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Session 1: Word List

revolution

n. a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

synonym: coup, innovation, rebellion

(1) beginning of the industrial **revolution**, (2) a political **revolution**

The **revolution** by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

actress

n. a female actor, particularly in the theater or movies

synonym: performer, player, star

(1) an **actress** of real quality, (2) a well-known **actress**

The acclaimed **actress** received an Oscar for her outstanding performance in the film.

magic

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

synonym: fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

storytelling

n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories

synonym: narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**
She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

ripe *adj.* (of fruit or crops) fully developed and ready to be eaten or harvested
synonym: mature, ready, developed
(1) a **ripe** old age, (2) **ripe** tomato
The fruit was **ripe** and ready to eat.

graduated *adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
synonym: completed, finished, earned
(1) **graduated** taxation, (2) **graduated** flask
She was a **graduated** student of a prestigious university.

academy *n.* a school for special training; a type of official organization that aims to encourage and develop standards in its particular field
synonym: school, institute, college
(1) an **academy** of music, (2) a member of the **Academy**
Her new documentary earned her an **Academy** Award.

dramatic *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
synonym: striking, theatrical, breathtaking
(1) make **dramatic** changes, (2) a **dramatic** rescue at sea
The statement had a **dramatic** impact on house prices.

bush *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
synonym: copse, scrub, brushwood
(1) trees and **bushes**, (2) a **bush** of hair
I am going to trim this **bush** off.

rage *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
synonym: fury, anger, outrage

(1) uncontrollable **rage**, (2) fall into a **rage**

She was filled with a burning **rage** at the injustice she had witnessed.

feminist

adj. describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women;
(noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women

synonym : egalitarian

(1) **feminist** movement, (2) **feminist** perspective

The **feminist** ideals of inclusivity and diversity are important in creating a more just and equal world.

obsess

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

synonym : torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

conversation

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

synonym : chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

problematic

adj. full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve

synonym : inappropriate, inconvenient, worrisome

(1) a **problematic** situation, (2) seems to be highly **problematic**

Direct democracy is effective in quickly resolving **problematic** situations within a community.

gender

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

differences in biology

synonym : sexuality

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

Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

construct

v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

synonym : build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

reinforce

v. to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger

synonym : strengthen, fortify, support

(1) **reinforce** the military, (2) **reinforce** good behavior

We should **reinforce** the troops at the front line.

graduate

n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

synonym : alumna, alum, grad

(1) **graduate** degree program, (2) honor **graduate**

Many employers hire **graduate** trainees to train as managers.

audit

n. an official inspection of the accounting procedures and records of business by a trained accountant or CPA that is independent of the subject; a methodical inspection or review of a specific condition or situation

synonym : review, examination, inspection

(1) **audit** the books, (2) **audit** accounts

Our company will be **audited** by an accountant next week.

complicated

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

synonym : complex, convoluted, intricate

(1) a **complicated** process, (2) become increasingly **complicated**

He did **complicated** pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

complexity

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory

The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

confident

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

synonym: certain, sure, convinced

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

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

wrestling

n. a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground

synonym: grappling, fighting, brawling

(1) **wrestling** match, (2) arm **wrestling**

He had always been interested in sumo **wrestling** and decided to try it.

gorgeous

adj. wonderful and attractive

synonym: beautiful, stunning, attractive

(1) a **gorgeous** meal, (2) **gorgeous** sunset

She wore a **gorgeous** dress to the party, which everyone admired.

talented

adj. having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area

synonym: gifted, able, skilled

(1) a very **talented** actor, (2) **talented** athlete

She is a **talented** musician, able to play several instruments.

dialogue

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film

synonym: conversation, discussion, talk

(1) Platonic **dialogues**, (2) the form of a **dialogue**

He recorded the **dialogue** at the time of the incident.

balcony

n. a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space

synonym: terrace, veranda, deck

(1) **balcony** view, (2) **balcony** seating

They enjoyed a romantic dinner on the **balcony** overlooking the city.

forlorn

adj. appearing sad or lonely, abandoned, or hopeless; marked by feelings of despair or melancholy; isolated or destitute

synonym: despondent, hopeless, abandoned

(1) **forlorn** hope, (2) **forlorn** state

She wandered through the empty city streets with a **forlorn** expression.

nudity

n. the state or condition of being naked or unclothed; the absence of clothing, typically applied to the human body

synonym: nakedness, bareness, undress

(1) **nudity** in art, (2) accidental **nudity**

The art exhibit featured a few sculptures that portrayed **nudity**.

attractive

adj. immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable

synonym: beautiful, fetching, alluring

(1) **attractive** men, (2) **attractive** opportunity

The growth of the "sharing economy" is **attractive** for tech companies.

flirt

v. to talk or behave as if sexually attracted to someone, without serious intentions; (noun) a seductive woman

who uses her sex appeal to exploit men

synonym : tease

(1) **flirt** with him, (2) **flirt** like a schoolgirl

My husband never **flirts** with other women.

tasteful

adj. having aesthetic or decorative qualities that are appealing, elegant, and refined, often associated with good judgment and good taste in art, fashion, or design

synonym : appealing, attractive, elegant

(1) **tasteful** decor, (2) **tasteful** clothing

The interior design of the hotel was very **tasteful** and luxurious.

gang

n. a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity

synonym : crew, posse, group

(1) a motorcycle **gang**, (2) **gang** member

The street **gang** was known for its violent behavior.

rap

n. a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

synonym : hip-hop, emceeing, MCing

(1) **rap** music, (2) get a **rap**

The new **rap** album is getting a lot of attention.

cast

v. to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

synonym : throw, project, select

(1) **cast** a ballot, (2) **cast** a charming eye

This accident **cast** a dark shadow over their lives.

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.

agent

n. a person who represents and negotiates on behalf of someone else, such as a literary agent or talent agent; (of chemistry and medicine) a substance that brings about a chemical or physical effect; (of computer science) a piece of software that performs a task autonomously

synonym: representative, delegate, envoy

(1) **agent** system, (2) antidiarrheal **agent**

The FBI **agent** went undercover to infiltrate the criminal organization.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate

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

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

relegate

v. to assign or dismiss to a lower or less important status or place; to demote

synonym: demote, assign, transfer

(1) **relegate** a matter to another authority, (2) **relegate** task

The underperforming team was **relegated** to a lower division.

insane

adj. extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill

synonym: crazy, mad, foolish

(1) go **insane** with pleasure, (2) an **insane** scheme

Her excessive demands drove me **insane**.

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.

accidentally

adv. by chance or without planning

synonym : by chance, unintentionally, unwittingly

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

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

hire

v. to give somebody a job

synonym : employ, engage, lease

(1) **hire** a guide, (2) **hire** a car by the hour

We should always be prepared to **hire** talented recruits.

onboard

v. to become or make part of a team, group, or system; to install, activate, or begin using a piece of equipment or software; (adjective) included or integrated into a particular system, machine, or device

synonym : embark, aboard, on-load

(1) **onboard** the new employees, (2) **onboard** computer

The passengers were instructed to **onboard** the aircraft as quickly as possible so that the flight could depart on time.

scrape

v. to draw something along a rough or hard surface, typically to remove dirt or other matter

synonym : scratch, graze, rub

(1) **scrape** meat off a bone, (2) **scrape** a hole in the ground

He **scraped** the mud off his boots before entering the house.

festival

n. a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works

synonym : fair, holiday, celebration

(1) **festival** attendee, (2) international film **festival**

The music **festival** attracts visitors from all over the world.

award

n. a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement

synonym : prize, honor, accolade

(1) **award** ceremony, (2) participation **award**

He won the **award** for best actor at the film festival.

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.

rub

v. to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure

synonym : scrub, massage, stroke

(1) **rub** shoulders, (2) **rub** a glass window

She **rubbed** the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.

invite

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

synonym : ask, request, summon

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

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

panel

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

synonym : board, commission, discussion

(1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym : consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

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.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

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.

reaction

n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude;
(in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others

synonym: response, reply, answer

(1) chemical **reaction**, (2) trigger a **reaction**

There was a chemical **reaction** of the lime with the groundwater.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym: abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

nominee

n. a person who is proposed as a candidate or contender for a position, award, or honor

synonym: candidate, contender, applicant

(1) oscar **nominee**, (2) presidential **nominee**

The **nominee** for the upcoming election vows to make positive changes in their community.

casual

adj. relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness

synonym : informal, relaxed, offhand

(1) **casual** dress, (2) take a **casual** glance

They had a **casual** conversation over coffee at the local cafe.

unconscious

adj. in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness

synonym : comatose, paralyzed, senseless

(1) **unconscious** bias, (2) a person who is **unconscious**

I know his **unconscious** habit that he touches his face when he lies.

genuine

adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

synonym : actual, honest, unpretending

(1) a **genuine** article, (2) show **genuine** regret

Is this painting **genuine** or forged?

desire

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

synonym : ambition, appetite, greed

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

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

stick

v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

synonym : pierce, adhere, stay

(1) **stick** a key in a lock, (2) fire **stick**

You **stick** a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym : alter, convert, change

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

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

shark

n. a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

synonym: swindler, con artist, crook

(1) a man-eating **shark**, (2) card **shark**

He borrowed money from a loan **shark**.

bond

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

synonym: bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

franchise

n. a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election

synonym: dealership, enterprise, suffrage

(1) **franchise** agreement, (2) **franchise** owner

The fast-food **franchise** kept expanding and opening new restaurants across the country.

brave

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

synonym: courageous, valiant, heroic

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

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

hunger

n. a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a

chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition

synonym : appetite, craving, starvation

(1) **hunger** pangs, (2) chronic **hunger**

Many people in the world suffer from **hunger** and malnourishment every day.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym : take part, partake, enter

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

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

archery

n. the sport or practice of using a bow and arrows to shoot at a target

synonym : bow and arrow, marksmanship

(1) practice **archery**, (2) **archery** equipment

The **archery** tournament attracted contestants from all over the country.

emotion

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

synonym : feeling, sentiment, passion

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

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

identity

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

synonym : character, personality, individuality

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

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

relation

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

synonym: association, linkage, connection

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

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

marital

adj. of or relating to marriage

synonym: wedded, connubial, matrimonial

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

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

lifetime

n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

synonym: lifespan, duration

(1) **lifetime** benefits, (2) **lifetime** ban from the sport

She had lived through two world wars in her **lifetime**.

scanty

adj. insufficient in quantity or extent; meager, limited, or inadequate; lacking in amount or supply

synonym: meager, insufficient, limited

(1) **scanty** resources, (2) **scanty** information

The party's budget was cut, resulting in a **scanty** amount of food and drinks for the guests.

clad

adj. dressed or covered in a particular way; provided or protected with a particular material or substance

synonym: dressed, covered, attired

(1) **clad** completely in black, (2) **clad** in armor

The athlete was **clad** in a tight-fitting suit designed to reduce drag and improve performance.

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.

frivolous

adj. not serious or sensible; silly or unimportant

synonym : silly, foolish, unimportant

(1) **frivolous** lawsuits, (2) engage in **frivolous** conversation

He was accused of being **frivolous** and not taking his responsibilities seriously.

mechanism

n. a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction

synonym : means, method, system

(1) the **mechanism** for DNA replication, (2) defense **mechanism**

He discovered unique **mechanisms** for photochemical reactions.

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.

develop

v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

synonym : evolve, progress, advance

(1) **develop** a strategy, (2) **develop** a skill

We must **develop** a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

funnel

n. a tube or pipe that is wide at the top, sloping sides, narrow at the bottom, used for pouring liquids or powders into a small opening; a smokestack on a ship or steam engine

synonym: filter, chimney

(1) separatory **funnel**, (2) a **funnel-shaped** device

We have to use a **funnel** to pour petrol into the tank.

prism

n. a three-dimensional object with a triangular base and parallel sides, which refracts (= to bend something) light that passes through it, resulting in the separation and display of the colors of the visible spectrum; a metaphorical term used to describe a situation that reveals or illuminates various aspects or perspectives of a particular phenomenon or topic

synonym: crystal, polyhedron

(1) **prism** spectrometer, (2) a **prism** of viewpoints

The scientist used an optical **prism** to analyze the dispersion of light in the laboratory experiment.

perspective

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

synonym: viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle

His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

deserve

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

synonym: merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize

The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work

and dedication.

yell v. to shout in a sudden and loud way
synonym: shout, scream, cry
(1) **yell** for help, (2) **yell** as loud as we can
When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and **yelled** at me.

paramount *adj.* more important than anything else; having superior power and influence or the highest position
synonym: central, major, crucial
(1) the lord **paramount**, (2) **paramount** to all the others
This country became a country of **paramount** geostrategic importance to us.

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.

slate *n.* a flat piece of rock or stone that is typically used as a roofing or flooring material; a list of candidates for an election arranged in a specific order
synonym: chalkboard, blackboard, tablet
(1) **slate** tile, (2) **slate** roof
We need to add more names to the **slate** of candidates for the upcoming election.

conscience *n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior
synonym: morality, ethics, scruples
(1) inner **conscience**, (2) guilty **conscience**
He couldn't bear the thought of acting against his **conscience**, even if it meant losing the job.

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym: approach, procedure, scenario

(1) military **strategy**, (2) develop a **strategy**

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

filmmaker

n. a person who makes films, typically as a profession

synonym: director, producer, cinematographer

(1) non-fiction **filmmaker**, (2) a successful **filmmaker**

The renowned **filmmaker** won several awards for his latest film.

micro

n. extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth

(1) **micro** bubble, (2) **micro** force sensor

This approach employs both **micro** and macro analysis methods.

slightly

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

synonym: barely, narrowly, scarcely

(1) increase **slightly**, (2) **slightly** alkaline soils

He moved his body **slightly** to the left.

indie

adj. (short for independent) relating to a style or genre of music, film, or literature that is produced without the backing or support of a major commercial company, often associated with a DIY (do-it-yourself) ethos or subculture

synonym: independent, alternative, underground

(1) **indie** music, (2) **indie** film

This restaurant is known for its **indie** approach to cuisine, using locally sourced and sustainable ingredients.

studio

n. a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

synonym: workshop, atelier, room

(1) a photo **studio**, (2) music **studio**

She works at a recording **studio** in Los Angeles.

meritocratic

adj. based on the principle that the talented should be chosen and moved ahead based on their achievements

synonym : merit-based, fair, unbiased

(1) **meritocratic** society, (2) **meritocratic** evaluation

The company prides itself on being **meritocratic** in its hiring and promotion practices.

trajectory

n. the curved path followed by an object moving through space

synonym : course, curve, orbit

(1) career **trajectory**, (2) a **trajectory** missile

The company has shown an excellent growth **trajectory** over the years.

systemic

adj. affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

(1) the **systemic** arteries, (2) **systemic** reforms of the organization

This vaccine causes mild **systemic** side effects.

vast

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

synonym : expansive, extended, boundless

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

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

untapped

adj. not yet used or exploited

synonym : unexplored, untouched, untried

(1) **untapped** market, (2) **untapped** potential

The forest held many **untapped** resources that could be used for commercial purposes.

feat

n. a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

synonym : achievement, accomplishment, exploit

(1) intellectual **feat**, (2) **feat** accomplishment

It is an incredible **feat** to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

colleague

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

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

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

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

commit

v. to do something illegal or wrong

synonym: engage, carry out, execute

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

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

invest

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

synonym: fund, sponsor, support

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

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

screenwriter

n. a writer who writes or creates scripts, screenplays, or stories for movies, television shows, or other visual media

synonym: scriptwriter, playwright

(1) aspiring **screenwriter**, (2) experienced **screenwriter**

The movie's success was largely attributed to the **screenwriter's** cleverly written script.

giant

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

synonym: big, gigantic, huge

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

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

underserved

adj. inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services

(1) **underserved** market, (2) traditionally **underserved**
This area is medically **underserved**.

profit

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

synonym: earnings, gain, proceeds

(1) gross **profit**, (2) make a **profit**

This business yields little **profit**.

disenfranchise

v. to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote

synonym: deny, exclude, marginalize

(1) **disenfranchise** voters, (2) **disenfranchise** citizens

The new citizenship laws will **disenfranchise** many immigrants.

principle

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

synonym: rule, creed, code

(1) **principle** of treatment, (2) **principle** in business

Efficiency isn't an essential **principle** here; fairness is.

pledge

v. to make a formal promise to give or do something

synonym: promise, assure, guarantee

(1) **pledge** my fidelity, (2) **pledge** military assistance

At this ceremony, We will **pledge** allegiance to the country's flag.

database

n. a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily

(1) **database** administrator, (2) employee **database**

Each country's officials can access the central **database**.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym: affecting, impactful, impressive

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

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

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym: transition, change, modification

(1) Doppler **shift**, (2) major paradigm **shift**

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

sizable

adj. large in size or amount

synonym: large, significant, considerable

(1) **sizable** portion, (2) **sizable** audience

He has a **sizable** fortune and is one of the wealthiest people in the city.

constantly

adv. all the time

synonym: continuously, always, frequently

(1) a **constantly** innovative enterprise, (2) a **constantly** varying mind

The mobile application industry is **constantly** changing.

permit

v. to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization

synonym: allow, authorize, concede

(1) **permit** application, (2) work **permit**

The teacher will not **permit** any students to leave the classroom early.

eccentric

adj. weird or unusual, sometimes in a funny way

synonym: bizarre, abnormal, curious

(1) display **eccentric** behavior, (2) **eccentric** characters

He was **eccentric**, but he was also a genius.

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**.

fellow

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

synonym: buddy, mate, affiliate

(1) junior **fellow**, (2) nice **fellow**

He is the kind of **fellow** who only works for his success.

cult

n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

synonym: sect, faith, religion

(1) **cult** members, (2) **cult's** practices

The **cult** leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

cease

v. to stop an action or event

synonym: stop, end, terminate

(1) **cease** to exist, (2) **cease** drinking

The company decided to **cease** production of the product.

crowd-funding

n. a method of raising funds or capital for a project, venture, or cause by obtaining contributions from a large number of individuals, typically through an online platform or website

synonym: crowd-sourcing, crowd-financing

(1) **crowd-funding** initiatives, (2) **crowd-funding** platforms

The entrepreneur launched a successful **crowd-funding** campaign to finance her innovative startup.

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**.

hurdle

n. a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome

synonym : obstacle, barrier, challenge

(1) overcome **hurdles**, (2) **hurdle** race

The company faced several **hurdles** in the development of its new product.

disrupt

v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

synonym : interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition, (2) **disrupt** sleep

I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

businessperson

n. a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive

synonym : entrepreneur, executive

(1) a young **businessperson**, (2) **businessperson** network

He was a successful **businessperson** and had much experience in the field.

entrepreneur

n. an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks

synonym : founder, executive

(1) a successful **entrepreneur**, (2) billionaire **entrepreneur**

Entrepreneurs willingly accept business risks to achieve success.

enact

v. to make a law; to put something into practice

synonym : legislate, pass, decree

(1) **enact** new legislation, (2) **enact** the smoking ban

The government **enacted** this law in 1925.

financing

n. the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project

synonym : funding, loan, expenditure

(1) **financing** activity, (2) public **financing**

The investment fund offered **financing** for a company on the brink of bankruptcy.

distribute

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

synonym : broadcast, disperse, hand out

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

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

crumble

v. to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support

synonym : disintegrate, collapse, deteriorate

(1) **crumble** to dust, (2) began to **crumble** under financial pressure

The old building was starting to **crumble** due to years of neglect and lack of maintenance.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym : unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

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.

venture

n. a business project or activity that is risky or daring

synonym : enterprise, undertaking, adventure

(1) **venture** capital, (2) a joint **venture**

The **venture** into the new market was risky, but it paid off.

finance

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

synonym : banking, investment, fund

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

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

doable

adj. possible to do; capable of existing, taking place, or proving true

synonym : realizable, accomplishable, achievable

(1) make a **doable** plan, (2) **doable** in daily life

This project is **doable** despite the tight schedule.

entrenched

adj. established firmly and securely

synonym : deep-rooted, confirmed, ingrained

(1) **entrenched** ideas, (2) **entrenched** positions

The monarch exploited the peasants using its **entrenched** power.

definitely

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

synonym : absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**

The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

achieve

v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

synonym : accomplish, attain, reach

(1) **achieve** success, (2) **achieve** milestones

I will work hard to **achieve** my goals and realize my dreams.

Session 2: Spelling

1. afraid to show em____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
2. f__t accomplishment *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
3. ar____y equipment *n.* the sport or practice of using a bow and arrows to shoot at a target
4. un____ed potential *adj.* not yet used or exploited
5. co____r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
6. h__e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job
7. att____ve men *adj.* immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
8. ex____e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
9. em____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
10. r_b a glass window *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
11. par____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
12. dis____ise citizens *v.* to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote

ANSWERS: 1. emotion, 2. feat, 3. archery, 4. untapped, 5. confer, 6. hire, 7. attractive, 8. excite, 9. emotional, 10. rub, 11. participate, 12. disenfranchise

13. a ge____e article *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
14. fe____st perspective *adj.* describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women; (noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women
15. br__e decision *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
16. ca___l dress *adj.* relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness
17. ba____y view *n.* a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space
18. affect ma____l relations *adj.* of or relating to marriage
19. acc____lly coincide *adv.* by chance or without planning
20. arm wr____ng *n.* a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground
21. da____se administrator *n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily
22. principles of un____al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

ANSWERS: 13. genuine, 14. feminist, 15. brave, 16. casual, 17. balcony, 18. marital, 19. accidentally, 20. wrestling, 21. database, 22. universal

23. accidental nu___y *n.* the state or condition of being naked or unclothed; the absence of clothing, typically applied to the human body
24. in__e music *adj.* (short for independent) relating to a style or genre of music, film, or literature that is produced without the backing or support of a major commercial company, often associated with a DIY (do-it-yourself) ethos or subculture
25. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
26. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
27. gross pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
28. traditionally und_____ed *adj.* inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services
29. a r__e old age *adj.* (of fruit or crops) fully developed and ready to be eaten or harvested
30. presidential no_____e *n.* a person who is proposed as a candidate or contender for a position, award, or honor
31. re_____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
32. the form of a di_____ue *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
33. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
34. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

ANSWERS: 23. nudity, 24. indie, 25. relation, 26. transform, 27. profit, 28. underserved, 29. ripe, 30. nominee, 31. release, 32. dialogue, 33. incredible, 34. colleague

35. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
36. ge___r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
37. a well-known ac____s *n.* a female actor, particularly in the theater or movies
38. participation aw__d *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
39. experienced scr_____ter *n.* a writer who writes or creates scripts, screenplays, or stories for movies, television shows, or other visual media
40. fr_____us lawsuits *adj.* not serious or sensible; silly or unimportant
41. br__e soldier *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
42. hu___r pangs *n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition
43. trigger a re____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
44. fr_____se owner *n.* a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election

ANSWERS: 35. shift, 36. gender, 37. actress, 38. award, 39. screenwriter, 40. frivolous, 41. brave, 42. hunger, 43. reaction, 44. franchise

45. sto_____ing performance *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
46. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
47. make dr_____ic changes *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
48. a pro_____ic situation *adj.* full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve
49. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
50. control my em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
51. an ac_____y of music *n.* a school for special training; a type of official organization that aims to encourage and develop standards in its particular field
52. nu_____y in art *n.* the state or condition of being naked or unclothed; the absence of clothing, typically applied to the human body
53. a remote re_____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
54. public fi_____ng *n.* the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project

ANSWERS: 45. storytelling, 46. identity, 47. dramatic, 48. problematic, 49. construct, 50. emotion, 51. academy, 52. nudity, 53. relative, 54. financing

55. a dr____ic rescue at sea *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
56. fire st__k *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
57. 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
58. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
59. co___r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
60. pa_____nt to all the others *adj.* more important than anything else; having superior power and influence or the highest position
61. ec_____ic characters *adj.* weird or unusual, sometimes in a funny way
62. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
63. ac_____e milestones *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

ANSWERS: 55. dramatic, 56. stick, 57. launch, 58. construct, 59. confer, 60. paramount, 61. eccentric, 62. shift, 63. achieve

64. work pe___t *v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
65. sl___ly alkaline soils *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
66. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
67. practice ar____y *n.* the sport or practice of using a bow and arrows to shoot at a target
68. ma_____l fidelity *adj.* of or relating to marriage
69. gr_____te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
70. c__d in armor *adj.* dressed or covered in a particular way; provided or protected with a particular material or substance
71. beginning of the industrial rev_____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
72. fall into a r__e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
73. fo_____n state *adj.* appearing sad or lonely, abandoned, or hopeless; marked by feelings of despair or melancholy; isolated or destitute
74. gi__t trees *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
75. a motorcycle g__g *n.* a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity
76. a fu___l-shaped device *n.* a tube or pipe that is wide at the top, sloping sides, narrow at the bottom, used for pouring liquids or powders into a small opening; a smokestack on a ship or steam engine

ANSWERS: 64. permit, 65. slightly, 66. incredible, 67. archery, 68. marital, 69. graduate, 70. clad, 71. revolution, 72. rage, 73. forlorn, 74. giant, 75. gang, 76. funnel

77. fi_____ng activity *n.* the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project
78. co____t suicide *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
79. dual ge____r *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
80. music st____o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
81. sy____ic reforms of the organization *adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society
82. id____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
83. re____te task *v.* to assign or dismiss to a lower or less important status or place; to demote
84. a co_____nt remark *adj.* feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future
85. oscar no_____e *n.* a person who is proposed as a candidate or contender for a position, award, or honor

ANSWERS: 77. financing, 78. commit, 79. gender, 80. studio, 81. systemic, 82. identity, 83. relegate, 84. confident, 85. nominee

86. wr_____ng match *n.* a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground
87. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
88. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
89. h__e a guide *v.* to give somebody a job
90. au__t the books *n.* an official inspection of the accounting procedures and records of business by a trained accountant or CPA that is independent of the subject; a methodical inspection or review of a specific condition or situation
91. a man-eating sh__k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
92. pl___e my fidelity *v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
93. au__t accounts *n.* an official inspection of the accounting procedures and records of business by a trained accountant or CPA that is independent of the subject; a methodical inspection or review of a specific condition or situation
94. r_b shoulders *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
95. li_____me benefits *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

ANSWERS: 86. wrestling, 87. complexity, 88. vast, 89. hire, 90. audit, 91. shark, 92. pledge, 93. audit, 94. rub, 95. lifetime

96. intellectual f__t *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
97. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
98. c__t a ballot *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
99. ac____e success *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
100. 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
101. manage my fi____es *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
102. card sh__k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

ANSWERS: 96. feat, 97. amazing, 98. cast, 99. achieve, 100. process, 101. finance, 102. shark

103. say def_____ly *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
104. on_____d computer *v.* to become or make part of a team, group, or system; to install, activate, or begin using a piece of equipment or software; (adjective) included or integrated into a particular system, machine, or device
105. in__e film *adj.* (short for independent) relating to a style or genre of music, film, or literature that is produced without the backing or support of a major commercial company, often associated with a DIY (do-it-yourself) ethos or subculture
106. gi__t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
107. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
108. y__l for help *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
109. su_____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
110. ob___s over her weight *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
111. un_____ed market *adj.* not yet used or exploited

ANSWERS: 103. definitely, 104. onboard, 105. indie, 106. giant, 107. process, 108. yell, 109. suddenly, 110. obsess, 111. untapped

112. a member of the Ac____y *n.* a school for special training; a type of official organization that aims to encourage and develop standards in its particular field
113. military st____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
114. fr____se agreement *n.* a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election
115. employee da____se *n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily
116. ce__e drinking *v.* to stop an action or event
117. pre-mo____n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
118. overcome hu____es *n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
119. di____t sleep *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
120. ta____ed athlete *adj.* having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area
121. a political rev____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

ANSWERS: 112. academy, 113. strategy, 114. franchise, 115. database, 116. cease, 117. modern, 118. hurdle, 119. disrupt, 120. talented, 121. revolution

122. dis_____ise voters *v.* to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote
123. ent_____ed ideas *adj.* established firmly and securely
124. em_____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
125. a very ta_____ed actor *adj.* having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area
126. sc_____y resources *adj.* insufficient in quantity or extent; meager, limited, or inadequate; lacking in amount or supply
127. in_____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
128. c__t a charming eye *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
129. si_____e portion *adj.* large in size or amount
130. get a r_p *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
131. chemical re_____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others

ANSWERS: 122. disenfranchise, 123. entrenched, 124. empathy, 125. talented, 126. scanty, 127. invest, 128. cast, 129. sizable, 130. rap, 131. reaction

132. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
133. international film fe_____al *n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
134. make a pr____t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
135. ex____e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
136. a go_____us meal *adj.* wonderful and attractive
137. nice fe____w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
138. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
139. increase sl_____ly *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
140. di_____t a well-ordered condition *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
141. li_____me ban from the sport *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
142. 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

ANSWERS: 132. complicated, 133. festival, 134. profit, 135. excite, 136. gorgeous, 137. fellow, 138. perspective, 139. slightly, 140. disrupt, 141. lifetime, 142. decide

143. c__d completely in black *adj.* dressed or covered in a particular way; provided or protected with a particular material or substance
144. unsatisfied de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
145. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
146. ve_____e capital *n.* a business project or activity that is risky or daring
147. honor gr_____te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
148. a photo st___o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
149. pr__m spectrometer *n.* a three-dimensional object with a triangular base and parallel sides, which refracts (= to bend something) light that passes through it, resulting in the separation and display of the colors of the visible spectrum; a metaphorical term used to describe a situation that reveals or illuminates various aspects or perspectives of a particular phenomenon or topic
150. an ac_____s of real quality *n.* a female actor, particularly in the theater or movies
151. display ec_____ic behavior *adj.* weird or unusual, sometimes in a funny way

ANSWERS: 143. clad, 144. desire, 145. modern, 146. venture, 147. graduate, 148. studio, 149. prism, 150. actress, 151. eccentric

152. an in___e scheme *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
153. do___e in daily life *adj.* possible to do; capable of existing, taking place, or proving true
154. sc___e meat off a bone *v.* to draw something along a rough or hard surface, typically to remove dirt or other matter
155. ex_____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
156. de_____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
157. non-fiction fi_____er *n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession
158. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
159. un_____al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
160. fe_____st movement *adj.* describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women; (noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women
161. cost of solar pa__ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

ANSWERS: 152. insane, 153. doable, 154. scrape, 155. exciting, 156. deserve, 157. filmmaker, 158. amazing, 159. universal, 160. feminist, 161. panel

162. on____d the new employees *v.* to become or make part of a team, group, or system; to install, activate, or begin using a piece of equipment or software; (adjective) included or integrated into a particular system, machine, or device
163. pl___e military assistance *v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
164. b__d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
165. g__g member *n.* a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity
166. guilty con_____ce *n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior
167. a young bus_____son *n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive
168. make a do___e plan *adj.* possible to do; capable of existing, taking place, or proving true
169. und_____ed market *adj.* inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services
170. ag__t system *n.* a person who represents and negotiates on behalf of someone else, such as a literary agent or talent agent; (of chemistry and medicine) a substance that brings about a chemical or physical effect; (of computer science) a piece of software that performs a task autonomously

ANSWERS: 162. onboard, 163. pledge, 164. bond, 165. gang, 166. conscience, 167. businessperson, 168. doable, 169. underserved, 170. agent

171. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
172. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
173. c__t's practices *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
174. re_____ce good behavior *v.* to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger
175. pr_____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
176. billionaire ent_____eur *n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
177. re_____te a matter to another authority *v.* to assign or dismiss to a lower or less important status or place; to demote
178. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
179. junior fe____w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
180. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

ANSWERS: 171. conversation, 172. release, 173. cult, 174. reinforce, 175. principle, 176. entrepreneur, 177. relegate, 178. complexity, 179. fellow, 180. perspective

181. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
182. separatory fu___l *n.* a tube or pipe that is wide at the top, sloping sides, narrow at the bottom, used for pouring liquids or powders into a small opening; a smokestack on a ship or steam engine
183. sc___y information *adj.* insufficient in quantity or extent; meager, limited, or inadequate; lacking in amount or supply
184. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
185. sl__e tile *n.* a flat piece of rock or stone that is typically used as a roofing or flooring material; a list of candidates for an election arranged in a specific order
186. inner con_____ce *n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior
187. mer_____tic society *adj.* based on the principle that the talented should be chosen and moved ahead based on their achievements
188. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
189. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

ANSWERS: 181. complicated, 182. funnel, 183. scanty, 184. participate, 185. slate, 186. conscience, 187. meritocratic, 188. magic, 189. conversation

190. a successful fi_____er *n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession
191. career tra_____ry *n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
192. show ge_____e regret *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
193. a person who is unc_____us *adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness
194. aspiring scr_____ter *n.* a writer who writes or creates scripts, screenplays, or stories for movies, television shows, or other visual media
195. severe cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
196. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
197. Platonic di_____ues *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
198. uncontrollable r__e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
199. pr_____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
200. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
201. pe____t application *v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
202. cr_____e to dust *v.* to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support

ANSWERS: 190. filmmaker, 191. trajectory, 192. genuine, 193. unconscious, 194. screenwriter, 195. critic, 196. transform, 197. dialogue, 198. rage, 199. principle, 200. industrious, 201. permit, 202. crumble

203. cro_____ing initiatives *n.* a method of raising funds or capital for a project, venture, or cause by obtaining contributions from a large number of individuals, typically through an online platform or website
204. defense me_____sm *n.* a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction
205. chronic hu____r *n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition
206. in____e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
207. trees and b____hes *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
208. mer_____tic evaluation *adj.* based on the principle that the talented should be chosen and moved ahead based on their achievements
209. in____t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
210. pa__l discussion *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

ANSWERS: 203. crowd-funding, 204. mechanism, 205. hunger, 206. invite, 207. bush, 208. meritocratic, 209. invest, 210. panel

211. cro_____ing platforms *n.* a method of raising funds or capital for a project, venture, or cause by obtaining contributions from a large number of individuals, typically through an online platform or website
212. hu___e race *n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
213. ent_____ed positions *adj.* established firmly and securely
214. global b__d market *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
215. fi_____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
216. 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
217. sc___e a hole in the ground *v.* to draw something along a rough or hard surface, typically to remove dirt or other matter
218. he is ob___sed with the fear *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
219. bus_____son network *n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive

ANSWERS: 211. crowd-funding, 212. hurdle, 213. entrenched, 214. bond, 215. finance, 216. launch, 217. scrape, 218. obsess, 219. businessperson

220. si____e audience *adj.* large in size or amount
221. gr____ed flask *adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
222. me____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
223. fl__t like a schoolgirl *v.* to talk or behave as if sexually attracted to someone, without serious intentions; (noun) a seductive woman who uses her sex appeal to exploit men
224. engage in fr____us conversation *adj.* not serious or sensible; silly or unimportant
225. ta____ul decor *adj.* having aesthetic or decorative qualities that are appealing, elegant, and refined, often associated with good judgment and good taste in art, fashion, or design
226. def____ly become a problem *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
227. the lord pa____nt *adj.* more important than anything else; having superior power and influence or the highest position
228. dis____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
229. die su____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
230. the sy____ic arteries *adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

ANSWERS: 220. sizable, 221. graduated, 222. mention, 223. flirt, 224. frivolous, 225. tasteful, 226. definitely, 227. paramount, 228. distribute, 229. suddenly, 230. systemic

231. y__l as loud as we can	<i>v.</i>	to shout in a sudden and loud way
232. re____on of inclusion	<i>n.</i>	the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
233. develop a st____gy	<i>n.</i>	a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
234. r_p music	<i>n.</i>	a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
235. gr____ed taxation	<i>adj.</i>	having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
236. a con____ly innovative enterprise	<i>adv.</i>	all the time
237. ind____us student	<i>adj.</i>	hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
238. fl__t with him	<i>v.</i>	to talk or behave as if sexually attracted to someone, without serious intentions; (noun) a seductive woman who uses her sex appeal to exploit men
239. courtroom sto____ing	<i>n.</i>	the act or art of narrating or writing stories
240. seems to be highly pro____ic	<i>adj.</i>	full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve
241. a b__h of hair	<i>n.</i>	a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
242. re____ce the military	<i>v.</i>	to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger

ANSWERS: 231. yell, 232. relation, 233. strategy, 234. rap, 235. graduated, 236. constantly, 237. industrious, 238. flirt, 239. storytelling, 240. problematic, 241. bush, 242. reinforce

243. fo____n hope *adj.* appearing sad or lonely, abandoned, or hopeless; marked by feelings of despair or melancholy; isolated or destitute
244. go in___e with pleasure *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
245. a tra_____ry missile *n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
246. de____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
247. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
248. take a ca___l glance *adj.* relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness
249. fe_____al attendee *n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
250. antidiarrheal ag__t *n.* a person who represents and negotiates on behalf of someone else, such as a literary agent or talent agent; (of chemistry and medicine) a substance that brings about a chemical or physical effect; (of computer science) a piece of software that performs a task autonomously

ANSWERS: 243. forlorn, 244. insane, 245. trajectory, 246. develop, 247. colleague, 248. casual, 249. festival, 250. agent

251. ex____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
252. de____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
253. aw__d ceremony *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
254. ce__e to exist *v.* to stop an action or event
255. in____e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
256. co____t mistakes *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
257. en__t the smoking ban *v.* to make a law; to put something into practice
258. att____ve opportunity *adj.* immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
259. the me____sm for DNA replication *n.* a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction
260. unc____us bias *adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness
261. dis____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
262. de__e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 251. exciting, 252. deserve, 253. award, 254. cease, 255. invite, 256. commit, 257. enact, 258. attractive, 259. mechanism, 260. unconscious, 261. distribute, 262. decide

263. en__t new legislation *v.* to make a law; to put something into practice
264. r__e tomato *adj.* (of fruit or crops) fully developed and ready to be eaten or harvested
265. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
266. go_____us sunset *adj.* wonderful and attractive
267. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
268. c__t members *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
269. a joint ve_____e *n.* a business project or activity that is risky or daring
270. art cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
271. a successful ent_____eur *n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
272. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
273. ta_____ul clothing *adj.* having aesthetic or decorative qualities that are appealing, elegant, and refined, often associated with good judgment and good taste in art, fashion, or design

ANSWERS: 263. enact, 264. ripe, 265. mention, 266. gorgeous, 267. vast, 268. cult, 269. venture, 270. critic, 271. entrepreneur, 272. magic, 273. tasteful

274. mi__o force sensor *n.* extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth
275. a con_____ly varying mind *adv.* all the time
276. full of em_____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
277. st__k a key in a lock *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
278. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
279. fleshly de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
280. mi__o bubble *n.* extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth
281. ba_____y seating *n.* a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space
282. re_____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
283. a pr__m of viewpoints *n.* a three-dimensional object with a triangular base and parallel sides, which refracts (= to bend something) light that passes through it, resulting in the separation and display of the colors of the visible spectrum; a metaphorical term used to describe a situation that reveals or illuminates various aspects or perspectives of a particular phenomenon or topic

ANSWERS: 274. micro, 275. constantly, 276. empathy, 277. stick, 278. develop, 279.

desire, 280. micro, 281. balcony, 282. relative, 283. prism

284. sl__e roof *n.* a flat piece of rock or stone that is typically used as a roofing or flooring material; a list of candidates for an election arranged in a specific order
285. began to cr____e under financial pressure *v.* to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support
286. feel co_____nt *adj.* feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future
287. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
288. they met acc_____lly *adv.* by chance or without planning

ANSWERS: 284. slate, 285. crumble, 286. confident, 287. emotional, 288. accidentally

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.
v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement
2. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
3. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.
adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
4. He's utterly _____ with his promotion.
v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
5. He won the _____ for best actor at the film festival.
n. a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
6. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.
n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
7. This approach employs both _____ and macro analysis methods.
n. extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth
8. The paper is _____ worth reading thoroughly.
adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
9. She works at a recording _____ in Los Angeles.
n. a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

ANSWERS: 1. release, 2. strategy, 3. relatives, 4. obsessed, 5. award, 6. emotions, 7. micro, 8. definitely, 9. studio

10. He recorded the _____ at the time of the incident.

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film

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

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

12. The fruit was _____ and ready to eat.

adj. (of fruit or crops) fully developed and ready to be eaten or harvested

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

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

14. Direct democracy is effective in quickly resolving _____ situations within a community.

adj. full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve

15. The _____ for the upcoming election vows to make positive changes in their community.

n. a person who is proposed as a candidate or contender for a position, award, or honor

16. The renowned _____ won several awards for his latest film.

n. a person who makes films, typically as a profession

17. Many employers hire _____ trainees to train as managers.

n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

18. Many people in the world suffer from _____ and malnourishment every day.

n. a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition

ANSWERS: 10. dialogue, 11. giant, 12. ripe, 13. critics, 14. problematic, 15. nominee, 16. filmmaker, 17. graduate, 18. hunger

19. The new citizenship laws will _____ many immigrants.
v. to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote
20. I'm so sorry to _____ you when you're pretty busy.
v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
21. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.
n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
22. The acclaimed _____ received an Oscar for her outstanding performance in the film.
n. a female actor, particularly in the theater or movies
23. The _____ by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.
n. a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
24. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
25. _____ willingly accept business risks to achieve success.
n. an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
26. He has a _____ fortune and is one of the wealthiest people in the city.
adj. large in size or amount

ANSWERS: 19. disenfranchise, 20. disrupt, 21. desire, 22. actress, 23. revolution, 24. Empathy, 25. Entrepreneurs, 26. sizable

27. I am going to trim this _____ off.

- n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root

28. His estate was _____ to his sons.

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

29. He was _____ but he was also a genius.

- adj.* weird or unusual, sometimes in a funny way

30. I know his _____ habit that he touches his face when he lies.

- adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness

31. The _____ into the new market was risky, but it paid off.

- n.* a business project or activity that is risky or daring

32. The passengers were instructed to _____ the aircraft as quickly as possible so that the flight could depart on time.

- v.* to become or make part of a team, group, or system; to install, activate, or begin using a piece of equipment or software; (adjective) included or integrated into a particular system, machine, or device

33. The company decided to _____ production of the product.

- v.* to stop an action or event

34. I will work hard to _____ my goals and realize my dreams.

- v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

ANSWERS: 27. bush, 28. distributed, 29. eccentric, 30. unconscious, 31. venture, 32. onboard, 33. cease, 34. achieve

35. The _____ firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.
adj. showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
36. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.
n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
37. He had always been interested in sumo _____ and decided to try it.
n. a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground
38. When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and _____ at me.
v. to shout in a sudden and loud way
39. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.
n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
40. The military has _____ an abuse of human rights.
v. to do something illegal or wrong
41. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.
adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement
42. The growth of the "sharing economy" is _____ for tech companies.
adj. immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
43. The interior design of the hotel was very _____ and luxurious.
adj. having aesthetic or decorative qualities that are appealing, elegant, and refined, often associated with good judgment and good taste in art, fashion, or design

ANSWERS: 35. brave, 36. principle, 37. wrestling, 38. yelled, 39. magic, 40. committed, 41. exciting, 42. attractive, 43. tasteful

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

v. to take part in something

45. This restaurant is known for its _____ approach to cuisine, using locally sourced and sustainable ingredients.

adj. (short for independent) relating to a style or genre of music, film, or literature that is produced without the backing or support of a major commercial company, often associated with a DIY (do-it-yourself) ethos or subculture

46. We have to use a _____ to pour petrol into the tank.

n. a tube or pipe that is wide at the top, sloping sides, narrow at the bottom, used for pouring liquids or powders into a small opening; a smokestack on a ship or steam engine

47. She had lived through two world wars in her _____.

n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

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

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

49. He discovered unique _____ for photochemical reactions.

n. a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction

50. The athlete was _____ in a tight-fitting suit designed to reduce drag and improve performance.

adj. dressed or covered in a particular way; provided or protected with a particular material or substance

ANSWERS: 44. participated, 45. indie, 46. funnel, 47. lifetime, 48. transformed, 49. mechanisms, 50. clad

51. 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
52. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
53. 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
54. The company has shown an excellent growth _____ over the years.
n. the curved path followed by an object moving through space
55. The FBI _____ went undercover to infiltrate the criminal organization.
n. a person who represents and negotiates on behalf of someone else, such as a literary agent or talent agent; (of chemistry and medicine) a substance that brings about a chemical or physical effect; (of computer science) a piece of software that performs a task autonomously
56. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
57. This project is _____ despite the tight schedule.
adj. possible to do; capable of existing, taking place, or proving true
58. Her new documentary earned her an _____ Award.
n. a school for special training; a type of official organization that aims to encourage and develop standards in its particular field

ANSWERS: 51. decide, 52. relations, 53. launch, 54. trajectory, 55. agent, 56. industrious, 57. doable, 58. Academy

59. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.
n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
60. He couldn't bear the thought of acting against his _____ even if it meant losing the job.
n. a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior
61. Each country's officials can access the central _____.
n. a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily
62. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.
adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
63. He was _____ killed by friendly fire.
adv. by chance or without planning
64. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
65. She was skilled in _____ techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.
n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories
66. Is this painting _____ or forged?
adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

ANSWERS: 59. perspective, 60. conscience, 61. database, 62. vast, 63. accidentally, 64. constructs, 65. storytelling, 66. genuine

67. He is the kind of _____ who only works for his success.

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

68. Could you help me _____ some furniture?

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

69. A _____ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

70. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

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

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

72. You _____ a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

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

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

74. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.

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

ANSWERS: 67. fellow, 68. shift, 69. panel, 70. complexity, 71. slate, 72. stick, 73. colleague, 74. identity

75. This country became a country of _____ geostrategic importance to us.
adj. more important than anything else; having superior power and influence or the highest position
76. The investment fund offered _____ for a company on the brink of bankruptcy.
n. the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project
77. The teacher will not _____ any students to leave the classroom early.
v. to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
78. We should always be prepared to _____ talented recruits.
v. to give somebody a job
79. The entrepreneur launched a successful _____ campaign to finance her innovative startup.
n. a method of raising funds or capital for a project, venture, or cause by obtaining contributions from a large number of individuals, typically through an online platform or website
80. The statement had a _____ impact on house prices.
adj. very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
81. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
82. She _____ the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.
v. to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure

ANSWERS: 75. paramount, 76. financing, 77. permit, 78. hire, 79. crowd-funding, 80. dramatic, 81. conversation, 82. rubbed

83. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

84. The music _____ attracts visitors from all over the world.

n. a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works

85. More and more people are utilizing counselors to help resolve their _____ problems.

adj. of or relating to marriage

86. The old building was starting to _____ due to years of neglect and lack of maintenance.

v. to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support

87. She wandered through the empty city streets with a _____ expression.

adj. appearing sad or lonely, abandoned, or hopeless; marked by feelings of despair or melancholy; isolated or destitute

88. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

89. Our company will be _____ by an accountant next week.

n. an official inspection of the accounting procedures and records of business by a trained accountant or CPA that is independent of the subject; a methodical inspection or review of a specific condition or situation

90. The mobile application industry is _____ changing.

adv. all the time

ANSWERS: 83. incredible, 84. festival, 85. marital, 86. crumble, 87. forlorn, 88. deserved, 89. audited, 90. constantly

91. The party's budget was cut, resulting in a _____ amount of food and drinks for the guests.
adj. insufficient in quantity or extent; meager, limited, or inadequate; lacking in amount or supply
92. 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
93. The street _____ was known for its violent behavior.
n. a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity
94. The company faced several _____ in the development of its new product.
n. a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
95. The fast-food _____ kept expanding and opening new restaurants across the country.
n. a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election
96. They enjoyed a romantic dinner on the _____ overlooking the city.
n. a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space
97. She was filled with a burning _____ at the injustice she had witnessed.
n. a strong feeling of anger or violence
98. He _____ the mud off his boots before entering the house.
v. to draw something along a rough or hard surface, typically to remove dirt or other matter

ANSWERS: 91. scanty, 92. mentioned, 93. gang, 94. hurdles, 95. franchise, 96. balcony, 97. rage, 98. scraped

99. This business yields little _____.

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

100. The movie's success was largely attributed to the _____ cleverly written script.

n. a writer who writes or creates scripts, screenplays, or stories for movies, television shows, or other visual media

101. The art exhibit featured a few sculptures that portrayed _____.

n. the state or condition of being naked or unclothed; the absence of clothing, typically applied to the human body

102. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.

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

103. My husband never _____ with other women.

v. to talk or behave as if sexually attracted to someone, without serious intentions; (noun) a seductive woman who uses her sex appeal to exploit men

104. This accident _____ a dark shadow over their lives.

v. to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

105. She wore a _____ dress to the party, which everyone admired.

adj. wonderful and attractive

106. Her excessive demands drove me _____.

adj. extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill

ANSWERS: 99. profit, 100. screenwriter's, 101. nudity, 102. finance, 103. flirts, 104. cast, 105. gorgeous, 106. insane

107. The company prides itself on being _____ in its hiring and promotion practices.

adj. based on the principle that the talented should be chosen and moved ahead based on their achievements

108. He borrowed money from a loan _____.

n. a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

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

adj. relating to people's feelings

110. The underperforming team was _____ to a lower division.

v. to assign or dismiss to a lower or less important status or place; to demote

111. The monarch exploited the peasants using its _____ power.

adj. established firmly and securely

112. This vaccine causes mild _____ side effects.

adj. affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

113. He was a successful _____ and had much experience in the field.

n. a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive

114. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.

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

ANSWERS: 107. meritocratic, 108. shark, 109. emotional, 110. relegated, 111. entrenched, 112. systemic, 113. businessperson, 114. modern

115. There was a chemical _____ of the lime with the groundwater.
n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
116. Who answers _____ knows little.
adv. quickly and unexpectedly
117. The picture earned near-_____ acclaim from critics.
adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
118. They had a _____ conversation over coffee at the local cafe.
adj. relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness
119. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
120. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.
v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
121. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.
n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
122. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 115. reaction, 116. suddenly, 117. universal, 118. casual, 119. develop,

120. invite, 121. gender, 122. process

123. The forest held many _____ resources that could be used for commercial purposes.

adj. not yet used or exploited

124. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

125. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

126. We should _____ the troops at the front line.

v. to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger

127. He was accused of being _____ and not taking his responsibilities seriously.

adj. not serious or sensible; silly or unimportant

128. The government _____ this law in 1925.

v. to make a law; to put something into practice

129. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.

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

130. He moved his body _____ to the left.

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

ANSWERS: 123. untapped, 124. confer, 125. amazing, 126. reinforce, 127. frivolous, 128. enacted, 129. invest, 130. slightly

131. They had formed a friendship _____.

- n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

132. The new ____ album is getting a lot of attention.

- n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

133. She was a _____ student of a prestigious university.

- adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees

134. The ____ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

- n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

135. The _____ ideals of inclusivity and diversity are important in creating a more just and equal world.

- adj.* describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women; (noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women

136. The _____ tournament attracted contestants from all over the country.

- n.* the sport or practice of using a bow and arrows to shoot at a target

137. The news of her promotion _____ her.

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

ANSWERS: 131. bond, 132. rap, 133. graduated, 134. cult, 135. feminist, 136. archery, 137. excited

138. It is an incredible _____ to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

n. a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

139. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

140. I'm not _____ in our victory.

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

141. The scientist used an optical _____ to analyze the dispersion of light in the laboratory experiment.

n. a three-dimensional object with a triangular base and parallel sides, which refracts (= to bend something) light that passes through it, resulting in the separation and display of the colors of the visible spectrum; a metaphorical term used to describe a situation that reveals or illuminates various aspects or perspectives of a particular phenomenon or topic

142. At this ceremony, We will _____ allegiance to the country's flag.

v. to make a formal promise to give or do something

143. This area is medically _____.

adj. inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services

144. She is a _____ musician, able to play several instruments.

adj. having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area

ANSWERS: 138. feat, 139. complicated, 140. confident, 141. prism, 142. pledge, 143. underserved, 144. talented

ANSWERS: