scandal**

The political **scandal** rocked the nation and led to the resignation of several high-ranking officials.

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.

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.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym : directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer

immediately

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

censure

n. strong criticism or disapproval; an official expression of disapproval or rebuke; (verb) to criticize or express disapproval of someone or something in a formal or official way

synonym : condemnation, criticism, disapproval

(1) **censure** him for his failure, (2) **censure** resolution

The athlete received a **censure** from her coaches for violating team rules.

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym : leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

polarization

n. the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles

synonym : polarity, division, separation

(1) **polarization** effect, (2) dielectric **polarization**

The **polarization** of political views has created a deep divide in the country.

opportune

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

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

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

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

grassroots

adj. of or relating to the ordinary people in a society or an organization as constituting a fundamental political and economic group

synonym: fundamental, major, elemental

(1) a **grassroots** movement for nuclear disarmament,

(2) the **grassroots** factor in making the decision

The feeling among the company's **grassroots** is that the CEO is not radical enough.

divide

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

synonym: separate, disconnect, split

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

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

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?

Christ

n. the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

synonym: Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of **Christ**, (2) before **Christ**

Christmas is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

coalition

n. a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body

synonym: union, confederation, alliance

(1) a three-party **coalition**, (2) **coalition** forces

The two largest opposition parties announced they would form a **coalition** in the next elections.

capitol

n. a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress

synonym: government building, legislative center

(1) the nation's **capitol**, (2) **Capitol** Hill hearing

The **capitol** building was a stunning example of classical architecture, with its marble columns and grand dome.

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.

neutral

adj. not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.

synonym: impartial, uninvolved, halfhearted

(1) permanently **neutral** country, (2) **neutral** colors

A legislative speaker should always be **neutral**.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym: alter, convert, change

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

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

vast

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

synonym: expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

coal

n. a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat

synonym : ember

(1) a **coal-fired** ship, (2) construction of new **coal** plants
We combust **coal** and other fossil fuels to generate electricity.

navigate

v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

synonym : guide, helm, voyage

(1) **navigate** the Pacific, (2) **navigate** through a document
Our knowledge helps **navigate** our clients successfully.

browse

v. to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants

synonym : look around, look through, scan

(1) **browse** a website, (2) **browse** through the text
We **browsed** in a souvenir shop.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

vision

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

synonym : sight, image, concept

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

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

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.

appreciate

v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

synonym: acknowledge, admire, enjoy

(1) **appreciate** her feedback, (2) **appreciate** the value

We would **appreciate** an early reply.

diversity

n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

synonym: variety, multiplicity, variousness

(1) the **diversity** policy of the university, (2) lingual **diversity**

He was impressed by the range and **diversity** of the collection.

discriminate

v. to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

synonym: show prejudice, segregate, differentiate

(1) **discriminate** against women employees,

(2) **discriminate** between different things

You should not **discriminate** against minorities.

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

synonym: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

filter

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

synonym: strainer

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

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

necessarily

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

synonym: inevitable, certainly, automatically

(1) not **necessarily** a problem, (2) **necessarily** true

This accident was something that happened **necessarily**.

scare

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

synonym: frighten, spook, intimidate

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

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

worldview

n. a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world

synonym: perspective, position, viewpoint

(1) mainstream **worldview**, (2) the **worldview** of the ancient civilization

The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing **worldviews**.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym: farthestmost, outermost, fierce

(1) **extreme** sports, (2) **extreme** weather events

Solar gravity creates **extreme** pressures and temperatures.

tolerant

adj. accepting different views, beliefs, or practices without judgment or interference

synonym : forgiving, lenient, permissive

(1) a **tolerant** teacher, (2) **tolerant** of his failure

She was known for her **tolerant** attitude toward different cultures.

doe

n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

synonym : rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

modern

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

synonym : contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre-**modern** agricultural society

Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

bubble

n. a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses

synonym : blob, balloon, mania

(1) **bubble** in the champagne glass, (2) economic **bubble**

Many people worry that the current real estate market is a **bubble** that could burst soon.

identify

v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

synonym : determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

bias

n. a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair

judgment

synonym : inclination, partiality, predilection

(1) **bias** against a big company, (2) have a **bias** toward socialism

She researched gender **bias** in politics.

perspective

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

synonym : viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle
His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

idealist

n. a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

synonym : dreamer, idealizer, visionary

(1) **idealist** at heart, (2) an **idealist** perspective

As a dedicated **idealist**, she always fought for what was right, no matter the cost.

partisan

adj. biased or prejudiced in favor of a particular cause, group, or political party; displaying strong support or allegiance to a particular side or viewpoint

synonym : biased, prejudiced, one-sided

(1) **partisan** politics, (2) bridge **partisan** differences

Her **partisan** beliefs made it difficult for her to consider opposing viewpoints.

weave

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

synonym : braid, unite, contrive

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

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

fabric

n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

synonym : cloth, material, goods

(1) a hand-loomed **fabric**, (2) **fabric** of creation

These synthetic **fabrics** are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

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.

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym : resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

complimentary

adj. expressing praise or admiration; given free of charge as a courtesy or goodwill gesture; conveying or expressing a compliment

synonym : free, gratuitous, costless

(1) **complimentary** drink, (2) **complimentary** comments

The hotel offers **complimentary** breakfast to all guests.

overcome

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

synonym : beat, confound, overwhelm

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

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

pierce

v. to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument
synonym: jab, penetrate, stab

(1) **pierce** the armored shells, (2) **pierce** a mystery
The extreme cold **pierced** our bones.

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
synonym: luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance
The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

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.

narrative

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
synonym: the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**
The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

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.

collaborate

v. to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
synonym: cooperate, unite, get together

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

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

relation

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

synonym: association, linkage, connection

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

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

intellect

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

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.

intuitive

adj. obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof

synonym: involuntary, instinctive, innate

(1) **intuitive** eating, (2) **intuitive** judgment

I had an **intuitive** feeling that I might be pregnant.

brain

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

synonym: intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

Vulcan

n. a hypothetical planet that was once believed to exist between Mercury and the Sun proposed in the 19th

century to account for certain irregularities in Mercury's orbit; (of Roman mythology) the god of fire, including the fire of volcanoes, metalworking, and the forge

(1) **Vulcan** asteroid, (2) **Vulcan** god

Vulcan's Forge is a nickname for the island of Hawaii due to its active volcanoes.

bold

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

synonym: brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

cowboy

n. a man, typically one on horseback, who herds and tends cattle, especially in the western US; a person who behaves roughly or recklessly, typically a man; a skilled ranch worker who is adept at many tasks, especially those involving horses and cattle

synonym: cowpuncher, rancher, wrangler

(1) **cowboy** rodeo, (2) **cowboy** boots

The **cowboy** hat she wore added to her rugged and tough look.

captain

n. the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft

synonym: boss, director, leader

(1) the **captain** of an opposing team, (2) **captain** of industry

The **captain** ordered the troops to fire.

prefer

v. to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another

synonym: choose, like, favor

(1) **prefer** physics to chemistry, (2) **prefer** a window seat

The birds **prefer** open water areas with reeds around them.

trek

n. a long and difficult journey, typically on foot

synonym: journey, expedition, hike

(1) horseback **trek**, (2) **trek** expedition

He was preparing for a long **trek** through the mountains.

crew

n. a group of people who work together, especially on a ship or airplane

synonym: team, group, squad

(1) the film **crew**, (2) the **crew** of a fishing boat

The ship's **crew** worked hard to repair the damaged sails before the next storm hit.

fan

n. a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

synonym: lover, devotee, blade

(1) a film **fan**, (2) engine cooling **fan**

I'm a big **fan** of French food.

optimism

n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

synonym: positiveness, sanguinity, bullishness

(1) sense of **optimism**, (2) political **optimism**

There is considerable **optimism** that the economy will recover soon.

racial

adj. of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

synonym: ethnic, tribal, ethnical

(1) **racial** prejudice, (2) **racial** and ethnic backgrounds

A minor **racial** conflict later led to a civil war.

gender

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

synonym: sexuality

(1) **gender-blind** policies, (2) dual **gender**

Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

rural

adj. of or relating to the countryside

synonym : agrarian, country, rustic

(1) **rural** accents, (2) people in **rural** areas

Many **rural** areas are still impoverished.

urban

adj. relating to or located in a town or city

synonym : metropolitan, civic

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

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

liberal

adj. willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded

synonym : broad, free, large-minded

(1) a **liberal** arts college, (2) under **liberal** conditions

He is **liberal** in his thoughts.

democracy

n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

synonym : self-government, republic, commonwealth

(1) **democracy** advocate, (2) principles of **democracy**

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

religion

n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

synonym : faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

estranged

adj. separated or alienated from someone or something that was once familiar or close; emotionally detached or distant due to a breakdown in a relationship or connection

synonym : alienated, distant, estrous

(1) **estranged** relationship, (2) become **estranged**

After years of not speaking to each other, the **estranged** family members finally reunited.

heal

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

synonym : recover, bring around, mend

(1) **heal** a broken bone, (2) **heal** the hurt mind

It will take time for her mental scars to **heal**.

viewpoint

n. a way of thinking about a specific subject; a place from which something can be viewed, especially in an area of natural beauty

synonym : outlook, stance, perspective

(1) a scientific **viewpoint**, (2) aesthetic **viewpoint**

We looked at this issue from a different **viewpoint**.

invite

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

synonym : ask, request, summon

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

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

structure

n. the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

synonym : construction, architecture, establishment

(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of the brain

The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

curiosity

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

synonym : interest, inquisitiveness, novelty

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

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

kindergarten

n. a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six

synonym: preschool, nursery school, daycare

(1) **kindergarten** class, (2) **kindergarten** teacher

The **kindergarten** students were having a good time playing with toys.

topic

n. a subject that is being discussed or written about

synonym: subject, theme, issue

(1) a serious **topic**, (2) the **topic** of the book

The **topic** of the discussion was the current state of the economy.

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.

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.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

adventure

n. a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous

synonym: experience, happening, incident

(1) gastronomic **adventures**, (2) **adventure** film

He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his **adventures**.

rediscover

v. to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost

synonym: recover, get back, revive

(1) **rediscover** a value, (2) **rediscover** an old truth

The painting was **rediscovered** in an attic and turned out to be a long-lost masterpiece.

yearn

v. to strongly desire or long for something

synonym: long, desire, crave

(1) **yearn** after my old days, (2) **yearn** for love

She **yearned** for the days when things were simpler.

Session 2: Spelling

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|------------------------------------|---|
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| 4. peace co_____ss | <i>n.</i> a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups |
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20. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
21. in____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
22. become es_____ed *adj.* separated or alienated from someone or something that was once familiar or close; emotionally detached or distant due to a breakdown in a relationship or connection
23. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
24. pi___e a mystery *v.* to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument
25. personal na_____ve *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
26. di___e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
27. pr___r a window seat *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
28. pol_____ly advantageous *adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation
29. a b__d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

ANSWERS: 19. weave, 20. perspective, 21. inspire, 22. estranged, 23. doe, 24. pierce, 25. narrative, 26. divide, 27. prefer, 28. politically, 29. bold

30. con_____ive about production *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
31. nec_____ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
32. horseback t__k *n.* a long and difficult journey, typically on foot
33. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
34. ne_____l colors *adj.* not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.
35. under li_____l conditions *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
36. im_____h him with an error *v.* to bring formal charges against a public official for misconduct in office
37. mo_____n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
38. the st_____re of a machine *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
39. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
40. ye__n after my old days *v.* to strongly desire or long for something
41. 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

ANSWERS: 30. conservative, 31. necessarily, 32. trek, 33. invite, 34. neutral, 35. liberal, 36. impeach, 37. modern, 38. structure, 39. president, 40. yearn, 41. decision

42. satisfy my intellectual cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
43. muscular st_____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
44. late co_____er *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
45. a film f_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
46. pro_____ve taxation *adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one
47. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
48. pr___r physics to chemistry *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
49. co_____er of the university *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
50. id_____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
51. ye__n for love *v.* to strongly desire or long for something
52. ur__n planning *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
53. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
54. ra___l and ethnic backgrounds *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

ANSWERS: 42. curiosity, 43. strength, 44. cofounder, 45. fan, 46. progressive, 47. extreme, 48. prefer, 49. cofounder, 50. identify, 51. yearn, 52. urban, 53. opportune, 54. racial

55. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
56. pa_____an politics *adj.* biased or prejudiced in favor of a particular cause, group, or political party; displaying strong support or allegiance to a particular side or viewpoint
57. a con_____ive society *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
58. ov_____me all difficulties *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
59. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
60. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
61. clogged fi____r *n.* any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light
62. br____e a website *v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
63. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

ANSWERS: 55. perspective, 56. partisan, 57. conservative, 58. overcome, 59. relation, 60. separate, 61. filter, 62. browse, 63. democracy

64. not nec_____ly a problem *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
65. sc_____l magazine *n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage
66. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
67. ex_____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
68. human in _____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
69. bu____e in the champagne glass *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
70. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
71. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
72. dis_____ate between different things *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
73. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
74. di____e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

ANSWERS: 64. necessarily, 65. scandal, 66. incredible, 67. extreme, 68. intellect, 69. bubble, 70. vast, 71. identify, 72. discriminate, 73. incredibly, 74. divide

75. pro_____ve development *adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one
76. fa___c of creation *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
77. h__l the hurt mind *v.* to make a wound or injury to become well again
78. a scientific vi_____nt *n.* a way of thinking about a specific subject; a place from which something can be viewed, especially in an area of natural beauty
79. 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
80. sc__e off her attacker by screaming *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
81. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
82. in_____ve judgment *adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof
83. ad_____re film *n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
84. t__k expedition *n.* a long and difficult journey, typically on foot
85. in___e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

ANSWERS: 75. progressive, 76. fabric, 77. heal, 78. viewpoint, 79. lobby, 80. scare, 81. religion, 82. intuitive, 83. adventure, 84. trek, 85. invite

86. de____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
87. buck and d_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
88. co____y boots *n.* a man, typically one on horseback, who herds and tends cattle, especially in the western US; a person who behaves roughly or recklessly, typically a man; a skilled ranch worker who is adept at many tasks, especially those involving horses and cattle
89. to____nt of his failure *adj.* accepting different views, beliefs, or practices without judgment or interference
90. big, b__d piano sounds *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
91. mainstream wo____ew *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
92. ge____r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
93. have a b__s toward socialism *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment

ANSWERS: 86. decision, 87. doe, 88. cowboy, 89. tolerant, 90. bold, 91. worldview, 92. gender, 93. bias

94. Ca_____l Hill hearing *n.* a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress
95. pol_____ion effect *n.* the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles
96. the c__w of a fishing boat *n.* a group of people who work together, especially on a ship or airplane
97. st_____re and function of the brain *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
98. economic bu___e *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
99. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
100. the wo_____ew of the ancient civilization *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
101. the ca_____n of an opposing team *n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft
102. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 94. capitol, 95. polarization, 96. crew, 97. structure, 98. bubble, 99. brain, 100. worldview, 101. captain, 102. intellect

103. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
104. we__e a story *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
105. the nation's ca_____l *n.* a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress
106. re_____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
107. a hand-loomed fa____c *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
108. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
109. ca_____n of industry *n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft
110. st_____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
111. g__b an audience *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
112. com_____ary comments *adj.* expressing praise or admiration; given free of charge as a courtesy or goodwill gesture; conveying or expressing a compliment
113. an id_____st perspective *n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

ANSWERS: 103. immediately, 104. weave, 105. capitol, 106. religion, 107. fabric, 108. conversation, 109. captain, 110. strength, 111. grab, 112. complimentary, 113. idealist

114. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
115. di____e backgrounds *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
116. ce____e resolution *n.* strong criticism or disapproval; an official expression of disapproval or rebuke; (verb) to criticize or express disapproval of someone or something in a formal or official way
117. g__b an opportunity *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
118. bridge pa____an differences *adj.* biased or prejudiced in favor of a particular cause, group, or political party; displaying strong support or allegiance to a particular side or viewpoint
119. app____te her feedback *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
120. sense of op____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
121. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
122. the di____ty policy of the university *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

ANSWERS: 114. brain, 115. diverse, 116. censure, 117. grab, 118. partisan, 119. appreciate, 120. optimism, 121. nation, 122. diversity

123. co_____on forces *n.* a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body
124. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
125. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
126. br_____nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
127. br___e through the text *v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
128. na_____te the Pacific *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
129. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
130. sc___e the birds away *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
131. become pol_____ly savvy *adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation
132. construction of new c___l plants *n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat

ANSWERS: 123. coalition, 124. vast, 125. president, 126. brilliant, 127. browse, 128. navigate, 129. inspire, 130. scare, 131. politically, 132. coal

133. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
134. na_____te through a document *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
135. an international co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
136. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
137. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
138. dis_____ate against women employees *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
139. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
140. col_____te on a press release *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
141. col_____te with the police *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
142. dual ge____r *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

ANSWERS: 133. democracy, 134. navigate, 135. congress, 136. transform, 137. incredibly, 138. discriminate, 139. separate, 140. collaborate, 141. collaborate, 142. gender

143. aesthetic vi_____nt *n.* a way of thinking about a specific subject; a place from which something can be viewed, especially in an area of natural beauty
144. before Ch____t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
145. telescopic vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
146. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
147. in_____ve eating *adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof
148. ga__e roof *n.* the triangular part of a wall that is formed by the two sides of a sloping roof; the portion of a building's facade that is above the eaves
149. engine cooling f_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
150. b__s against a big company *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
151. a corruption sc_____l *n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage

ANSWERS: 143. viewpoint, 144. Christ, 145. vision, 146. communal, 147. intuitive, 148. gable, 149. fan, 150. bias, 151. scandal

152. a li____l arts college
adj. willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
153. na_____ve poetry
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
154. a to_____nt teacher
adj. accepting different views, beliefs, or practices without judgment or interference
155. ra____l prejudice
adj. of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
156. Vu____n asteroid
n. a hypothetical planet that was once believed to exist between Mercury and the Sun proposed in the 19th century to account for certain irregularities in Mercury's orbit; (of Roman mythology) the god of fire, including the fire of volcanoes, metalworking, and the forge
157. gastronomic ad_____res
n. a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
158. a prodigious vi____n
n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
159. ru__l accents
adj. of or relating to the countryside
160. em_____al health
adj. relating to people's feelings
161. a serious to__c
n. a subject that is being discussed or written about
162. 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

ANSWERS: 152. liberal, 153. narrative, 154. tolerant, 155. racial, 156. Vulcan, 157. adventure, 158. vision, 159. rural, 160. emotional, 161. topic, 162. debate

163. people in ru__l areas *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
164. es_____ed relationship *adj.* separated or alienated from someone or something that was once familiar or close; emotionally detached or distant due to a breakdown in a relationship or connection
165. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
166. the gra_____ts factor in making the decision *adj.* of or relating to the ordinary people in a society or an organization as constituting a fundamental political and economic group
167. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
168. a c__l-fired ship *n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
169. br_____nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
170. red_____er an old truth *v.* to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost
171. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
172. id_____st at heart *n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity
173. decorative ga__e *n.* the triangular part of a wall that is formed by the two sides of a sloping roof; the portion of a building's facade that is above the eaves

ANSWERS: 163. rural, 164. estranged, 165. communal, 166. grassroots, 167. emotional, 168. coal, 169. brilliant, 170. rediscover, 171. transform, 172. idealist, 173. gable

174. co___y rodeo *n.* a man, typically one on horseback, who herds and tends cattle, especially in the western US; a person who behaves roughly or recklessly, typically a man; a skilled ranch worker who is adept at many tasks, especially those involving horses and cattle
175. kin_____ten class *n.* a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six
176. teaching of Ch___t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
177. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
178. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
179. com_____ary drink *adj.* expressing praise or admiration; given free of charge as a courtesy or goodwill gesture; conveying or expressing a compliment
180. 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

ANSWERS: 174. cowboy, 175. kindergarten, 176. Christ, 177. conversation, 178. opportune, 179. complimentary, 180. debate

181. dielectric pol_____ion *n.* the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles
182. h__l a broken bone *v.* to make a wound or injury to become well again
183. gas fi____r *n.* any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light
184. a person of di_____e talents *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
185. Vu____n god *n.* a hypothetical planet that was once believed to exist between Mercury and the Sun proposed in the 19th century to account for certain irregularities in Mercury's orbit; (of Roman mythology) the god of fire, including the fire of volcanoes, metalworking, and the forge
186. pi____e the armored shells *v.* to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument
187. de____e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
188. ur__n property owners *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
189. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
190. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

ANSWERS: 181. polarization, 182. heal, 183. filter, 184. diverse, 185. Vulcan, 186. pierce, 187. decide, 188. urban, 189. incredible, 190. relation

191. na___n-state

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

192. ov_____me opponents

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

ANSWERS: 191. nation, 192. overcome

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

- _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
- He was impressed by the range and _____ of the collection.
n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
- Only a small number of _____ utilities offer sanitation services.
adj. relating to or located in a town or city
- We looked at this issue from a different _____.
n. a way of thinking about a specific subject; a place from which something can be viewed, especially in an area of natural beauty
- New York is a city with a _____ ethnic population.
adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
- Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
- 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
- He always makes a _____ estimation when predicting future sales.
adj. holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

ANSWERS: 1. Communal, 2. diversity, 3. urban, 4. viewpoint, 5. diverse, 6. modern, 7. decision, 8. conservative

9. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.
adv. now or without delay
10. Ozone is a primary _____ to protect Earth's surface from harmful UV rays.
n. any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light
11. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
12. The _____ hat she wore added to her rugged and tough look.
n. a man, typically one on horseback, who herds and tends cattle, especially in the western US; a person who behaves roughly or recklessly, typically a man; a skilled ranch worker who is adept at many tasks, especially those involving horses and cattle
13. She agreed to _____ with him in creating new artwork.
v. to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
14. The _____ of the discussion was the current state of the economy.
n. a subject that is being discussed or written about
15. The old Victorian house had a beautiful _____ on its roof.
n. the triangular part of a wall that is formed by the two sides of a sloping roof; the portion of a building's facade that is above the eaves
16. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.
adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

ANSWERS: 9. immediately, 10. filter, 11. religion, 12. cowboy, 13. collaborate, 14. topic, 15. gable, 16. brilliant

17. Her _____ beliefs made it difficult for her to consider opposing viewpoints.
adj. biased or prejudiced in favor of a particular cause, group, or political party; displaying strong support or allegiance to a particular side or viewpoint
18. Hunters use a whistle that makes the ____ sound to lure stags.
n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
19. The organizational _____ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.
n. the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
20. The extreme cold _____ our bones.
v. to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument
21. The hotel offers _____ breakfast to all guests.
adj. expressing praise or admiration; given free of charge as a courtesy or goodwill gesture; conveying or expressing a compliment
22. The effort to alleviate climate change needs ____ action.
adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
23. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
24. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 17. partisan, 18. doe, 19. structure, 20. pierced, 21. complimentary, 22. bold, 23. relations, 24. opportune

25. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

26. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

adj. relating to people's feelings

27. Many _____ areas are still impoverished.

adj. of or relating to the countryside

28. He is _____ in his thoughts.

adj. willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded

29. He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his _____.

n. a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous

30. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

31. As a dedicated _____ she always fought for what was right, no matter the cost.

n. a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

32. This accident was something that happened _____.

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

ANSWERS: 25. strength, 26. emotional, 27. rural, 28. liberal, 29. adventures, 30. vast, 31. idealist, 32. necessarily

33. Many people worry that the current real estate market is a _____ that could burst soon.
- n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
34. This newspaper is supposed to be _____ neutral.
- adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation
35. The painting was _____ in an attic and turned out to be a long-lost masterpiece.
- v.* to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost
36. 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
37. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
- v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
38. We hit the ground to _____ out the rabbits.
- v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
39. We _____ in a souvenir shop.
- v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
40. A minor _____ conflict later led to a civil war.
- adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

ANSWERS: 33. bubble, 34. politically, 35. rediscovered, 36. nation, 37. identify, 38. scare, 39. browsed, 40. racial

41. We would _____ an early reply.

- v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

42. I had an _____ feeling that I might be pregnant.

- adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof

43. The _____ ordered the troops to fire.

- n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft

44. _____ 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

45. These synthetic _____ are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

- n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

46. I'm a big ____ of French food.

- n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

47. She _____ for the days when things were simpler.

- v.* to strongly desire or long for something

48. She was known for her _____ attitude toward different cultures.

- adj.* accepting different views, beliefs, or practices without judgment or interference

ANSWERS: 41. appreciate, 42. intuitive, 43. captain, 44. Congress, 45. fabrics, 46. fan, 47. yearned, 48. tolerant

49. The _____ students were having a good time playing with toys.
n. a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six
50. The birds _____ open water areas with reeds around them.
v. to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
51. The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing _____.
n. a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
52. The political _____ rocked the nation and led to the resignation of several high-ranking officials.
n. an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage
53. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.
n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
54. The two largest opposition parties announced they would form a _____ in the next elections.
n. a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body
55. We combust _____ and other fossil fuels to generate electricity.
n. a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
56. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.
n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

ANSWERS: 49. kindergarten, 50. prefer, 51. worldviews, 52. scandal, 53. gender, 54. coalition, 55. coal, 56. vision

57. The _____ approach to education emphasizes hands-on learning and student-centered classrooms.

adj. relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one

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

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

59. You should not _____ against minorities.

v. to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

60. Shall we _____ a bite to eat?

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

61. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.

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

62. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

63. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

64. _____ is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

n. the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

ANSWERS: 57. progressive, 58. invite, 59. discriminate, 60. grab, 61. incredibly, 62. conversation, 63. decide, 64. Christmas

65. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

66. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?

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

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

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

68. The athlete received a _____ from her coaches for violating team rules.

n. strong criticism or disapproval; an official expression of disapproval or rebuke;
(verb) to criticize or express disapproval of someone or something in a formal or official way

69. A legislative speaker should always be _____.

adj. not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.

70. 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

71. She researched gender _____ in politics.

n. a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment

72. _____ Forge is a nickname for the island of Hawaii due to its active volcanoes.

n. a hypothetical planet that was once believed to exist between Mercury and the Sun proposed in the 19th century to account for certain irregularities in Mercury's orbit; (of Roman mythology) the god of fire, including the fire of volcanoes, metalworking, and the forge

ANSWERS: 65. incredible, 66. divide, 67. cofounder, 68. censure, 69. neutral, 70. lobby, 71. bias, 72. Vulcan's

73. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.
- n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
74. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.
- n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
75. After years of not speaking to each other, the _____ family members finally reunited.
- adj.* separated or alienated from someone or something that was once familiar or close; emotionally detached or distant due to a breakdown in a relationship or connection
76. My father's death _____ my life completely.
- v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
77. It will take time for her mental scars to _____.
- v.* to make a wound or injury to become well again
78. The _____ of political views has created a deep divide in the country.
- n.* the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles
79. We are motivated by _____ rather than necessity.
- n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
80. The _____ building was a stunning example of classical architecture, with its marble columns and grand dome.
- n.* a building that houses a legislative assembly, especially the US Congress

ANSWERS: 73. Democracy, 74. brain, 75. estranged, 76. transformed, 77. heal, 78. polarization, 79. curiosity, 80. capitol

81. He was preparing for a long _____ through the mountains.
n. a long and difficult journey, typically on foot
82. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
83. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
84. The House of Representatives _____ the president for abuse of power.
v. to bring formal charges against a public official for misconduct in office
85. He tried to _____ a bad reputation and win the election.
v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
86. The ship's _____ worked hard to repair the damaged sails before the next storm hit.
n. a group of people who work together, especially on a ship or airplane
87. There is considerable _____ that the economy will recover soon.
n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
88. 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

ANSWERS: 81. trek, 82. narrative, 83. inspired, 84. impeached, 85. overcome, 86. crew, 87. optimism, 88. separate

89. Our knowledge helps _____ our clients successfully.

- v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

90. The girl _____ a garland for her friend.

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

91. The feeling among the company's _____ is that the CEO is not radical enough.

- adj.* of or relating to the ordinary people in a society or an organization as constituting a fundamental political and economic group

92. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.

- adj.* very great in amount or degree

93. 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

94. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

- n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

95. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

- n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

96. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.

- n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

ANSWERS: 89. navigate, 90. weaves, 91. grassroots, 92. extreme, 93. debate, 94. intellect, 95. president, 96. perspective

ANSWERS: