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Session 1: Word List

elect

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

synonym : select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death

Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

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.

candidate

n. a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant

synonym : applicant, nominee, contender

(1) **candidate** selection, (2) PhD **candidate**

The **candidate's** platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.

landslide

n. a large, sudden movement of a mass of rock, earth, or other material down a slope

synonym : avalanche, mudslide, rockfall

(1) **landslide** victory, (2) prevent a **landslide**

The massive **landslide** buried the small village under a thick layer of rock and dirt.

victory

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

synonym : win, triumph, success

(1) **victory** in the law court, (2) **victory** over terrorism

We are optimistic about our final **victory**.

distant

adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship

synonym : far, isolated, remote

(1) a **distant** memory, (2) **distant** ancestors

The sun set over the crest of **distant** hills.

trump

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

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

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

republic

n. a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch

synonym : democracy, federation, commonwealth

(1) **republic** democracy, (2) the **republic** of art

The United States is a federal presidential constitutional **republic**.

heel

n. the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something

synonym : hindfoot

(1) **heel** bone, (2) **heel** wrestler

She wore high **heels** to the party.

remainder

n. the part of something that is left over when the rest has been used or taken

synonym: balance, leftover, residue

(1) division with **remainder**, (2) the **remainder** of my life

The **remainder** of the cake was put in the fridge for tomorrow.

abstain

v. to choose not to do something, especially something that one wants to do

synonym: refrain, desist, forbear

(1) **abstain** on a vote, (2) **abstain** from food

She chose to **abstain** from alcohol at the party.

libertarian

n. a person who believes that people should be free to think and behave as they want and the government should only have a minimal level of control, and a person who advocates those beliefs

synonym: latitudinarian

(1) **libertarian** group, (2) civil **libertarian**

Western liberal democracy serves as the foundation for the **libertarian** philosophy of the media.

parallel

adj. being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations

synonym: aligned, side-by-side, similar

(1) a **parallel** case, (2) **parallel** processing

He walked a road **parallel** to the railroad.

universe

n. everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

synonym: cosmos, macrocosm

(1) theory of the **universe**, (2) expansion of the **universe**

The **universe** is about 13.8 billion years old.

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?

launch

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

synonym: start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack
The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

tin

n. a silvery-white metal that is typically soft and malleable, often used to make containers or packaging materials; a thin sheet of metal or metal alloy used for a variety of purposes

synonym: can, container, receptacle

(1) **tin** can, (2) **tin** foil

The roof of the old shed was made of rusty **tin**.

bunch

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

synonym: group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls

One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

thereabout

adv. approximately; around a particular time, place, or amount

synonym: roundabout, approximately, roughly

(1) **thereabout** estimate, (2) 10 AM to 7 PM, or **thereabout**

I live in a small town **thereabout 50** miles from the city.

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.

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.

referendum

n. a general vote in which all the people of a country can vote on an important political or social issue

synonym: election, poll, vote

(1) **referendum** on abortion, (2) hold a second **referendum**

The government had a constitutional **referendum**.

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.

inhabitant

n. a person or an animal that lives in a particular place

synonym: dweller, occupant, resident

(1) the early **inhabitants** of Europe, (2) **inhabitant** tax

His family is the oldest **inhabitant** of the island.

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**.

succinct

adj. concise, clear, and to the point; using as few words as possible to convey an idea or message; brief but

comprehensive

synonym : concise, brief, pithy

(1) **succinct** reply, (2) **succinct** explanation

My manager gave me a **succinct** summary of the project's goals and objectives.

reassure

v. to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence

synonym : comfort, soothe, bolster

(1) **reassure** anxious patients, (2) **reassure** market

The pilot tried to **reassure** the customers that the planes were safe.

interfere

v. to get involved in and prevent a process or activity from continuing

synonym : interpose, interrupt, hamper

(1) **interfere** in another country's affairs, (2) **interfere** with DNA synthesis

Your talking **interferes** with my work.

process

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

synonym : procedure, method, system

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

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

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.

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.

domestic

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

synonym: endemic, private, household

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

GDP stands for gross **domestic** product.

propose

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

synonym: suggest, offer, recommend

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

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

frank

adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

synonym: candid, direct, freehearted

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

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

aspect

n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

synonym: characteristic, element, factor

(1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media production.

doubt

n. a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

synonym: distrust, suspect, mistrust

(1) dispel **doubts**, (2) no **doubt** about the news

Doubt is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

hyperconnected

adj. having multiple, complex links or relationships between different people, objects, or systems

synonym : highly connected, fully connected

(1) **hyperconnected** network, (2) **hyperconnected** technology

The world has become increasingly **hyperconnected**, with the internet and social media playing a significant role in communication and information exchange.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym : enormous, giant, immense

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

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

interdependent

adj. depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected

synonym : interconnected, interrelated, mutual

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

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

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.

butterfly

n. a diurnal insect typically has a slender body with knobbed antennae and broad, colorful wings

(1) **butterfly** effect, (2) the life cycle of a **butterfly**

He enjoys collecting **butterfly** specimens.

pacific

adj. peaceful in character or intent; tending to lessen or avoid conflict; calm or soothing in manner or tone;
(noun, as "Pacific") the largest and deepest of Earth's oceanic divisions

synonym : calm, peaceful, tranquil

(1) **pacific-natured** disposition, (2) the **Pacific** Ocean

They adopted a **pacific** approach to resolving their differences, emphasizing dialogue and understanding.

apparently

adv. based on what you have heard or read

synonym : evidently, obviously, supposedly

(1) **apparently** simple, (2) **apparently** unrelated

The police **apparently** believed this explanation was plausible.

hurricane

n. a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)

synonym : cyclone, typhoon, storm

(1) a **hurricane** of applause, (2) the ravages of a **hurricane**

The devastating **hurricane** caused widespread damage and left many people homeless.

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?

affair

n. event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship

synonym : matter, incident, fling

(1) current **affairs**, (2) domestic **affairs**

Some critics say this exhibition will be a big **affair**.

pollute

v. to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals

synonym: contaminate, corrupt, degrade

(1) **pollute** the air, (2) **pollute** the thread

We should do our best not to **pollute** the environment.

atmosphere

n. the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work

synonym: air, ambiance, circumstances

(1) carbon dioxide in the **atmosphere**, (2) a convivial **atmosphere**

The spaceship began to burn up as it approached the Earth's **atmosphere**.

belong

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

synonym: fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group

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

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.

gigantic

adj. extremely large

synonym: huge, enormous, immense

(1) **gigantic** proportions, (2) **gigantic** monsters

He was so hungry from the long journey that he had a **gigantic** appetite.

universal

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

synonym : common, broad, worldwide

(1) **universal** life, (2) principles of **universal** design

The picture earned near- **universal** acclaim from critics.

nuclear

adj. of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

synonym : atomic

(1) **nuclear** fusion, (2) use of **nuclear** power

Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of **nuclear** weapons.

similarly

adv. in almost the same way

synonym : also, likewise, ditto

(1) **similarly** situated, (2) have **similarly** great abilities

We argue that wages for temporary workers should **similarly** rise.

outcome

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

synonym : result, consequence, effect

(1) improved student **outcomes**, (2) a desirable **outcome**

They awaited news of the **outcome** of the election.

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.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym : comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors

Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close

relatives.

planet

n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

synonym : earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**
Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

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**.

reckon

v. to think or believe something

synonym : regard, imagine, suppose

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

enthusiastic

adj. having or showing great excitement, interest, or eagerness; energetic or passionate about something

synonym : ardent, fervent, crazy

(1) **enthusiastic** football fan, (2) **enthusiastic** audience
She was **enthusiastic** about starting her new job.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym : exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

(1) **exciting** football player, (2) **exciting** news
The findings of the experiment were both **exciting** and unexpected.

dissertation

n. a long and formal written treatise or discourse, often presenting research or analysis on a particular subject or topic, in support of a degree or academic qualification

synonym : essay, treatise, paper

(1) **dissertation** research, (2) doctoral **dissertation**

My **dissertation** topic focuses on the impact of social media on mental health.

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.

extraordinary

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

synonym: exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

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

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

inwardly

adv. in one's inner thoughts, feelings, emotions, or mental states; about one's internal or subjective experience

synonym: internally, inward, inside

(1) protest **inwardly**, (2) **inwardly** happy

She **inwardly** wished that she had prepared more for the exam.

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.

glorious

adj. having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor

synonym: exquisite, magnificent, majestic

(1) a **glorious** victory, (2) photo in **glorious** color

I choose a **glorious** death rather than a shameful life.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly
synonym: reference, allude, cite

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

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

prime

adj. main or most important; basic

synonym: excellent, exceptional, premium

(1) **prime** number, (2) deputy **prime** minister

After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the **prime** suspect.

minister

n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

synonym: bishop, official, ambassador

(1) **Minister** for Education, (2) deputy prime **minister**

The **minister** occasionally preaches at this church.

necessity

n. the state or fact of being needed; anything indispensable

synonym: need, essentiality, prerequisite

(1) in great **necessity**, (2) the **necessity** of the concrete measure

He emphasized the **necessity** of immediate action.

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.

outward

adj. relating to the external appearance or surface of something; visible

synonym: external, surface, exterior

(1) an **outward** journey, (2) **outward** cheerfulness

The **outward** appearance of the building was impressive, but the inside was in dire need of repairs.

consequence

n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

synonym : result, impact, outcome

(1) unintended **consequences**, (2) the **consequence** of an argument

These economic activities had disastrous environmental **consequences**.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

multiply

v. to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity

synonym : boost, amplify, reproduce

(1) **multiply** 5 and 6, (2) **multiply** about hundredfold

Multiply a number by itself twice.

row

n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

synonym : line, sequence, layer

(1) criminal on death **row**, (2) a **row** of cherry trees

He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front **row**.

critic

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

synonym : pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

rerun

n. the act of repeating or replaying a previously aired episode of a television show or a past event or

performance; (verb) to broadcast or play again an item, especially a television or radio program; to run a race or other sporting event again

synonym: repeat, replay, re-airing

(1) **rerun** episode, (2) **rerun** of a TV show

I missed the episode of my favorite show, so I hope they will air a **rerun** soon.

prospect

n. the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals

synonym: hope, possibility, expectation

(1) **prospect** for gold, (2) job **prospects**

The **prospect** of starting a new business can be both exciting and daunting.

standalone

adj. (of computer hardware or software) able to operate the system without being connected to other hardware or software; (also stand-alone) capable of working independently

(1) **standalone** application, (2) **standalone** approach

We never prescribe medication as a **standalone** treatment.

background

n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

synonym: ground, experience, backdrop

(1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

diagnose

v. to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis

synonym: identify, analyze, interpret

(1) **diagnose** the problem, (2) **diagnose** with CT scans

This device is used to **diagnose** brain cancer and other tumors.

hint *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
synonym: clue, indication, suggestion
(1) **hint** of trouble, (2) helpful **hints**
There was no **hint** of a problem.

enormous *adj.* extremely large or great
synonym: huge, giant, gigantic
(1) **enormous** amount, (2) **enormous** potential
Shakespeare's output of poetry was **enormous**.

climate *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
synonym: atmosphere, weather, environment
(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change
Climate and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

abuse *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
synonym: misuse, misconduct, vilification
(1) the problem of drug **abuse**, (2) victim of sexual **abuse**
Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for **abuse** of authority.

mass *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
synonym: abundance, crowd, mob
(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**
The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

migration

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

synonym : exodus

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

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

economy

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

synonym : finance, trade, business

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

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

chaos

n. a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control

synonym : disorder, turmoil, confusion

(1) **chaos** theory, (2) midst of **chaos**

The conference room was in **chaos** as everyone tried to speak at once.

proliferation

n. a rapid or uncontrolled increase in the number or amount of something; the process of growing, producing, or spreading rapidly and excessively

synonym : spread, expansion, increase

(1) nuclear **proliferation**, (2) the **proliferation** of social media

The **proliferation** of fast-food restaurants has contributed to the obesity epidemic.

threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym : endanger, terrorize, intimidate

(1) **threaten** a healthy relationship, (2) **threaten** national

security

Various artificially induced causes are **threatening** our ecosystem.

wipe

v. to clean or dry something by rubbing with a piece of cloth or paper or one's hand and removing dirt, food, or liquid

synonym: clean, brush, swab

(1) **Wipe** off dirt, (2) **wipe** with water

Please **wipe** your sweat with this towel.

tackle

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

synonym: deal with, dive into, work on

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

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

cooperate

v. to work together with one or more people or organizations to achieve a goal

synonym: collaborate, team up, work together

(1) **cooperate** with one another, (2) **cooperate** closely in various ways

The team had to **cooperate** to complete the project on time.

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.

persist

v. to continue to do and refuse to stop something despite difficulties or opposition, even if it appears unreasonable

synonym: endure, continue, carry on

(1) **persist** over time, (2) **persist** in success

Consult your doctor if the symptoms **persist**.

tribe

n. a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities

synonym : family, clan, kinsfolk

(1) aboriginal **tribe**, (2) mountain **tribe**

The **tribe** had distinctly defined gender roles.

nation-state

n. a sovereign political entity that is composed of a nation, which is a group of people who share a common cultural, linguistic, or ethnic identity

synonym : sovereignty, independence, autonomy

(1) emerging **nation-state**, (2) **nation-state** autonomy

Some people argue that the rise of globalization has weakened the power of **nation-states**.

invention

n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

synonym : creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

ideology

n. a set of beliefs or philosophies that an economic or political system is based on

synonym : credo, doctrine, principles

(1) the **ideology** of the left, (2) political **ideology**

Racial equality is an integral part of democratic **ideology**.

inward

adj. directed or facing towards the inside; inside or inward-looking

synonym : internal, introspective, interior

(1) **inward** peace, (2) **inward** cargo

The **inward** motion of the tide was gradually slowing down.

compete

v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

synonym : contend, contest, vie

(1) **compete** against a friend, (2) **compete** fiercely

You must **compete** with others to obtain this position.

anticipate

v. to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance

synonym: forecast, predict, expect

(1) **anticipate** your kind cooperation, (2) **anticipate** a black future

We **anticipate** heavy snowfall tomorrow.

ordinary

adj. not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

synonym: mundane, prosaic, average

(1) an **ordinary** school, (2) **ordinary** annual revenue

The **ordinary** session of the Diet opened.

politician

n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

synonym: congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

(1) a **politician** in the ruling party, (2) a corrupt **politician**

The **politician** lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

mandate

n. an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task

synonym: command, instruction, authority

(1) **mandate** obligation, (2) an Imperial **mandate**

The **mandate** given to the new government is to improve the economy.

slice

n. a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting

synonym: piece, portion, slit

(1) a **slice** of the company's revenue, (2) **slice** a tomato thin

The children complained because one **slice** of cake was slightly larger than the other.

territory

n. an area under the control of a ruler or state
synonym: domain, region, realm

(1) acquire **territory**, (2) **territory** in charge

They incorporated the conquered **territory** into their nation.

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.

macho

adj. characterized by a strong sense of masculinity or male dominance, often in a way that is perceived as arrogant or aggressive

synonym: masculine, aggressive, virile

(1) **macho** culture, (2) maintain a **macho** image

His **macho** posturing was just a cover for his insecurities and lack of confidence.

dual

adj. having two parts, aspects, or elements

synonym: twofold, binary, double

(1) **dual** purpose, (2) **dual** nationality

This laptop has a **dual-core** processor, making it fast and efficient.

credo

n. a statement of the beliefs or principles of a person or group

synonym: belief, doctrine, principle

(1) artist's **credo**, (2) the **credo** of a philosophy

His business **credo** was to always be honest and fair in his dealings.

banal

adj. lacking originality, creativity, or freshness; uninteresting or dull due to being overused or overly familiar

synonym: trite, mundane, dull

(1) **banal** conversation, (2) **banal** plot

The restaurant's menu had a **banal** selection of generic dishes with no unique or exciting options.

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

synonym: depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

old-fashioned

adj. of or relating to a time in the past; not modern

synonym: antiquated, ancient, outdated

(1) an **old-fashioned** person, (2) **old-fashioned** in appearance

My father is **old-fashioned** in his thinking.

imaginative

adj. having or showing new and creative ideas

synonym: creative, innovative, inventive

(1) capable of **imaginative** creation, (2) **imaginative** as a child

She is a hard worker but not very **imaginative**.

policy

n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

synonym: strategy, plan, guideline

(1) health **policy**, (2) foreign **policy**

The company's new **policy** on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

adviser

n. a person who gives advice about a particular subject

synonym: consultant, guide, expert

(1) a medical **adviser**, (2) chief **adviser**

After retiring, he continued to be an **adviser** to politicians.

harmonize

v. to bring into agreement or concord; to make compatible
synonym : reconcile, balance, match

(1) **harmonize** with others, (2) **harmonize** two different opinions

The musicians attempted to **harmonize** their voices for the chorus.

altruistic

adj. showing a selfless and disinterested concern for the happiness and well-being of other people

synonym : altruistic, philanthropic, generous

(1) **altruistic** behavior, (2) **altruistic** instincts in social animals

The company tried to build an **altruistic** image.

sacrifice

n. the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

synonym : forfeit, immolation, gift

(1) small **sacrifice** for a great cause, (2) **sacrifice** anything to get ahead

You cannot accomplish great things without a **sacrifice** of your time or money.

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.

governance

n. the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes

synonym: administration, management, direction

(1) good **governance**, (2) corporate **governance**

The United Nations assists countries in building strong **governance** frameworks and institutions.

distinction

n. a difference or contrast between similar things or people

synonym: eminence, noteworthiness, excellence

(1) important **distinction**, (2) draw a **distinction**

I can't see any **distinction** between these two concepts.

comfort

n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

synonym: ease, solace, coziness

(1) words of **comfort**, (2) **comfort** level

He found **comfort** in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

backward

adv. at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear

synonym: back, rearward, in reverse

(1) walk **backward**, (2) **backward** angle

She falls over **backward** when she sees her mother-in-law.

division

n. the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector

synonym: branch, separator, section

(1) cellular **division**, (2) **division** chief

Which **division** of the company do you work in?

split

v. to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line

synonym: break, divide, break apart

(1) **split** a bill, (2) **split** a reward equally

Companies often **split** their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.

judgment

n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

synonym: conclusion, decision, determination

(1) an emotional **judgment**, (2) deliver a **judgment**

Her **judgments** are consistently rational and sensible.

misunderstand

v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

synonym: misinterpret, misperceive, misapprehend

(1) **misunderstand** each other, (2) **misunderstand** entirely about her

You should not **misunderstand** the meaning of freedom.

insecure

adj. not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety

synonym: uncertain, unsure, unconfident

(1) an **insecure** future, (2) **insecure** attachment

Children in an unstructured environment often feel **insecure**.

vulnerable

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

synonym: susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body

Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

discard

v. to throw something away or get rid of something that you no longer wanted or need

synonym: throw away, reject, abandon

(1) **discard** old beliefs, (2) **discard** the downloaded data

He **discarded** the old torn shirt and bought a new one.

progression

n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

synonym: advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease

The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

reverse

v. to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

synonym : overturn, shift, switch

(1) **reverse** the trend, (2) **reverse** the order

The restaurant **reversed** a ban on smoking.

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.

stir

v. to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused

synonym : mix, swirl, provoke

(1) **stir** a sauce, (2) **stir** up controversy

Topics related to that war may **stir** up a political hornets' nest.

mixture

n. a combination of different elements, substances, or entities, usually in non-uniform proportions, resulting in a homogeneous or heterogeneous blend of physical or chemical properties

synonym : blend, amalgam, concoction

(1) **mixture** of emotions, (2) perfect **mixture**

The paint was a **mixture** of different pigments to achieve the desired color.

creative

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

synonym : imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

brigade

n. a military unit typically consisting of several battalions, usually commanded by a brigadier general; a group of people organized for a particular purpose or activity

synonym : squad, group, unit

(1) **brigade** commander, (2) rescue **brigade**

The culinary **brigade** prepared a delicious meal for the guests at the banquet.

creed

n. a system of beliefs or principles

synonym : doctrine, belief, principle

(1) political **creed**, (2) **creed** of faith

The **creed** of the organization emphasized hard work and dedication.

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**.

instinct

n. an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

synonym : intuition, aptitude, feeling

(1) **instinct** for self-preservation, (2) aggressive **instinct**

When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial **instinct** was to flee.

sweeping

adj. extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures

synonym : broad, extensive, vast

(1) **sweeping** changes, (2) **sweeping** landscapes

The **sweeping** views from the mountaintop were breathtaking.

Session 2: Spelling

1. ima_____ve as a child
adj. having or showing new and creative ideas
2. a criminal bac_____nd
n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
3. int_____ent systems
adj. depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected
4. cr_____ve writing
adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
5. di_____se the problem
v. to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
6. aggressive in_____ct
n. an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
7. victim of sexual ab___e
n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
8. 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.
9. emerging nat_____ate
n. a sovereign political entity that is composed of a nation, which is a group of people who share a common cultural, linguistic, or ethnic identity

ANSWERS: 1. imaginative, 2. background, 3. interdependent, 4. creative, 5. diagnose, 6. instinct, 7. abuse, 8. president, 9. nation-state

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| 10. principles of un_____al design | <i>adj.</i> existing or affecting everywhere or everyone |
| 11. s__r up controversy | <i>v.</i> to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused |
| 12. the mi_____on of birds | <i>n.</i> the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change |
| 13. the life cycle of a bu_____ly | <i>n.</i> a diurnal insect typically has a slender body with knobbed antennae and broad, colorful wings |
| 14. su_____ct reply | <i>adj.</i> concise, clear, and to the point; using as few words as possible to convey an idea or message; brief but comprehensive |
| 15. draw a dis_____on | <i>n.</i> a difference or contrast between similar things or people |
| 16. choose tr__p | <i>n.</i> a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games |
| 17. a pol_____an in the ruling party | <i>n.</i> a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc. |
| 18. pr_____s improvement | <i>n.</i> a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products |

ANSWERS: 10. universal, 11. stir, 12. migration, 13. butterfly, 14. succinct, 15. distinction, 16. trump, 17. politician, 18. process

19. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
20. 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
21. hyp_____ted technology *adj.* having multiple, complex links or relationships between different people, objects, or systems
22. lingual di_____ty *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
23. vi_____y in the law court *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
24. pa_____el processing *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
25. an in_____re future *adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety
26. important dis_____on *n.* a difference or contrast between similar things or people
27. an or_____ry school *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
28. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 19. bunch, 20. screw, 21. hyperconnected, 22. diversity, 23. victory, 24. parallel, 25. insecure, 26. distinction, 27. ordinary, 28. economy

29. pr____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
30. ec____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
31. ca_____te selection *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
32. di____d the downloaded data *v.* to throw something away or get rid of something that you no longer wanted or need
33. acquire te_____ry *n.* an area under the control of a ruler or state
34. re__n episode *n.* the act of repeating or replaying a previously aired episode of a television show or a past event or performance; (verb) to broadcast or play again an item, especially a television or radio program; to run a race or other sporting event again
35. health po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 29. propose, 30. economy, 31. candidate, 32. discard, 33. territory, 34. rerun, 35. policy

36. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
37. dis_____ion research *n.* a long and formal written treatise or discourse, often presenting research or analysis on a particular subject or topic, in support of a degree or academic qualification
38. w___e with water *v.* to clean or dry something by rubbing with a piece of cloth or paper or one's hand and removing dirt, food, or liquid
39. a corrupt pol_____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
40. hard to re___n *v.* to think or believe something
41. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
42. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
43. cr__d of faith *n.* a system of beliefs or principles
44. words of co_____t *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
45. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
46. ma_____e obligation *n.* an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task

ANSWERS: 36. decide, 37. dissertation, 38. wipe, 39. politician, 40. reckon, 41. massive, 42. statistics, 43. creed, 44. comfort, 45. consequence, 46. mandate

47. 10 AM to 7 PM, or the_____ut. *adv.* approximately; around a particular time, place, or amount
48. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
49. use of nu_____r power *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
50. the_____ut estimate *adv.* approximately; around a particular time, place, or amount
51. pr_____ct for gold *n.* the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
52. improved student ou_____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
53. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
54. no do__t about the news *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
55. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
56. a hu_____ne of applause *n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)

ANSWERS: 47. thereabout, 48. suppose, 49. nuclear, 50. thereabout, 51. prospect, 52. outcome, 53. amazing, 54. doubt, 55. individual, 56. hurricane

57. the ravages of a hu_____ne *n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
58. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
59. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
60. the cr__o of a philosophy *n.* a statement of the beliefs or principles of a person or group
61. Mi_____er for Education *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
62. nontechnical as___ts of the job *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
63. expansion of the un_____se *n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
64. the re_____er of my life *n.* the part of something that is left over when the rest has been used or taken
65. ha_____ze with others *v.* to bring into agreement or concord; to make compatible
66. di_____t ancestors *adj.* far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
67. ab_____n from food *v.* to choose not to do something, especially something that one wants to do

ANSWERS: 57. hurricane, 58. statistics, 59. massive, 60. credo, 61. minister, 62. aspect, 63. universe, 64. remainder, 65. harmonize, 66. distant, 67. abstain

68. nat_____ate autonomy *n.* a sovereign political entity that is composed of a nation, which is a group of people who share a common cultural, linguistic, or ethnic identity
69. in___d peace *adj.* directed or facing towards the inside; inside or inward-looking
70. rescue br_____e *n.* a military unit typically consisting of several battalions, usually commanded by a brigadier general; a group of people organized for a particular purpose or activity
71. th_____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
72. a vul_____le bridge *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
73. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
74. in_____ct for self-preservation *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
75. br_____e commander *n.* a military unit typically consisting of several battalions, usually commanded by a brigadier general; a group of people organized for a particular purpose or activity
76. re___n the company as a rival *v.* to think or believe something

ANSWERS: 68. nation-state, 69. inward, 70. brigade, 71. threaten, 72. vulnerable, 73. mass, 74. instinct, 75. brigade, 76. reckon

77. permanently ne_____l country	<i>adj.</i> not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.
78. chief ad_____r	<i>n.</i> a person who gives advice about a particular subject
79. si_____ly situated	<i>adv.</i> in almost the same way
80. re_____re market	<i>v.</i> to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
81. or_____ry annual revenue	<i>adj.</i> not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
82. pr_____e the amendment	<i>v.</i> to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
83. app_____ly simple	<i>adv.</i> based on what you have heard or read
84. criminal on death r_w	<i>n.</i> an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
85. ne_____l colors	<i>adj.</i> not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.
86. carbon dioxide in the atm_____re	<i>n.</i> the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
87. deputy pr__e minister	<i>adj.</i> main or most important; basic
88. ob_____s reasons	<i>adj.</i> easy to see, discover or understand
89. ma__o culture	<i>adj.</i> characterized by a strong sense of masculinity or male dominance, often in a way that is perceived as arrogant or aggressive

ANSWERS: 77. neutral, 78. adviser, 79. similarly, 80. reassure, 81. ordinary, 82. propose, 83. apparently, 84. row, 85. neutral, 86. atmosphere, 87. prime, 88. obvious, 89. macho

90. a pa____el case *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
91. the early inh_____nts of Europe *n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
92. an ou____d journey *adj.* relating to the external appearance or surface of something; visible
93. am____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
94. re__n of a TV show *n.* the act of repeating or replaying a previously aired episode of a television show or a past event or performance; (verb) to broadcast or play again an item, especially a television or radio program; to run a race or other sporting event again
95. diagnosis of an____y disorder *n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future
96. corporate gov_____ce *n.* the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes
97. prevent a la_____de *n.* a large, sudden movement of a mass of rock, earth, or other material down a slope
98. re_____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

ANSWERS: 90. parallel, 91. inhabitant, 92. outward, 93. amazing, 94. rerun, 95. anxiety, 96. governance, 97. landslide, 98. release

99. mi_____e of emotions *n.* a combination of different elements, substances, or entities, usually in non-uniform proportions, resulting in a homogeneous or heterogeneous blend of physical or chemical properties
100. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
101. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
102. sp__t a bill *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
103. d__l purpose *adj.* having two parts, aspects, or elements
104. the pro_____ion of social media *n.* a rapid or uncontrolled increase in the number or amount of something; the process of growing, producing, or spreading rapidly and excessively
105. sw_____ng landscapes *adj.* extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures
106. civil lib_____an *n.* a person who believes that people should be free to think and behave as they want and the government should only have a minimal level of control, and a person who advocates those beliefs
107. save the pl____t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

ANSWERS: 99. mixture, 100. mention, 101. nation, 102. split, 103. dual, 104. proliferation, 105. sweeping, 106. libertarian, 107. planet

108. midst of ch__s
n. a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
109. nu____r fusion
adj. of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
110. doctoral dis_____ion
n. a long and formal written treatise or discourse, often presenting research or analysis on a particular subject or topic, in support of a degree or academic qualification
111. mu____ly 5 and 6
v. to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
112. me_____n name
v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly
113. the ne_____ty of the concrete measure
n. the state or fact of being needed; anything indispensable
114. do_____ic airline
adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
115. a medical ad_____r
n. a person who gives advice about a particular subject
116. re_____e the order
v. to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
117. theory of the un_____se
n. everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

ANSWERS: 108. chaos, 109. nuclear, 110. dissertation, 111. multiply, 112. mention, 113. necessity, 114. domestic, 115. adviser, 116. reverse, 117. universe

118. help ta___e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
119. ha_____ze two different opinions *v.* to bring into agreement or concord; to make compatible
120. sta_____ne application *adj.* (of computer hardware or software) able to operate the system without being connected to other hardware or software; (also stand-alone) capable of working independently
121. PhD ca_____te *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
122. di___e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
123. be___g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
124. a bu__h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
125. ta___e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
126. vi_____y over terrorism *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
127. co_____te with one another *v.* to work together with one or more people or organizations to achieve a goal
128. foreign po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 118. tackle, 119. harmonize, 120. standalone, 121. candidate, 122. divide, 123. belong, 124. bunch, 125. tackle, 126. victory, 127. cooperate, 128. policy

129. deputy prime mi_____er *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
130. division with re_____er *n.* the part of something that is left over when the rest has been used or taken
131. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
132. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
133. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
134. hyp_____ted network *adj.* having multiple, complex links or relationships between different people, objects, or systems
135. la_____de victory *n.* a large, sudden movement of a mass of rock, earth, or other material down a slope
136. 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
137. ab_____n on a vote *v.* to choose not to do something, especially something that one wants to do
138. pe_____t over time *v.* to continue to do and refuse to stop something despite difficulties or opposition, even if it appears unreasonable

ANSWERS: 129. minister, 130. remainder, 131. responsible, 132. decision, 133. climate, 134. hyperconnected, 135. landslide, 136. democracy, 137. abstain, 138. persist

139. maintain a ma__o image *adj.* characterized by a strong sense of masculinity or male dominance, often in a way that is perceived as arrogant or aggressive
140. walk ba____rd *adv.* at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear
141. develop int_____ent skills *adj.* depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected
142. have si_____ly great abilities *adv.* in almost the same way
143. app_____ly unrelated *adv.* based on what you have heard or read
144. re_____re anxious patients *v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
145. make a fr__k apology *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
146. hold a second ref_____um *n.* a general vote in which all the people of a country can vote on an important political or social issue
147. photo in gl_____us color *adj.* having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor
148. nuclear pro_____ion *n.* a rapid or uncontrolled increase in the number or amount of something; the process of growing, producing, or spreading rapidly and excessively
149. h__l bone *n.* the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something

ANSWERS: 139. macho, 140. backward, 141. interdependent, 142. similarly, 143. apparently, 144. reassure, 145. frank, 146. referendum, 147. glorious, 148. proliferation, 149. heel

150. perfect mi____e
n. a combination of different elements, substances, or entities, usually in non-uniform proportions, resulting in a homogeneous or heterogeneous blend of physical or chemical properties
151. ba__l plot
adj. lacking originality, creativity, or freshness; uninteresting or dull due to being overused or overly familiar
152. be___g to different species
v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
153. pe____t in success
v. to continue to do and refuse to stop something despite difficulties or opposition, even if it appears unreasonable
154. co____al swimming pool
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
155. job pr____cts
n. the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
156. d__l nationality
adj. having two parts, aspects, or elements
157. res____le action
adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

ANSWERS: 150. mixture, 151. banal, 152. belong, 153. persist, 154. communal, 155. prospect, 156. dual, 157. responsible

158. di____on chief *n.* the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector
159. in____ly happy *adv.* in one's inner thoughts, feelings, emotions, or mental states; about one's internal or subjective experience
160. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
161. sp__t a reward equally *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
162. mis_____and entirely about her *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
163. a rid_____us amount of money *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
164. col_____te with the police *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
165. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
166. deliver a ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
167. di_____d old beliefs *v.* to throw something away or get rid of something that you no longer wanted or need
168. in_____re attachment *adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety
169. ba_____rd angle *adv.* at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear

ANSWERS: 158. division, 159. inwardly, 160. consequence, 161. split, 162. misunderstand, 163. ridiculous, 164. collaborate, 165. decide, 166. judgment, 167. discard, 168. insecure, 169. backward

170. ou____d cheerfulness	<i>adj.</i> relating to the external appearance or surface of something; visible
171. a remote re____ve	<i>adj.</i> considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
172. a sl__e of the company's revenue	<i>n.</i> a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting
173. ch__s theory	<i>n.</i> a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
174. ext______ary weather	<i>adj.</i> exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
175. co____t level	<i>n.</i> a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
176. ex____ng news	<i>adj.</i> causing a lot of interest or excitement
177. s__r a sauce	<i>v.</i> to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused
178. in____re with DNA synthesis	<i>v.</i> to get involved in and prevent a process or activity from continuing
179. artist's cr__o	<i>n.</i> a statement of the beliefs or principles of a person or group
180. the in____on of new techniques	<i>n.</i> the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
181. co____e fiercely	<i>v.</i> to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
182. te____ry in charge	<i>n.</i> an area under the control of a ruler or state

ANSWERS: 170. outward, 171. relative, 172. slice, 173. chaos, 174. extraordinary, 175. comfort, 176. exciting, 177. stir, 178. interfere, 179. credo, 180. invention, 181. compete, 182. territory

183. in___d cargo *adj.* directed or facing towards the inside; inside or inward-looking
184. co_____te closely in various ways *v.* to work together with one or more people or organizations to achieve a goal
185. political cr___d *n.* a system of beliefs or principles
186. bu_____ly effect *n.* a diurnal insect typically has a slender body with knobbed antennae and broad, colorful wings
187. capable of ima_____ve creation *adj.* having or showing new and creative ideas
188. di_____se with CT scans *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
189. good gov_____ce *n.* the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes
190. la___h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
191. lib_____an group *n.* a person who believes that people should be free to think and behave as they want and the government should only have a minimal level of control, and a person who advocates those beliefs
192. a do_____ic animal *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

ANSWERS: 183. inward, 184. cooperate, 185. creed, 186. butterfly, 187. imaginative, 188. diagnose, 189. governance, 190. launch, 191. libertarian, 192. domestic

193. re_____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
194. gi_____ic monsters *adj.* extremely large
195. t_n foil *n.* a silvery-white metal that is typically soft and malleable, often used to make containers or packaging materials; a thin sheet of metal or metal alloy used for a variety of purposes
196. gi_____ic proportions *adj.* extremely large
197. barren of cr_____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
198. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
199. col_____te on a press release *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
200. the id_____gy of the left *n.* a set of beliefs or philosophies that an economic or political system is based on
201. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
202. su_____ct explanation *adj.* concise, clear, and to the point; using as few words as possible to convey an idea or message; brief but comprehensive

ANSWERS: 193. represent, 194. gigantic, 195. tin, 196. gigantic, 197. creative, 198. communal, 199. collaborate, 200. ideology, 201. background, 202. succinct

203. 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.
204. en_____us amount *adj.* extremely large or great
205. mu_____ly about hundredfold *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
206. en_____us potential *adj.* extremely large or great
207. in_____re in another country's affairs *v.* to get involved in and prevent a process or activity from continuing
208. in great ne_____ty *n.* the state or fact of being needed; anything indispensable
209. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
210. ex_____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
211. small sa_____ce for a great cause *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

ANSWERS: 203. president, 204. enormous, 205. multiply, 206. enormous, 207. interfere, 208. necessity, 209. process, 210. exciting, 211. sacrifice

212. the re____ic of art *n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
213. the characters that re_____nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
214. a gl____us victory *adj.* having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor
215. W__e off dirt *v.* to clean or dry something by rubbing with a piece of cloth or paper or one's hand and removing dirt, food, or liquid
216. co_____e against a friend *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
217. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
218. old_____ned in appearance *adj.* of or relating to a time in the past; not modern
219. a r_w of cherry trees *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
220. as___ts of social, political, and economic life *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
221. pro_____on of disease *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
222. ant_____te a black future *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance

ANSWERS: 212. republic, 213. represent, 214. glorious, 215. wipe, 216. compete, 217. invention, 218. old-fashioned, 219. row, 220. aspect, 221. progression, 222. anticipate

223. alt_____ic instincts in social animals
adj. showing a selfless and disinterested concern for the happiness and well-being of other people
224. a di_____t memory
adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
225. protest in_____ly
adv. in one's inner thoughts, feelings, emotions, or mental states; about one's internal or subjective experience
226. an Imperial ma_____e
n. an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task
227. mountain tr___e
n. a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities
228. political id_____gy
n. a set of beliefs or philosophies that an economic or political system is based on
229. mis_____and each other
v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
230. 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
231. pre-mo___n agricultural society
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
232. 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: 223. altruistic, 224. distant, 225. inwardly, 226. mandate, 227. tribe, 228. ideology, 229. misunderstand, 230. diversity, 231. modern, 232. decision

233. la___h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
234. h__t of trouble *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
235. telescopic vi___n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
236. fr__k and open discussion *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
237. inh_____nt tax *n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
238. domestic af___rs *n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship
239. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
240. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
241. h__l wrestler *n.* the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something
242. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
243. pr__e number *adj.* main or most important; basic

ANSWERS: 233. launch, 234. hint, 235. vision, 236. frank, 237. inhabitant, 238. affair, 239. release, 240. modern, 241. heel, 242. divide, 243. prime

244. po____e the thread *v.* to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals
245. pro_____on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
246. a rid_____us suggestion *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
247. 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
248. the problem of drug ab__e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
249. current af____rs *n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship
250. overseas mi_____on *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
251. pl____t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
252. vul_____le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
253. art cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
254. an_____y for knowledge *n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future

ANSWERS: 244. pollute, 245. progression, 246. ridiculous, 247. vision, 248. abuse, 249. affair, 250. migration, 251. planet, 252. vulnerable, 253. critic, 254. anxiety

255. un_____al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
256. sl__e a tomato thin *n.* a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting
257. dispel do__ts *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
258. alt_____ic behavior *adj.* showing a selfless and disinterested concern for the happiness and well-being of other people
259. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
260. a desirable ou_____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
261. ref_____um on abortion *n.* a general vote in which all the people of a country can vote on an important political or social issue
262. severe cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
263. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
264. pa_____c-natured disposition *adj.* peaceful in character or intent; tending to lessen or avoid conflict; calm or soothing in manner or tone; (noun, as "Pacific") the largest and deepest of Earth's oceanic divisions
265. tr__p card *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

ANSWERS: 255. universal, 256. slice, 257. doubt, 258. altruistic, 259. individual, 260. outcome, 261. referendum, 262. critic, 263. nation, 264. pacific, 265. trump

266. sa_____ce anything to get ahead *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
267. el__t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
268. an emotional ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
269. an old_____ned person *adj.* of or relating to a time in the past; not modern
270. 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
271. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
272. helpful h__ts *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
273. ant_____te your kind cooperation *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance
274. ba__l conversation *adj.* lacking originality, creativity, or freshness; uninteresting or dull due to being overused or overly familiar
275. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

ANSWERS: 266. sacrifice, 267. elect, 268. judgment, 269. old-fashioned, 270. screw, 271. mass, 272. hint, 273. anticipate, 274. banal, 275. suppose

276. ent_____tic audience *adj.* having or showing great excitement, interest, or eagerness; energetic or passionate about something
277. re_____ic democracy *n.* a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch
278. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
279. aboriginal tr___e *n.* a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities
280. 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
281. cellular di_____on *n.* the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector
282. sw_____ng changes *adj.* extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures
283. re_____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
284. el__t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

ANSWERS: 276. enthusiastic, 277. republic, 278. climate, 279. tribe, 280. democracy, 281. division, 282. sweeping, 283. relative, 284. elect

285. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
286. sta_____ne approach *adj.* (of computer hardware or software) able to operate the system without being connected to other hardware or software; (also stand-alone) capable of working independently
287. th_____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
288. po_____e the air *v.* to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals
289. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
290. a convivial atm_____re *n.* the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
291. ent_____tic football fan *adj.* having or showing great excitement, interest, or eagerness; energetic or passionate about something
292. re_____e the trend *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
293. t_n can *n.* a silvery-white metal that is typically soft and malleable, often used to make containers or packaging materials; a thin sheet of metal or metal alloy used for a variety of purposes

ANSWERS: 285. extraordinary, 286. standalone, 287. threaten, 288. pollute, 289. obvious, 290. atmosphere, 291. enthusiastic, 292. reverse, 293. tin

294. the Pa____c Ocean

adj. peaceful in character or intent; tending to lessen or avoid conflict; calm or soothing in manner or tone; (noun, as "Pacific") the largest and deepest of Earth's oceanic divisions

ANSWERS: 294. pacific

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ had distinctly defined gender roles.
n. a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities

2. His business _____ was to always be honest and fair in his dealings.
n. a statement of the beliefs or principles of a person or group

3. 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

4. The team had to _____ to complete the project on time.
v. to work together with one or more people or organizations to achieve a goal

5. The _____ is about 13.8 billion years old.
n. everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

6. I missed the episode of my favorite show, so I hope they will air a _____ soon.
n. the act of repeating or replaying a previously aired episode of a television show or a past event or performance; (verb) to broadcast or play again an item, especially a television or radio program; to run a race or other sporting event again

7. The sun set over the crest of _____ hills.
adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship

ANSWERS: 1. tribe, 2. credo, 3. responsible, 4. cooperate, 5. universe, 6. rerun, 7. distant

8. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

9. We argue that wages for temporary workers should _____ rise.

adv. in almost the same way

10. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.

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

11. 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

12. The roof of the old shed was made of rusty _____.

n. a silvery-white metal that is typically soft and malleable, often used to make containers or packaging materials; a thin sheet of metal or metal alloy used for a variety of purposes

13. My father is _____ in his thinking.

adj. of or relating to a time in the past; not modern

14. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

15. She was _____ about starting her new job.

adj. having or showing great excitement, interest, or eagerness; energetic or passionate about something

16. Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as _____ but was later proven correct.

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

ANSWERS: 8. massive, 9. similarly, 10. tackle, 11. screw, 12. tin, 13. old-fashioned, 14. Communal, 15. enthusiastic, 16. ridiculous

17. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.
- n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
18. Companies often _____ their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.
- v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
19. Every five years, the provincial governors are _____.
- v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
20. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?
- v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
21. _____ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.
- n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
22. The pilot tried to _____ the customers that the planes were safe.
- v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
23. When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial _____ was to flee.
- n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
24. 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: 17. background, 18. split, 19. elected, 20. divide, 21. Doubt, 22. reassure, 23. instinct, 24. vision

25. The _____ of the organization emphasized hard work and dedication.
n. a system of beliefs or principles
26. Please _____ your sweat with this towel.
v. to clean or dry something by rubbing with a piece of cloth or paper or one's hand and removing dirt, food, or liquid
27. 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
28. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.
v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement
29. She is a hard worker but not very _____.
adj. having or showing new and creative ideas
30. Full involvement means _____ and prompt responses.
adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
31. Racial equality is an integral part of democratic _____.
n. a set of beliefs or philosophies that an economic or political system is based on
32. He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front _____.
n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
33. He _____ that corruption was rampant in the regime.
v. to think or believe something

ANSWERS: 25. creed, 26. wipe, 27. individual, 28. release, 29. imaginative, 30. frank, 31. ideology, 32. row, 33. reckons

34. We are optimistic about our final _____.
- n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
35. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.
- adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
36. The _____ appearance of the building was impressive, but the inside was in dire need of repairs.
- adj.* relating to the external appearance or surface of something; visible
37. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
38. My _____ topic focuses on the impact of social media on mental health.
- n.* a long and formal written treatise or discourse, often presenting research or analysis on a particular subject or topic, in support of a degree or academic qualification
39. Some critics say this exhibition will be a big _____.
- n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship
40. 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
41. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.
- v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

ANSWERS: 34. victory, 35. vulnerable, 36. outward, 37. statistics, 38. dissertation, 39. affair, 40. decide, 41. launch

42. His _____ posturing was just a cover for his insecurities and lack of confidence.

adj. characterized by a strong sense of masculinity or male dominance, often in a way that is perceived as arrogant or aggressive

43. Necessity is the mother of _____.

n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

44. Your talking _____ with my work.

v. to get involved in and prevent a process or activity from continuing

45. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.

n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

46. The children complained because one _____ of cake was slightly larger than the other.

n. a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting

47. They incorporated the conquered _____ into their nation.

n. an area under the control of a ruler or state

48. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.

n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

49. The world has become increasingly _____ with the internet and social media playing a significant role in communication and information exchange.

adj. having multiple, complex links or relationships between different people, objects, or systems

ANSWERS: 42. macho, 43. invention, 44. interferes, 45. planet, 46. slice, 47. territory, 48. consequences, 49. hyperconnected,

50. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

51. They adopted a _____ approach to resolving their differences, emphasizing dialogue and understanding.

adj. peaceful in character or intent; tending to lessen or avoid conflict; calm or soothing in manner or tone; (noun, as "Pacific") the largest and deepest of Earth's oceanic divisions

52. He was so hungry from the long journey that he had a _____ appetite.

adj. extremely large

53. We _____ heavy snowfall tomorrow.

v. to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance

54. The _____ given to the new government is to improve the economy.

n. an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task

55. The conference room was in _____ as everyone tried to speak at once.

n. a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control

56. He found _____ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

57. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.

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

ANSWERS: 50. mentioned, 51. pacific, 52. gigantic, 53. anticipate, 54. mandate, 55. chaos, 56. comfort, 57. modern

58. She wore high _____ to the party.

n. the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something

59. He emphasized the _____ of immediate action.

n. the state or fact of being needed; anything indispensable

60. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

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

61. Shakespeare's output of poetry was _____.

adj. extremely large or great

62. She falls over _____ when she sees her mother-in-law.

adv. at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear

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

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

64. The company's new _____ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

65. I live in a small town _____ miles from the city.

adv. approximately; around a particular time, place, or amount

ANSWERS: 58. heels, 59. necessity, 60. propose, 61. enormous, 62. backward, 63. process, 64. policy, 65. thereabout 50

66. She _____ wished that she had prepared more for the exam.

adv. in one's inner thoughts, feelings, emotions, or mental states; about one's internal or subjective experience

67. The _____ lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

68. The spaceship began to burn up as it approached the Earth's _____.

n. the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work

69. The _____ motion of the tide was gradually slowing down.

adj. directed or facing towards the inside; inside or inward-looking

70. 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

71. The restaurant's menu had a _____ selection of generic dishes with no unique or exciting options.

adj. lacking originality, creativity, or freshness; uninteresting or dull due to being overused or overly familiar

72. You cannot accomplish great things without a _____ of your time or money.

n. the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

73. Which _____ of the company do you work in?

n. the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector

ANSWERS: 66. inwardly, 67. politician, 68. atmosphere, 69. inward, 70. anxiety, 71. banal, 72. sacrifice, 73. division

74. The company has made great strides in its _____ toward sustainability.
n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
75. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for _____ of authority.
n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
76. The restaurant _____ a ban on smoking.
v. to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
77. He _____ the old torn shirt and bought a new one.
v. to throw something away or get rid of something that you no longer wanted or need
78. Consult your doctor if the symptoms _____.
v. to continue to do and refuse to stop something despite difficulties or opposition, even if it appears unreasonable
79. The United Nations assists countries in building strong _____ frameworks and institutions.
n. the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes
80. I choose a _____ death rather than a shameful life.
adj. having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor
81. The _____ views from the mountaintop were breathtaking.
adj. extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures

ANSWERS: 74. progression, 75. abuse, 76. reversed, 77. discarded, 78. persist, 79. governance, 80. glorious, 81. sweeping

82. The government had a constitutional _____.

n. a general vote in which all the people of a country can vote on an important political or social issue

83. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

84. My manager gave me a _____ summary of the project's goals and objectives.

adj. concise, clear, and to the point; using as few words as possible to convey an idea or message; brief but comprehensive

85. The musicians attempted to _____ their voices for the chorus.

v. to bring into agreement or concord; to make compatible

86. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

87. You should not _____ the meaning of freedom.

v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

88. There was no _____ of a problem.

n. an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something

89. The _____ of starting a new business can be both exciting and daunting.

n. the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals

ANSWERS: 82. referendum, 83. obvious, 84. succinct, 85. harmonize, 86. threatening, 87. misunderstand, 88. hint, 89. prospect

90. The _____ occasionally preaches at this church.

n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

91. The culinary _____ prepared a delicious meal for the guests at the banquet.

n. a military unit typically consisting of several battalions, usually commanded by a brigadier general; a group of people organized for a particular purpose or activity

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

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

93. His family is the oldest _____ of the island.

n. a person or an animal that lives in a particular place

94. Children in an unstructured environment often feel _____.

adj. not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety

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. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

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

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

ANSWERS: 90. minister, 91. brigade, 92. migration, 93. inhabitant, 94. insecure, 95. president, 96. creative, 97. trump

98. Her _____ are consistently rational and sensible.

n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

99. Western liberal democracy serves as the foundation for the _____ philosophy of the media.

n. a person who believes that people should be free to think and behave as they want and the government should only have a minimal level of control, and a person who advocates those beliefs

100. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

101. 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

102. The devastating _____ caused widespread damage and left many people homeless.

n. a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)

103. The picture earned near-_____ acclaim from critics.

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

104. He enjoys collecting _____ specimens.

n. a diurnal insect typically has a slender body with knobbed antennae and broad, colorful wings

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

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

ANSWERS: 98. judgments, 99. libertarian, 100. critics, 101. nation, 102. hurricane, 103. universal, 104. butterfly, 105. belong

106. _____ 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

107. This laptop has a _____ processor, making it fast and efficient.

adj. having two parts, aspects, or elements

108. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

109. He walked a road _____ to the railroad.

adj. being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations

110. The _____ session of the Diet opened.

adj. not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

111. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

112. You must _____ with others to obtain this position.

v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

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

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

114. 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

ANSWERS: 106. Democracy, 107. dual-core, 108. relatives, 109. parallel, 110. ordinary, 111. bunch, 112. compete, 113. suppose, 114. diversity

115. After retiring, he continued to be an _____ to politicians.

n. a person who gives advice about a particular subject

116. Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of _____ weapons.

adj. of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

117. Some people argue that the rise of globalization has weakened the power of _____.

n. a sovereign political entity that is composed of a nation, which is a group of people who share a common cultural, linguistic, or ethnic identity

118. She chose to _____ from alcohol at the party.

v. to choose not to do something, especially something that one wants to do

119. We never prescribe medication as a _____ treatment.

adj. (of computer hardware or software) able to operate the system without being connected to other hardware or software; (also stand-alone) capable of working independently

120. We should do our best not to _____ the environment.

v. to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals

121. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.

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

122. Topics related to that war may _____ up a political hornets' nest.

v. to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused

ANSWERS: 115. adviser, 116. nuclear, 117. nation-states, 118. abstain, 119. standalone, 120. pollute, 121. outcome, 122. stir

123. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
- n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
124. GDP stands for gross _____ product.
- adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
125. The _____ of the cake was put in the fridge for tomorrow.
- n.* the part of something that is left over when the rest has been used or taken
126. 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
127. The paint was a _____ of different pigments to achieve the desired color.
- n.* a combination of different elements, substances, or entities, usually in non-uniform proportions, resulting in a homogeneous or heterogeneous blend of physical or chemical properties
128. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
- n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
129. The _____ platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.
- n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant

ANSWERS: 123. economy, 124. domestic, 125. remainder, 126. decision, 127. mixture, 128. mass, 129. candidate's

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

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

131. The _____ of fast-food restaurants has contributed to the obesity epidemic.

n. a rapid or uncontrolled increase in the number or amount of something; the process of growing, producing, or spreading rapidly and excessively

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

adj. depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected

133. This device is used to _____ brain cancer and other tumors.

v. to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis

134. His professional experience includes all _____ of media production.

n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

135. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.

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

136. I can't see any _____ between these two concepts.

n. a difference or contrast between similar things or people

137. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

ANSWERS: 130. collaborate, 131. proliferation, 132. interdependent, 133. diagnose, 134. aspects, 135. extraordinary, 136. distinction, 137. represent

138. _____ a number by itself twice.

v. to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity

139. The massive _____ buried the small village under a thick layer of rock and dirt.

n. a large, sudden movement of a mass of rock, earth, or other material down a slope

140. A legislative speaker should always be _____.

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

141. The company tried to build an _____ image.

adj. showing a selfless and disinterested concern for the happiness and well-being of other people

142. The United States is a federal presidential constitutional _____.

n. a state or country in which the people and their elected representatives hold supreme power and which has an elected or nominated president rather than a monarch

143. The police _____ believed this explanation was plausible.

adv. based on what you have heard or read

144. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

145. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

ANSWERS: 138. Multiply, 139. landslide, 140. neutral, 141. altruistic, 142. republic, 143. apparently, 144. exciting, 145. amazing

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

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

147. After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the _____ suspect.

adj. main or most important; basic

ANSWERS: 146. Climate, 147. prime