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Session 1: Word List

marine

adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there

synonym: sea-dwelling, maritime, aquatic

(1) **marine** insurance, (2) variety of **marine** life

Seals and whales are **marine** animals beloved by the people.

biology

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

(1) evolutionary **biology**, (2) cell and molecular **biology**

In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in **biology** class.

laboratory

n. a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab

synonym: lab, workshop, testing room

(1) **laboratory** accident, (2) anthropology **laboratory**

Animal protection groups call for an end to animal testing in a **laboratory**.

woods

n. a dense area of trees and shrubs, typically forming a forest or woodland; a place of natural beauty and tranquility; a golf club used for hitting long shots, also known as a driver

synonym : forest, woodland, timberland

(1) mystery **woods**, (2) deep **woods**

The **woods** behind the house are a great place to hike and explore.

essentially

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

synonym : fundamentally, basically, virtually

(1) **essentially** correct, (2) become **essentially** same

Essentially, a society is an organism.

eel

n. a type of elongated, snake-like fish that lives in freshwater or saltwater and has a slimy, scaleless body and no pelvic fins

(1) glass **eel**, (2) electric **eel**

The fisherman caught a slippery **eel** while out on the lake.

pond

n. a small, shallow lake

synonym : lake, pool, basin

(1) a garden **pond**, (2) **pond** water

The freshwater **pond** was home to many different types of fish and was a popular spot for fishing.

vineyard

n. a farm where grapes are grown to produce wine

(1) a productive **vineyard**, (2) **vineyard** worker

Vineyards stretch as far as the eye can see.

equip

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

synonym : prepare, furnish, provide

(1) **equip** an army, (2) **equip** our children with some special skills

The construction company **equipped** the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

drone

n. a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that

is operated by remote control

synonym: hum, whirr, idler

(1) **drone** flight, (2) the speaker's **drone**

He heard a **drone** of sirens roar from the neighboring town.

identify

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

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

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

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

spot

n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

synonym: dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

peer

n. a person who has the same age, status, or ability

synonym: fellow, associate, counterpart

(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review

Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.

Atlantic

adj. relating to or located near the Atlantic Ocean, which is the second-largest ocean on Earth, located between the continents of North and South America to the west and Europe and Africa to the east

(1) **Atlantic** breeze, (2) **Atlantic** salmon

The **Atlantic** hurricane season runs from June to November each year.

depth

n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

synonym: deepness, profoundness, extent

(1) **depth** camera, (2) the **depth** of the water

The pond's **depth** was around five feet.

arguably

adv. used when expressing an opinion or idea that you believe can be proven true

synonym : probably, possibly

(1) she is **arguably** the best singer, (2) **arguably** the greatest discovery

He is **arguably** regarded as the finest actor of his generation.

lab

n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

synonym : workshop, laboratory, research chamber

(1) **lab** instrument, (2) medical **lab**

The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's **lab**.

plankton

n. tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed

(1) **plankton** blooms, (2) **plankton** community

Plankton is generally the foundation of the ocean food chain.

jellyfish

n. a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging

synonym : medusa, sea nettle, moon jelly

(1) spineless **jellyfish**, (2) **jellyfish** sting

The beach was filled with hundreds of **jellyfish**, so swimming was not recommended.

entirely

adv. completely

synonym : completely, fully, totally

(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame

Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

transparent

adj. easy to perceive, detect, or understand; (of a material or article) permitting light to pass through freely

synonym : translucent, evident, diaphanous

(1) a **transparent** lie, (2) **transparent** crystal

The focus of these initiatives is to make the financial system more **transparent**.

asexual

adj. lacking sexual organs or characteristics; not involving or characterized by sexual activity; neither male nor female in gender identity; not operating in a sexual manner or with sexual connotations

synonym : neutral, sexless, unisex

(1) **asexual** community, (2) **asexual** individual

Asexual reproduction is a common trait found in certain species of plants and animals.

progeny

n. the descendants or offspring of a person, animal, or plant

synonym : offspring, children, descendants

(1) **progeny** viral DNA, (2) **progeny** of plants

The royal family has much **progeny** scattered across the globe.

reproduce

v. to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process

synonym : duplicate, breed, imitate

(1) **reproduce** the painting, (2) **reproduce** by myself

By dividing and creating copies of themselves, bacteria **reproduce**.

weird

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

synonym : bizarre, creepy, peculiar

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**

My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

extensive

adj. covering a large area; having a wide range

synonym : ample, comprehensive, vast

(1) **extensive** experience, (2) have **extensive** vocabulary

The incident attracted **extensive** media coverage throughout

the world.

genome

n. the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things

(1) sequencing of the human **genome**, (2) **genome** analyses

The human **genome** contains approximately three billion chemical base pairs.

ancestry

n. the family or the ethnic descent that you come from
synonym: ancestor, family, descent

(1) a distinguished **ancestry**, (2) prehuman **ancestry**

He looked down on the royal **ancestry** of the neighboring country.

invertebrate

n. a class of animals that do not have a backbone; they include insects, worms, and mollusks

synonym: animal, mollusk, worm

(1) **invertebrate** species, (2) study of **invertebrates**

Many species of marine **invertebrates**, such as corals and sponges, are important components of ocean ecosystems.

cousin

n. the child of your aunt or uncle

synonym: relative

(1) cross- **cousin** marriage, (2) **cousin's** family

I used to play with my younger male **cousins** when I was a little girl.

democracy

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

synonym: self-government, republic, commonwealth

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

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

reunion

n. a social occasion or party for a group of people who have not seen each other for a long time; the act of coming together again

synonym: social gathering, alum association

(1) a class **reunion**, (2) the annual **reunion** of the alum
I will attend my college **reunion** tomorrow.

profoundly

adv. to a great or complete degree; deeply

synonym: deeply, greatly, completely

(1) **profoundly** insightful, (2) sleep **profoundly**

The novel affected her **profoundly**, causing her to question her beliefs and values.

relate

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

synonym: connect, link, associate

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

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

derision

n. contemptuous ridicule or mockery

synonym: ridicule, mockery, satire

(1) laugh in **derision**, (2) public **derision**

The proposal was met with **derision** from the opposition.

expedition

n. a journey or voyage for a specific purpose

synonym: journey, trip, voyage

(1) **expedition** team, (2) a polar **expedition**

The **expedition** to the Amazon jungle was both exciting and challenging.

discovery

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

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

continent

n. one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

synonym: landmass, (adjective) chaste, (adjective) pure

(1) the inland of a **continent**, (2) **continent** urinary diversion

Flight across the **continent** was a daring adventure in its day.

gaze

v. to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else

synonym: stare, gawk, look

(1) **gaze** steadily at his face, (2) **gaze** absently out a window

The youngster was **gazed** at by the beast.

magnificent

adj. extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

synonym: splendid, brilliant, exquisite

(1) a **magnificent** plan, (2) a **magnificent** mountain

The **magnificent** scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

vista

n. a pleasing or expansive view, most often of a landscape or a cityscape; a broad and extensive view or outlook

synonym: panorama, view, prospect

(1) **vista** point, (2) unobstructed **vista**

The hike to the top of the mountain offered a breathtaking **vista** of the surrounding valley.

ignorance

n. lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact

synonym: unintelligence, inexperience, unawareness

(1) **ignorance** of the law, (2) **ignorance** is bliss

His **ignorance** of the situation led him to make a poor

decision.

crave

v. to have a strong desire for something; to long for or want intensely

synonym: desire, yearn, long for

(1) **crave** chocolate, (2) **crave** advice from others

She **craves** success and is always pushing herself to do better.

baffle

v. to bewilder or perplex someone completely and to be unable to understand or explain something

synonym: perplex, astound, hinder

(1) **baffle** his plan, (2) **baffle** outside noises

The paradox **baffled** most philosophers.

ego

n. a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one

synonym: self-esteem, personality, psyche

(1) **ego** defense mechanisms, (2) national **ego**

She was constantly trying to boost her **ego** by talking about her accomplishments.

satisfaction

n. a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

synonym: delight, pleasure, content

(1) a sense of **satisfaction**, (2) customer **satisfaction**

The mediated settlement brought **satisfaction** to both sides.

aggrandize

v. to make someone or something appear more important, powerful, or successful than they are; to exaggerate or embellish someone or something's achievements, reputation, or status

synonym: augment, enhance, magnify

(1) **aggrandize** a story, (2) **aggrandize** the company's reputation

The CEO is trying to **aggrandize** his power by buying out

rival companies.

enterprise

n. a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort

synonym: business, company, industry

(1) undertake an **enterprise**, (2) his business **enterprise**

A growing **enterprise** requires a bold leader.

idiot

n. a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient

synonym: dummy, imbecile, bubblehead

(1) **idiot** driver, (2) what an **idiot**

He acted like an **idiot** and spilled his drink all over the floor.

deck

n. a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure

synonym: platform, veranda, patio

(1) **deck** chairs, (2) hands on **deck**

She sat on the ship's **deck**, watching the sunset over the ocean.

environment

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

vantage

n. a position or place that provides a commanding or advantageous view or perspective; a favorable position or advantage

synonym: advantage, benefit, edge

(1) strategic **vantage**, (2) gain a **vantage**

From our **vantage** point, we could see the whole city skyline.

illuminate

v. to light something or to make something lighter or brighter; to make something free from confusion or ambiguity

synonym : brighten, light, adorn

(1) **illuminate** a dark hall, (2) **illuminate** my understanding
That biologist **illuminated** the mechanism of heredity.

mystery

n. something difficult to understand or explain; a secret or enigmatic quality that adds to the fascination or interest of something; a genre of fiction that involves the solution of a crime or a puzzle

synonym : enigma, puzzle, secret

(1) **mystery** novel, (2) unsolved **mystery**

The **mystery** surrounding the disappearance of the traveler has yet to be solved by authorities.

inroad

n. an advance, progression, or incursion into unfamiliar territory, typically involving force or aggression; a significant or detrimental effect or invasion on a person, organization, or situation

synonym : incursion, invasion, intrusion

(1) **inroad** on privacy, (2) **inroad** on individual rights

The company made significant **inroads** into the international market with its innovative products.

fundamental

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

synonym : basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

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.

optimism

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

synonym : positiveness, sanguinity, bullishness

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

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

biotechnology

n. the application of technological processes and methods to biological systems to develop new products or techniques, such as genetically modified organisms or biopharmaceuticals

synonym : genetic engineering, bioengineering, genetic modification

(1) **biotechnology** research, (2) modern **biotechnology**

Advancements in **biotechnology** have revolutionized medicine and agriculture.

globe

n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness

synonym : Earth, world, sphere

(1) terrestrial **globe**, (2) around the **globe**

His final goal is to sail around the **globe**.

strive

v. to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something

synonym : preserve, endure, persist

(1) **strive** hard to get, (2) **strive** for excellence

They **strived** to make their dream come true.

utilize

v. to use something for a practical purpose in an effective way

synonym : employ, use, operate

(1) **utilize** a different approach, (2) **utilize** a catheter

The cook **utilized** the leftover oxtail to make soup.

disease

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

functioning of organs or systems

synonym: illness, ailment, affliction

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

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

cancer

n. abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

synonym: tumor, carcinoma, malignancy

(1) **cancer** diagnosis, (2) **cancer** research

Breast **cancer** is the most common type of cancer in women.

degenerate

v. (of a person, animal, or plant) to become worse in health or physical condition

synonym: deteriorate, decline, decay

(1) **degenerate** into a disagreement, (2) **degenerate** into recession

The once-thriving city has **degenerated** into a crime-ridden slum.

undesirable

adj. not wanted or looked upon favorably; unwanted or unpleasant in nature, character, or appearance

synonym: objectionable, distasteful, unwanted

(1) **undesirable** outcome, (2) **undesirable** behavior

The smell of the garbage was very **undesirable**.

tame

v. to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training

synonym: domesticate, soften, (adjective) harmless

(1) **tame** a wild beast, (2) a **tame** animal

We have to **tame** substantial financial deficits at first.

planet

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

star

synonym : earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym : root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

summarize

v. to give a brief statement of the most important facts or ideas about something

synonym : recap, outline, digest

(1) **summarizes** the main ideas, (2) **summarize** text

Each chapter **summarizes** the most critical issues.

slide

v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

synonym : glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance

If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

representative

n. someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

synonym : spokesperson, agent, delegate

(1) an official **representative**, (2) sales **representative**

The media **representatives** had special passes.

immense

adj. extremely large or great

synonym : enormous, giant, huge

(1) **immense** amount, (2) **immense** pressure

He left his wife an **immense** fortune.

biodiversity

n. the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment

(1) **biodiversity** conservation, (2) loss of **biodiversity**
The country was instrumental in promoting the **biodiversity** treaty.

occupy

v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
synonym: inhabit, settle, populate

(1) **occupy** his time, (2) **occupy** a position
The young prince will soon **occupy** the throne.

unremarkable

adj. ordinary and not particularly interesting
synonym: commonplace, unmemorable, mundane

(1) completely ordinary and **unremarkable**,
(2) **unremarkable** in looks
He was very busy at work but otherwise led an **unremarkable** life.

homosexual

adj. sexually attracted to people of one's own sex
synonym: gay, same-sex attracted

(1) **homosexual** rights, (2) **homosexual** marriage
The law was repealed to protect the rights of **homosexual** citizens.

sapiens

n. the species of modern humans, Homo sapiens
synonym: human, Homo sapiens, humankind

(1) fossil Homo **sapiens**, (2) **sapiens** evolution
Homo **sapiens** is the scientific name for modern humans.

disparage

v. to describe or represent as being of little worth or value;
to belittle, degrade, or criticize unfairly
synonym: derogate, belittle, criticize

(1) **disparage** my work, (2) **disparage** a company's reputation
He didn't want to **disparage** his colleague in front of their boss.

accomplishment

n. the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training

synonym: success, achievement, complete

(1) proud of his **accomplishments**, (2) the **accomplishment** of a social goal

Graduating from college was a major **accomplishment** for her.

pretension

n. the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

synonym: presumption, pretense, affectation

(1) **pretension** to authority, (2) baseless **pretension**

His **pretensions** of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

relentless

adj. persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks

synonym: unyielding, tireless, unremitting

(1) **relentless** attack, (2) face **relentless** pressure

The athlete's **relentless** training paid off in the end.

quantify

v. to express or measure something in numerical terms

synonym: measure, express, determine

(1) **quantify** the results, (2) **quantify** blood flow

He tried to **quantify** the amount of product that was needed to complete the job.

analyze

v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

synonym: explore, examine, investigate

(1) **analyze** a chemical compound, (2) **analyze** your real motives

The teacher attempted to **analyze** the root cause of our mistake.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
synonym : completely, utterly, definitely

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

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

invaluable

adj. extremely useful, important, or valuable; describing something that cannot be measured in terms of monetary or material worth

synonym : priceless, inestimable, precious

(1) **invaluable** support, (2) **invaluable** resource

The advice given by my mentor was **invaluable** in my career.

emphasis

n. particular importance or significance that is given to something

synonym : priority, stress, focus

(1) **emphasis** on color, (2) lay great **emphasis** on policy

The spotlight gave the central figure increased **emphasis**.

practical

adj. of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas

synonym : applicable, functional, realistic

(1) **practical** English, (2) gain **practical** experience

Her concept is highly **practical** and helpful.

outcome

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

synonym : result, consequence, effect

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

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

restrict

v. to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing

synonym : limit, confine, hinder

(1) **restrict** an Internet access, (2) **restrict** the use of this parking lot

We **restrict** the number of students per course to twenty.

interrogate

v. to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner

synonym: question, examine, probe

(1) **interrogate** an enemy soldier, (2) **interrogated** by police

The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately **interrogate** the witness.

unacceptably

adv. in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory

synonym: improperly, unsatisfactorily, inadequately

(1) **unacceptably** high prices, (2) **unacceptably** poor

The restaurant's service was **unacceptably** slow.

confine

v. to restrict the movement of someone or something

synonym: restrict, limit, contain

(1) **confine** themselves solely, (2) **confine** the scope of use

The animal was **confined** in a small cage.

unsatisfying

adj. not fulfilling someone's desires, expectations, or needs; incomplete or inadequate.

synonym: disappointing, dissatisfying, subpar

(1) **unsatisfying** labor, (2) **unsatisfying** reality

The meal was **unsatisfying** and left her feeling hungry an hour later.

astonishing

adj. surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

synonym: surprising, shocking, astounding

(1) **astonishing** achievement, (2) make **astonishing** gains

The news of her sudden death was **astonishing** to everyone who knew her.

sliver

n. a small, thin, narrow piece or fragment of something, often characterized by its length or its sharpness or thinness; a small portion or amount of something, often used in a metaphorical sense to describe a trace or a hint of something

synonym: splinter, shard, fragment

(1) **sliver** of wood, (2) **sliver** of metal

I had to be careful not to step on a **sliver** of glass on the floor.

nation

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

synonym : country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

oceanic

adj. relating to or characteristic of the ocean or its inhabitants; having to do with the vast expanse of saltwater that covers most of the Earth's surface

synonym : marine, pelagic, sea

(1) **oceanic** climate, (2) **oceanic** exploration

The **oceanic** waves crashed against the shore, creating a mesmerizing sight.

atmospheric

adj. about or located in the earth's atmosphere

synonym : atmospherical, climatic

(1) doubling of **atmospheric** carbon dioxide,

(2) **atmospheric** pressure

The sea surface temperature and **atmospheric** circulation are inextricably linked.

administer

v. to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

synonym : allocate, distribute, dispense

(1) **administer** justice, (2) **administer** the funds

After the accident, three governmental bodies **administer** the company.

estimate

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

synonym : calculate, gauge, evaluate

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

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

unexplored

adj. not yet examined, investigated, or studied; lacking in knowledge or information; unknown or undiscovered

synonym: uncharted, undiscovered, untapped

(1) **unexplored** ideas, (2) **unexplored** cave

There are many **unexplored** regions of the ocean that scientists hope to study soon.

sink

v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

synonym: descend, drop, plummet

(1) **sink** a lot of capital, (2) **sink** a buzzer-beater

The abandoned ship slowly began to **sink** into the murky waters of the harbor.

addition

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

synonym: accumulation, expansion, addendum

(1) chemical **addition**, (2) **addition** of vectors

In **addition**, private corporations provide healthcare services.

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.

branch

n. a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization

synonym: limb, twig, bough

(1) **branch** office, (2) a **branch** pipe

The **branch** of the tree had fallen and blocked the road.

tragic

adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

synonym : calamitous, disastrous, catastrophic

(1) **tragic** love stories, (2) **tragic** death

The **tragic** events of the war left many families torn apart.

bunch

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

synonym : group, assemblage, bundle

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

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

sorely

adv. to a great extent; greatly or severely; in a way that causes pain, distress, or hardship

synonym : severely, acutely, greatly

(1) **sorely** missed, (2) **sorely** in need

I was **sorely** disappointed when my favorite team lost the game.

starfish

n. marine invertebrate that belongs to the phylum Echinodermata, characterized by a five-armed body shape that resembles a star, typically found on or near the seafloor

synonym : sea star, echinoderm, asteroid

(1) **starfish** arm, (2) **starfish** habitat

The **starfish's** unique shape helps it to escape from predators quickly.

astound

v. to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much

synonym : amaze, astonish, surprise

(1) **astound** everyone, (2) **astound** the viewer

The final result was nothing short of **astounding**.

bet

v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

synonym : stake, wager, gamble

(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future

I **bet** that you know it.

flatworm

n. a type of simple, soft-bodied invertebrate animal with a flat, ribbon-like shape, including tapeworms and planarians

synonym : tapeworm, planarian, platyhelminthe

(1) **flatworm** regeneration, (2) parasitic **flatworm**

Some **flatworm** species are capable of asexual reproduction, allowing them to colonize new environments rapidly.

Mediterranean

n. the sea encircled by southern Europe, northern Africa, and western Asia

(1) **Mediterranean** agriculture, (2) **Mediterranean** climate

They plan to take a **Mediterranean** cruise.

grab

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

synonym : clutch, snatch, grasp

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

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

fragment

n. a small piece or part broken off or detached

synonym : piece, shard, segment

(1) **fragment** of a text, (2) a broken **fragment**

The archaeologist carefully pieced together the tiny **fragments** of pottery found at the dig site.

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.

magician

n. a person who performs magic tricks or illusions to entertain an audience; typically involves sleight of hand or deception to create seemingly impossible or supernatural effects

synonym : illusionist, conjurer, wizard

(1) **magician's** hat, (2) street **magician**

The children were delighted with the **magician's** clever tricks.

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.

chin

n. the lowermost part of a person's face, below the mouth and above the neck

synonym : jaw, mandible, mentum

(1) a jutting **chin**, (2) **chin** rest

He scraped his **chin** when he fell off his bike.

scratch

v. to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object

synonym : claw, rub, scrape

(1) **scratch** off a name, (2) **scratch** my signature

Don't **scratch** your mosquito bites.

amputation

n. the act of cutting off a part of the body surgically

(1) **amputation** of leg, (2) hand **amputation**

Amputation of the limb is a last resort for the patient.

characteristic

n. a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody

synonym : feature, quality, attribute

(1) stripes **characteristic** of the zebra, (2) my friend's **characteristic** laugh

Bananas have their **characteristic** taste and odor.

memo

n. a short written message or communication intended for internal use within an organization or company

synonym: memorandum, note, reminder

(1) a **memo** pad, (2) **memo** content

I received a **memo** from the CEO outlining the new company policies.

random

adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

synonym: incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

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.

biomedical

adj. relating to the application of the natural sciences, especially biology, and physiology, to clinical medicine and healthcare

synonym: medical, clinical, health-related

(1) **biomedical** assay, (2) cutting-edge **biomedical**

Biomedical engineering focuses on developing new medical technologies and innovations to improve patient health outcomes.

brunt

n. the force or impact of something, often used to describe the full force of an attack or criticism

synonym: force, pressure, impact

(1) bear the **brunt**, (2) the **brunt** of criticism

The **brunt** of the storm hit the coastal towns the hardest.

garner

v. to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention

synonym: acquire, collect, obtain

(1) **garner** good reviews, (2) **garner** attention

He used his charm and charisma to **garner** support for his campaign.

litany

n. a prolonged or repetitive recitation or listing of something, often with a negative connotation; a repetitive series or list of complaints, criticisms, or requests

(1) **litany** of prayers, (2) **litany** of excuses

The **litany** of complaints from unhappy customers reminded us that we needed to improve our service.

intractable

adj. difficult to manage or control; stubborn or obstinate
synonym: obstinate, stubborn, unyielding

(1) **intractable** pain, (2) **intractable** situation

The **intractable** problem defied a solution.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily
synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

correspond

v. to match or be similar to something else almost exactly; to exchange messages

synonym: match, equate, communicate

(1) **correspond** to a standard, (2) **correspond** with a foreign student

The numbers on the sign **correspond** to points on the map.

inhabit

v. to live in a specific location; to reside
synonym: settle, occupy, populate

(1) **inhabit** a cave, (2) **inhabit** the stomach

I have no idea what sort of folks **inhabit** the neighborhood.

suspect

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable
synonym: assume, distrust, surmise

(1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick

The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

impede

v. to obstruct or block someone or something to slow down or prevent progress

synonym: hinder, obstruct, block

(1) **impede** a close relationship, (2) **impede** development

The traffic jam **impeded** our progress to reach the destination on time.

progression

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

synonym: advancement, development, evolution

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

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

astray

adv. away from the right path or direction

synonym: off course, misdirected, wayward

(1) led **astray** by superstition, (2) gone **astray**

He wandered **astray** from the path and got lost in the forest.

creature

n. a living being, especially an animal

synonym: being, animal, organism

(1) **creature** of habit, (2) artificial **creature**

The deep sea **creature** was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

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.

invention

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

synonym: creation, design, innovation

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

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

multicellular

adj. characterized by the presence of multiple or many cells, as opposed to unicellular (having only one cell)

synonym: multicelled, many-celled, complex

(1) **multicellular** tissues, (2) **multicellular** life

Multicellular organisms are composed of many specialized cells working together.

decision

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

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

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

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

ancestral

adj. related to or connected with members of your family from the past

synonym: hereditary, inherited, patrimonial

(1) an **ancestral** graveyard, (2) **ancestral** roots

The **ancestral** home has been in the family for generations.

thrive

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

synonym: bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure

Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

mass

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

synonym: abundance, crowd, mob

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

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

emerge

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

synonym: arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty

During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym: insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

desiccate

v. to remove moisture and liquids from something thoroughly

synonym: dehydrate, dry up, exsiccate

(1) **desiccate** food, (2) **desiccated** milk

The bricks were **desiccated** by the hot air completely.

gravity

n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

synonym: heaviness, attraction, weight

(1) the attraction of **gravity**, (2) preserve my **gravity**

The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of **gravity**.

independence

n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence

synonym: freedom, liberty, autonomy

(1) financial **independence**, (2) **independence** ceremony

There is nothing more valuable than **independence** and freedom.

renew

v. to begin or resume something again after an interruption

synonym: renovate, restore, revitalize

(1) **renew** a contract, (2) **renew** its corporate image
I have to **renew** my passport by the middle of September.

spirit

n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

synonym : soul, attitude, enthusiasm

(1) **spirit** and the letter of the law, (2) an indomitable **spirit**
Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great **spirit**.

majestic

adj. impressive or grand in appearance, size, or manner; stately

synonym : grand, stately, regal

(1) a **majestic** figure, (2) a **majestic** sense of purpose
The **majestic** mountain range was a sight to behold.

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.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym : specialized, technical

(1) **technological** advancement, (2) **technological** policy
Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

armament

n. weapons and other military equipment that a country or organization possesses or maintains for defense or offense

synonym : weaponry, munitions, arms

(1) **armament** race, (2) naval **armament**

The government is poised to increase its **armament** budget for the coming fiscal year.

attribute

v. to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone

or something possesses;

synonym: ascribe, blame, (noun) feature

(1) **attribute** the change to their marriage, (2) **attribute** directly to sales

He **attributes** the disappointing results to the economic downturn.

intelligence

n. the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

synonym: brains, brightness, cleverness

(1) an **intelligence** test, (2) field of artificial **intelligence**

In terms of **intelligence**, he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

clueless

adj. lacking knowledge, understanding, or awareness about a particular subject or situation

synonym: uninformed, unaware, ignorant

(1) **clueless** in many ways, (2) **clueless** about the situation

She was completely **clueless** as to how to solve the problem.

assign

v. to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone

synonym: entrust, delegate, designate

(1) **assign** projects, (2) **assign** top priority

Please **assign** a different color to each other kind of item.

endless

adj. having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount

synonym: infinite, ceaseless, boundless

(1) **endless** possibilities, (2) **endless** hours

He looked out the window at the **endless** stream of people.

paraphrase

v. to restate or reword a passage in one's own words, often to clarify or simplify the original meaning

synonym: rephrase, reword, reinterpret

(1) **paraphrase** a poem into prose, (2) **paraphrase** the meaning

He **paraphrased** the article in his own words to avoid being accused of plagiarism.

inquiry

n. the act or process of asking a question or asking for information; an official process of investigating a matter of public interest

synonym: question, research, exploration

(1) **inquiry** about the product, (2) launch an **inquiry**

Our tech support responds to the first **inquiry** exceptionally promptly.

inextricable

adj. unable to be separated or escaped from

synonym: inescapable, inseparable, entangled

(1) an **inextricable** part of life, (2) form an **inextricable** bond

The knot was **inextricable**, and she had to use scissors to cut it.

weave

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

synonym: braid, unite, contrive

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

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

beckon

v. to gesture or signal someone to come nearer or follow; to encourage or entice someone to do something; to seem attractive or desirable

synonym: signal, summon, gesture

(1) **beckon** with a hand, (2) **beckon** a taxi

The warm sun and gentle breeze **beckoned** us to spend the day outside.

millennium

n. a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

(1) past **millennium**, (2) **millennium** bottle of wine

Our world is in the third **millennium**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. oc____c climate *adj.* relating to or characteristic of the ocean or its inhabitants; having to do with the vast expanse of saltwater that covers most of the Earth's surface
2. une_____ed ideas *adj.* not yet examined, investigated, or studied; lacking in knowledge or information; unknown or undiscovered
3. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
4. a polar exp_____on *n.* a journey or voyage for a specific purpose
5. spineless je_____sh *n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
6. m__o content *n.* a short written message or communication intended for internal use within an organization or company
7. ca____r research *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
8. terrestrial gl__e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
9. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 1. oceanic, 2. unexplored, 3. invention, 4. expedition, 5. jellyfish, 6. memo, 7. cancer, 8. globe, 9. discovery

10. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
11. gain pr_____al experience *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
12. una_____bly high prices *adv.* in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory
13. electric e_l *n.* a type of elongated, snake-like fish that lives in freshwater or saltwater and has a slimy, scaleless body and no pelvic fins
14. int_____ted by police *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
15. g__b an opportunity *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
16. oc_____c exploration *adj.* relating to or characteristic of the ocean or its inhabitants; having to do with the vast expanse of saltwater that covers most of the Earth's surface
17. in_____t the stomach *v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
18. im___e development *v.* to obstruct or block someone or something to slow down or prevent progress
19. as_____l community *adj.* lacking sexual organs or characteristics; not involving or characterized by sexual activity; neither male nor female in gender identity; not operating in a sexual manner or with sexual connotations

ANSWERS: 10. vast, 11. practical, 12. unacceptably, 13. eel, 14. interrogate, 15. grab, 16. oceanic, 17. inhabit, 18. impede, 19. asexual

20. parasitic fl_____rm *n.* a type of simple, soft-bodied invertebrate animal with a flat, ribbon-like shape, including tapeworms and planarians
21. doubling of atm_____ic carbon dioxide *adj.* about or located in the earth's atmosphere
22. fl_____rm regeneration *n.* a type of simple, soft-bodied invertebrate animal with a flat, ribbon-like shape, including tapeworms and planarians
23. int_____le pain *adj.* difficult to manage or control; stubborn or obstinate
24. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
25. una_____bly poor *adv.* in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory
26. at_____te directly to sales *v.* to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;
27. lab_____ry accident *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
28. at_____te the change to their marriage *v.* to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;
29. c__n rest *n.* the lowermost part of a person's face, below the mouth and above the neck

ANSWERS: 20. flatworm, 21. atmospheric, 22. flatworm, 23. intractable, 24. magic, 25. unacceptably, 26. attribute, 27. laboratory, 28. attribute, 29. chin

30. unobstructed vi__a *n.* a pleasing or expansive view, most often of a landscape or a cityscape; a broad and extensive view or outlook
31. g__e steadily at his face *v.* to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
32. improved student ou____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
33. im____e a close relationship *v.* to obstruct or block someone or something to slow down or prevent progress
34. re_____ce the painting *v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process
35. co_____e the scope of use *v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something
36. an_____al roots *adj.* related to or connected with members of your family from the past
37. led as___y by superstition *adv.* away from the right path or direction
38. strategic va_____e *n.* a position or place that provides a commanding or advantageous view or perspective; a favorable position or advantage
39. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
40. the br__t of criticism *n.* the force or impact of something, often used to describe the full force of an attack or criticism

ANSWERS: 30. vista, 31. gaze, 32. outcome, 33. impede, 34. reproduce, 35. confine, 36. ancestral, 37. astray, 38. vantage, 39. vast, 40. brunt

41. pr____y viral DNA *n.* the descendants or offspring of a person, animal, or plant
42. li____y of excuses *n.* a prolonged or repetitive recitation or listing of something, often with a negative connotation; a repetitive series or list of complaints, criticisms, or requests
43. public de____on *n.* contemptuous ridicule or mockery
44. sleep pro____ly *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
45. mil____um bottle of wine *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
46. a br____h pipe *n.* a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization
47. my____y novel *n.* something difficult to understand or explain; a secret or enigmatic quality that adds to the fascination or interest of something; a genre of fiction that involves the solution of a crime or a puzzle
48. inv____le support *adj.* extremely useful, important, or valuable; describing something that cannot be measured in terms of monetary or material worth
49. su____t that he is sick *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
50. mystery wo__s *n.* a dense area of trees and shrubs, typically forming a forest or woodland; a place of natural beauty and tranquility; a golf club used for hitting long shots, also known as a driver

ANSWERS: 41. progeny, 42. litany, 43. derision, 44. profoundly, 45. millennium, 46. branch, 47. mystery, 48. invaluable, 49. suspect, 50. woods

51. pro_____ly insightful *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
52. gone as____y *adv.* away from the right path or direction
53. im_____e pressure *adj.* extremely large or great
54. naval ar_____nt *n.* weapons and other military equipment that a country or organization possesses or maintains for defense or offense
55. fossil Homo sa_____s *n.* the species of modern humans, Homo sapiens
56. agg_____ze the company's reputation *v.* to make someone or something appear more important, powerful, or successful than they are; to exaggerate or embellish someone or something's achievements, reputation, or status
57. At_____ic breeze *adj.* relating to or located near the Atlantic Ocean, which is the second-largest ocean on Earth, located between the continents of North and South America to the west and Europe and Africa to the east
58. unsolved my_____y *n.* something difficult to understand or explain; a secret or enigmatic quality that adds to the fascination or interest of something; a genre of fiction that involves the solution of a crime or a puzzle
59. the de__h of the water *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

ANSWERS: 51. profoundly, 52. astray, 53. immense, 54. armament, 55. sapiens, 56. aggrandize, 57. Atlantic, 58. mystery, 59. depth

60. di_____e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
61. so____y in need *adv.* to a great extent; greatly or severely; in a way that causes pain, distress, or hardship
62. di_____e prevention *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
63. completely ordinary and unr_____ble *adj.* ordinary and not particularly interesting
64. cr_____re of habit *n.* a living being, especially an animal
65. evolutionary bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
66. su_____zes the main ideas *v.* to give a brief statement of the most important facts or ideas about something
67. pl_____on community *n.* tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed
68. su_____t a plot *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
69. a ra____m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
70. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

ANSWERS: 60. disease, 61. sorely, 62. disease, 63. unremarkable, 64. creature, 65. biology, 66. summarize, 67. plankton, 68. suspect, 69. random, 70. environment

71. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
72. re_____ct an Internet access *v.* to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing
73. At_____ic salmon *adj.* relating to or located near the Atlantic Ocean, which is the second-largest ocean on Earth, located between the continents of North and South America to the west and Europe and Africa to the east
74. tec_____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
75. th___e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
76. qu_____fy the results *v.* to express or measure something in numerical terms
77. variety of ma___e life *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
78. cross-co___n marriage *n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
79. vi__a point *n.* a pleasing or expansive view, most often of a landscape or a cityscape; a broad and extensive view or outlook
80. lay great em_____is on policy *n.* particular importance or significance that is given to something
81. a jutting c__n *n.* the lowermost part of a person's face, below the mouth and above the neck

ANSWERS: 71. magic, 72. restrict, 73. Atlantic, 74. technological, 75. thrive, 76. quantify, 77. marine, 78. cousin, 79. vista, 80. emphasis, 81. chin

82. inv_____ate species *n.* a class of animals that do not have a backbone; they include insects, worms, and mollusks
83. em_____is on color *n.* particular importance or significance that is given to something
84. Med_____ean climate *n.* the sea encircled by southern Europe, northern Africa, and western Asia
85. st___e for excellence *v.* to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something
86. uns_____ing reality *adj.* not fulfilling someone's desires, expectations, or needs; incomplete or inadequate.
87. ess_____ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
88. Med_____ean agriculture *n.* the sea encircled by southern Europe, northern Africa, and western Asia
89. exp_____on team *n.* a journey or voyage for a specific purpose
90. ba___e his plan *v.* to bewilder or perplex someone completely and to be unable to understand or explain something
91. be___n with a hand *v.* to gesture or signal someone to come nearer or follow; to encourage or entice someone to do something; to seem attractive or desirable
92. a m__o pad *n.* a short written message or communication intended for internal use within an organization or company
93. the speaker's dr__e *n.* a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control

ANSWERS: 82. invertebrate, 83. emphasis, 84. Mediterranean, 85. strive, 86. unsatisfying, 87. essentially, 88. Mediterranean, 89. expedition, 90. baffle, 91. beckon, 92. memo, 93. drone

94. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
95. sense of op_____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
96. study of inv_____ates *n.* a class of animals that do not have a backbone; they include insects, worms, and mollusks
97. de__h camera *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
98. a mag_____nt mountain *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
99. the acc_____ent of a social goal *n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
100. loss of bio_____ity *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
101. political op_____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
102. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

ANSWERS: 94. slide, 95. optimism, 96. invertebrate, 97. depth, 98. magnificent, 99. accomplishment, 100. biodiversity, 101. optimism, 102. relate

103. ad_____on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
104. em___e as a butterfly *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
105. co___n's family *n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
106. a t___e animal *v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
107. und_____le outcome *adj.* not wanted or looked upon favorably; unwanted or unpleasant in nature, character, or appearance
108. ba___e outside noises *v.* to bewilder or perplex someone completely and to be unable to understand or explain something
109. par_____se a poem into prose *v.* to restate or reword a passage in one's own words, often to clarify or simplify the original meaning
110. es_____te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
111. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
112. rel_____ss attack *adj.* persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks
113. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 103. addition, 104. emerge, 105. cousin, 106. tame, 107. undesirable, 108. baffle, 109. paraphrase, 110. estimate, 111. technological, 112. relentless, 113. amazing

114. a s__t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
115. en____s possibilities *adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount
116. an____e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
117. a we__d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
118. an ine_____ble part of life *adj.* unable to be separated or escaped from
119. sp__t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
120. agg_____ze a story *v.* to make someone or something appear more important, powerful, or successful than they are; to exaggerate or embellish someone or something's achievements, reputation, or status
121. ma___e insurance *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
122. je_____sh sting *n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
123. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
124. a mag_____nt plan *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

ANSWERS: 114. spot, 115. endless, 116. analyze, 117. weird, 118. inextricable, 119. spirit, 120. aggrandize, 121. marine, 122. jellyfish, 123. fundamental, 124. magnificent

125. adm_____er justice *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
126. an_____e your real motives *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
127. make ast_____ng gains *adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
128. a desirable ou_____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
129. his business ent_____se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
130. an indomitable sp_____t *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
131. a broken fr_____nt *n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached
132. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
133. prehuman an_____ry *n.* the family or the ethnic descent that you come from
134. su_____ze text *v.* to give a brief statement of the most important facts or ideas about something
135. th___e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
136. as_____d the viewer *v.* to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much

ANSWERS: 125. administer, 126. analyze, 127. astonishing, 128. outcome, 129. enterprise, 130. spirit, 131. fragment, 132. crazy, 133. ancestry, 134. summarize, 135. thrive, 136. astound

137. the annual re_____n of the alum *n.* a social occasion or party for a group of people who have not seen each other for a long time; the act of coming together again
138. proud of his acc_____ents *n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
139. de_____ted milk *v.* to remove moisture and liquids from something thoroughly
140. an int_____nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
141. g__b an audience *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
142. pro_____on of disease *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
143. cell and molecular bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
144. t__e a wild beast *v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
145. co_____nt urinary diversion *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
146. p__r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability

ANSWERS: 137. reunion, 138. accomplishment, 139. desiccate, 140. intelligence, 141. grab, 142. progression, 143. biology, 144. tame, 145. continent, 146. peer

147. tr___c death *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
148. re_____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
149. es_____te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
150. inv_____le resource *adj.* extremely useful, important, or valuable; describing something that cannot be measured in terms of monetary or material worth
151. em___e from poverty *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
152. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
153. sales rep_____ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
154. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
155. pl_____on blooms *n.* tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed
156. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
157. li___y of prayers *n.* a prolonged or repetitive recitation or listing of something, often with a negative connotation; a repetitive series or list of complaints, criticisms, or requests

ANSWERS: 147. tragic, 148. release, 149. estimate, 150. invaluable, 151. emerge, 152. unfortunately, 153. representative, 154. bunch, 155. plankton, 156. absolutely, 157. litany

158. a productive vi_____rd *n.* a farm where grapes are grown to produce wine
159. st___e hard to get *v.* to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something
160. cl_____ss about the situation *adj.* lacking knowledge, understanding, or awareness about a particular subject or situation
161. amp_____on of leg *n.* the act of cutting off a part of the body surgically
162. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
163. sc_____h off a name *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
164. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
165. fr_____nt of a text *n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached
166. a ma_____ic figure *adj.* impressive or grand in appearance, size, or manner; stately
167. form an ine_____ble bond *adj.* unable to be separated or escaped from
168. dr__e flight *n.* a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control
169. atm_____ic pressure *adj.* about or located in the earth's atmosphere

ANSWERS: 158. vineyard, 159. strive, 160. clueless, 161. amputation, 162. decision, 163. scratch, 164. slide, 165. fragment, 166. majestic, 167. inextricable, 168. drone, 169. atmospheric

170. laugh in de_____on *n.* contemptuous ridicule or mockery
171. a garden p__d *n.* a small, shallow lake
172. l_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
173. customer sat_____ion *n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something
174. par_____se the meaning *v.* to restate or reword a passage in one's own words, often to clarify or simplify the original meaning
175. ill_____te my understanding *v.* to light something or to make something lighter or brighter; to make something free from confusion or ambiguity
176. a sense of sat_____ion *n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something
177. unr_____ble in looks *adj.* ordinary and not particularly interesting
178. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
179. as___n projects *v.* to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
180. in___d on individual rights *n.* an advance, progression, or incursion into unfamiliar territory, typically involving force or aggression; a significant or detrimental effect or invasion on a person, organization, or situation

ANSWERS: 170. derision, 171. pond, 172. lab, 173. satisfaction, 174. paraphrase, 175. illuminate, 176. satisfaction, 177. unremarkable, 178. crazy, 179. assign, 180. inroad

181. he was en_____ly to blame *adv.* completely
182. what an id__t *n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient
183. re___e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
184. bombs fell at ra___m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
185. deg_____te into a disagreement *v.* (of a person, animal, or plant) to become worse in health or physical condition
186. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
187. oc___y a position *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
188. pr_____al English *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
189. cor_____nd with a foreign student *v.* to match or be similar to something else almost exactly; to exchange messages
190. di_____ge my work *v.* to describe or represent as being of little worth or value; to belittle, degrade, or criticize unfairly

ANSWERS: 181. entirely, 182. idiot, 183. relate, 184. random, 185. degenerate, 186. decision, 187. occupy, 188. practical, 189. correspond, 190. disparage

191. past mil_____um *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
192. a distinguished an_____ry *n.* the family or the ethnic descent that you come from
193. beauty s__t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
194. launch an in_____y *n.* the act or process of asking a question or asking for information; an official process of investigating a matter of public interest
195. pr_____y of plants *n.* the descendants or offspring of a person, animal, or plant
196. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
197. ga___r attention *v.* to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention
198. ca___r diagnosis *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
199. st_____sh habitat *n.* marine invertebrate that belongs to the phylum Echinodermata, characterized by a five-armed body shape that resembles a star, typically found on or near the seafloor
200. or___n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something

ANSWERS: 191. millennium, 192. ancestry, 193. spot, 194. inquiry, 195. progeny, 196. environment, 197. garner, 198. cancer, 199. starfish, 200. origin

201. int_____le situation *adj.* difficult to manage or control; stubborn or obstinate
202. hom_____al marriage *adj.* sexually attracted to people of one's own sex
203. br___h office *n.* a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization
204. the inland of a co_____nt *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
205. di_____ge a company's reputation *v.* to describe or represent as being of little worth or value; to belittle, degrade, or criticize unfairly
206. preserve my gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
207. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
208. ma_____an's hat *n.* a person who performs magic tricks or illusions to entertain an audience; typically involves sleight of hand or deception to create seemingly impossible or supernatural effects
209. pr_____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

ANSWERS: 201. intractable, 202. homosexual, 203. branch, 204. continent, 205. disparage, 206. gravity, 207. nation, 208. magician, 209. principle

210. en____s hours *adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount
211. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
212. p__d water *n.* a small, shallow lake
213. re__w a contract *v.* to begin or resume something again after an interruption
214. have ex_____ve vocabulary *adj.* covering a large area; having a wide range
215. sl____r of wood *n.* a small, thin, narrow piece or fragment of something, often characterized by its length or its sharpness or thinness; a small portion or amount of something, often used in a metaphorical sense to describe a trace or a hint of something
216. sequencing of the human ge____e *n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things
217. save the pl____t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
218. b_t my future *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
219. adm_____er the funds *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

ANSWERS: 210. endless, 211. discovery, 212. pond, 213. renew, 214. extensive, 215. sliver, 216. genome, 217. planet, 218. bet, 219. administer

220. hand amp_____on *n.* the act of cutting off a part of the body surgically
221. artificial cr_____re *n.* a living being, especially an animal
222. bio_____ity conservation *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
223. a class re_____n *n.* a social occasion or party for a group of people who have not seen each other for a long time; the act of coming together again
224. field of artificial int_____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
225. int_____te an enemy soldier *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
226. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
227. hom_____al rights *adj.* sexually attracted to people of one's own sex
228. bio_____ogy research *n.* the application of technological processes and methods to biological systems to develop new products or techniques, such as genetically modified organisms or biopharmaceuticals

ANSWERS: 220. amputation, 221. creature, 222. biodiversity, 223. reunion, 224. intelligence, 225. interrogate, 226. democracy, 227. homosexual, 228. biotechnology

229. she is ar_____ly the best singer *adv.* used when expressing an opinion or idea that you believe can be proven true
230. ig_____ce is bliss *n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
231. pro_____on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
232. sc_____h my signature *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
233. my friend's cha_____tic laugh *n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
234. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
235. eq__p our children with some special skills *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
236. s__k a lot of capital *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
237. in_____t a cave *v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
238. stripes cha_____tic of the zebra *n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
239. a tra_____nt lie *adj.* easy to perceive, detect, or understand; (of a material or article) permitting light to pass through freely

ANSWERS: 229. arguably, 230. ignorance, 231. progression, 232. scratch, 233. characteristic, 234. fundamental, 235. equip, 236. sink, 237. inhabit, 238. characteristic, 239. transparent

240. s__k a buzzer-beater *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
241. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
242. gain a va_____e *n.* a position or place that provides a commanding or advantageous view or perspective; a favorable position or advantage
243. chemical ad_____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
244. an official rep_____ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
245. pre_____on to authority *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
246. bear the br__t *n.* the force or impact of something, often used to describe the full force of an attack or criticism
247. cr__e chocolate *v.* to have a strong desire for something; to long for or want intensely
248. national e_o *n.* a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one

ANSWERS: 240. sink, 241. unfortunately, 242. vantage, 243. addition, 244. representative, 245. pretension, 246. brunt, 247. crave, 248. ego

249. eq__p an army *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
250. street ma____an *n.* a person who performs magic tricks or illusions to entertain an audience; typically involves sleight of hand or deception to create seemingly impossible or supernatural effects
251. a bu__h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
252. pr_____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
253. undertake an ent_____se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
254. ar_____ly the greatest discovery *adv.* used when expressing an opinion or idea that you believe can be proven true
255. cl_____ss in many ways *adj.* lacking knowledge, understanding, or awareness about a particular subject or situation
256. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
257. become ess_____ly same *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
258. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

ANSWERS: 249. equip, 250. magician, 251. bunch, 252. principle, 253. enterprise, 254. arguably, 255. clueless, 256. democracy, 257. essentially, 258. mass

259. ast_____ng achievement *adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
260. ill_____te a dark hall *v.* to light something or to make something lighter or brighter; to make something free from confusion or ambiguity
261. oc___y his time *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
262. ge___e analyses *n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things
263. re__w its corporate image *v.* to begin or resume something again after an interruption
264. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
265. co_____e themselves solely *v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something
266. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
267. glass e_l *n.* a type of elongated, snake-like fish that lives in freshwater or saltwater and has a slimy, scaleless body and no pelvic fins
268. ind_____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
269. racial or___n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
270. id_____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

ANSWERS: 259. astonishing, 260. illuminate, 261. occupy, 262. genome, 263. renew, 264. decide, 265. confine, 266. modern, 267. eel, 268. independence, 269. origin, 270. identify

271. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
272. medical l_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
273. an an_____al graveyard *adj.* related to or connected with members of your family from the past
274. be___n a taxi *v.* to gesture or signal someone to come nearer or follow; to encourage or entice someone to do something; to seem attractive or desirable
275. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
276. cor_____nd to a standard *v.* to match or be similar to something else almost exactly; to exchange messages
277. bio_____al assay *adj.* relating to the application of the natural sciences, especially biology, and physiology, to clinical medicine and healthcare
278. so___y missed *adv.* to a great extent; greatly or severely; in a way that causes pain, distress, or hardship
279. en_____ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
280. a m___s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
281. in___d on privacy *n.* an advance, progression, or incursion into unfamiliar territory, typically involving force or aggression; a significant or detrimental effect or invasion on a person, organization, or situation

ANSWERS: 271. amazing, 272. lab, 273. ancestral, 274. beckon, 275. identify, 276. correspond, 277. biomedical, 278. sorely, 279. entirely, 280. mass, 281. inroad

282. im____e amount *adj.* extremely large or great
283. g__e absently out a window *v.* to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
284. ig_____ce of the law *n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
285. 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
286. sa_____s evolution *n.* the species of modern humans, Homo sapiens
287. uns_____ing labor *adj.* not fulfilling someone's desires, expectations, or needs; incomplete or inadequate.
288. re_____ct the use of this parking lot *v.* to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing
289. deep wo__s *n.* a dense area of trees and shrubs, typically forming a forest or woodland; a place of natural beauty and tranquility; a golf club used for hitting long shots, also known as a driver
290. as_____l individual *adj.* lacking sexual organs or characteristics; not involving or characterized by sexual activity; neither male nor female in gender identity; not operating in a sexual manner or with sexual connotations

ANSWERS: 282. immense, 283. gaze, 284. ignorance, 285. decide, 286. sapiens, 287. unsatisfying, 288. restrict, 289. woods, 290. asexual

291. as___n top priority *v.* to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
292. deg_____te into recession *v.* (of a person, animal, or plant) to become worse in health or physical condition
293. tr___c love stories *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
294. sl___r of metal *n.* a small, thin, narrow piece or fragment of something, often characterized by its length or its sharpness or thinness; a small portion or amount of something, often used in a metaphorical sense to describe a trace or a hint of something
295. st_____sh arm *n.* marine invertebrate that belongs to the phylum Echinodermata, characterized by a five-armed body shape that resembles a star, typically found on or near the seafloor
296. the attraction of gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
297. ut_____e a catheter *v.* to use something for a practical purpose in an effective way
298. p__r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
299. ga___r good reviews *v.* to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention
300. e_o defense mechanisms *n.* a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one

ANSWERS: 291. assign, 292. degenerate, 293. tragic, 294. sliver, 295. starfish, 296. gravity, 297. utilize, 298. peer, 299. garner, 300. ego

301. und_____le behavior *adj.* not wanted or looked upon favorably; unwanted or unpleasant in nature, character, or appearance
302. ut_____e a different approach *v.* to use something for a practical purpose in an effective way
303. d__k chairs *n.* a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure
304. pl____t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
305. we__e on a loom *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
306. mul_____lar life *adj.* characterized by the presence of multiple or many cells, as opposed to unicellular (having only one cell)
307. tra_____nt crystal *adj.* easy to perceive, detect, or understand; (of a material or article) permitting light to pass through freely
308. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
309. as_____d everyone *v.* to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much
310. cr__e advice from others *v.* to have a strong desire for something; to long for or want intensely
311. modern bio_____ogy *n.* the application of technological processes and methods to biological systems to develop new products or techniques, such as genetically modified organisms or biopharmaceuticals

ANSWERS: 301. undesirable, 302. utilize, 303. deck, 304. planet, 305. weave, 306. multicellular, 307. transparent, 308. absolutely, 309. astound, 310. crave, 311. biotechnology

312. b_t on a race *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
313. id__t driver *n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient
314. anthropology lab____ry *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
315. ex____ve experience *adj.* covering a large area; having a wide range
316. re____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
317. a ma____ic sense of purpose *adj.* impressive or grand in appearance, size, or manner; stately
318. around the gl__e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
319. in____y about the product *n.* the act or process of asking a question or asking for information; an official process of investigating a matter of public interest
320. we__e a story *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
321. cutting-edge bio____al *adj.* relating to the application of the natural sciences, especially biology, and physiology, to clinical medicine and healthcare

ANSWERS: 312. bet, 313. idiot, 314. laboratory, 315. extensive, 316. release, 317. majestic, 318. globe, 319. inquiry, 320. weave, 321. biomedical

322. ar_____nt race *n.* weapons and other military equipment that a country or organization possesses or maintains for defense or offense
323. the state of being we__d *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
324. de_____te food *v.* to remove moisture and liquids from something thoroughly
325. pre-mo___n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
326. hands on d__k *n.* a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure
327. financial ind_____nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
328. mul_____lar tissues *adj.* characterized by the presence of multiple or many cells, as opposed to unicellular (having only one cell)
329. face rel_____ss pressure *adj.* persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks
330. baseless pre_____on *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
331. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
332. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 322. armament, 323. weird, 324. desiccate, 325. modern, 326. deck, 327. independence, 328. multicellular, 329. relentless, 330. pretension, 331. nation, 332. invention

333. une_____ed cave

adj. not yet examined, investigated, or studied; lacking in knowledge or information; unknown or undiscovered

334. re_____ce by myself

v. to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process

335. qu_____fy blood flow

v. to express or measure something in numerical terms

336. vi_____rd worker

n. a farm where grapes are grown to produce wine

ANSWERS: 333. unexplored, 334. reproduce, 335. quantify, 336. vineyard

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. There are many _____ regions of the ocean that scientists hope to study soon.
adj. not yet examined, investigated, or studied; lacking in knowledge or information; unknown or undiscovered
2. He looked down on the royal _____ of the neighboring country.
n. the family or the ethnic descent that you come from
3. The mediated settlement brought _____ to both sides.
n. a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something
4. The archaeologist carefully pieced together the tiny _____ of pottery found at the dig site.
n. a small piece or part broken off or detached
5. He acted like an _____ and spilled his drink all over the floor.
n. a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient
6. Shall we _____ a bite to eat?
v. to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
7. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.
v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

ANSWERS: 1. unexplored, 2. ancestry, 3. satisfaction, 4. fragments, 5. idiot, 6. grab, 7. release

8. The ____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
- n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
9. The ____ of the storm hit the coastal towns the hardest.
- n.* the force or impact of something, often used to describe the full force of an attack or criticism
10. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
- v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
11. His final goal is to sail around the ____.
- n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
12. A growing _____ requires a bold leader.
- n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
13. They plan to take a _____ cruise.
- n.* the sea encircled by southern Europe, northern Africa, and western Asia
14. This remote ____ is rarely visited.
- n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
15. The fisherman caught a slippery ____ while out on the lake.
- n.* a type of elongated, snake-like fish that lives in freshwater or saltwater and has a slimy, scaleless body and no pelvic fins

ANSWERS: 8. mass, 9. brunt, 10. identify, 11. globe, 12. enterprise, 13. Mediterranean, 14. spot, 15. eel

16. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

17. The cops _____ him of being the killer.

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

18. The _____ waves crashed against the shore, creating a mesmerizing sight.

adj. relating to or characteristic of the ocean or its inhabitants; having to do with the vast expanse of saltwater that covers most of the Earth's surface

19. The _____ problem defied a solution.

adj. difficult to manage or control; stubborn or obstinate

20. The company has made great strides in its _____ toward sustainability.

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

21. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns _____.

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

22. Our tech support responds to the first _____ exceptionally promptly.

n. the act or process of asking a question or asking for information; an official process of investigating a matter of public interest

23. The cook _____ the leftover oxtail to make soup.

v. to use something for a practical purpose in an effective way

24. The media _____ had special passes.

n. someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

ANSWERS: 16. amazing, 17. suspected, 18. oceanic, 19. intractable, 20. progression, 21. emerged, 22. inquiry, 23. utilized, 24. representatives

25. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
26. The _____ unique shape helps it to escape from predators quickly.
- n.* marine invertebrate that belongs to the phylum Echinodermata, characterized by a five-armed body shape that resembles a star, typically found on or near the seafloor
27. The country was instrumental in promoting the _____ treaty.
- n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
28. We have to _____ substantial financial deficits at first.
- v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
29. She was completely _____ as to how to solve the problem.
- adj.* lacking knowledge, understanding, or awareness about a particular subject or situation
30. She sat on the ship's _____ watching the sunset over the ocean.
- n.* a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure
31. He wandered _____ from the path and got lost in the forest.
- adv.* away from the right path or direction
32. The abandoned ship slowly began to _____ into the murky waters of the harbor.
- v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

ANSWERS: 25. nation, 26. starfish's, 27. biodiversity, 28. tame, 29. clueless, 30. deck, 31. astray, 32. sink

33. He didn't want to _____ his colleague in front of their boss.
- v.* to describe or represent as being of little worth or value; to belittle, degrade, or criticize unfairly
34. The government is poised to increase its _____ budget for the coming fiscal year.
- n.* weapons and other military equipment that a country or organization possesses or maintains for defense or offense
35. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's ____.
- n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
36. The animal was _____ in a small cage.
- v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something
37. We _____ the number of students per course to twenty.
- v.* to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing
38. The freshwater _____ was home to many different types of fish and was a popular spot for fishing.
- n.* a small, shallow lake
39. Our world is in the third _____.
- n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
40. That biologist _____ the mechanism of heredity.
- v.* to light something or to make something lighter or brighter; to make something free from confusion or ambiguity

ANSWERS: 33. disparage, 34. armament, 35. lab, 36. confined, 37. restrict, 38. pond, 39. millennium, 40. illuminated

41. Necessity is the mother of _____.
- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
42. He looked out the window at the _____ stream of people.
- adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount
43. The warm sun and gentle breeze _____ us to spend the day outside.
- v.* to gesture or signal someone to come nearer or follow; to encourage or entice someone to do something; to seem attractive or desirable
44. The law was repealed to protect the rights of _____ citizens.
- adj.* sexually attracted to people of one's own sex
45. The restaurant's service was _____ slow.
- adv.* in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory
46. The _____ of complaints from unhappy customers reminded us that we needed to improve our service.
- n.* a prolonged or repetitive recitation or listing of something, often with a negative connotation; a repetitive series or list of complaints, criticisms, or requests
47. Please _____ a different color to each other kind of item.
- v.* to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
48. Breast _____ is the most common type of cancer in women.
- n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

ANSWERS: 41. invention, 42. endless, 43. beckoned, 44. homosexual, 45. unacceptably, 46. litany, 47. assign, 48. cancer

49. _____ reproduction is a common trait found in certain species of plants and animals.

adj. lacking sexual organs or characteristics; not involving or characterized by sexual activity; neither male nor female in gender identity; not operating in a sexual manner or with sexual connotations

50. _____ a society is an organism.

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

51. The doctor diagnosed him with a rare _____ that had no known cure.

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

52. The news of her sudden death was _____ to everyone who knew her.

adj. surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

53. The advice given by my mentor was _____ in my career.

adj. extremely useful, important, or valuable; describing something that cannot be measured in terms of monetary or material worth

54. The deep sea _____ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

n. a living being, especially an animal

55. The incident attracted _____ media coverage throughout the world.

adj. covering a large area; having a wide range

56. The _____ of the tree had fallen and blocked the road.

n. a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization

ANSWERS: 49. Asexual, 50. Essentially, 51. disease, 52. astonishing, 53. invaluable, 54. creature, 55. extensive, 56. branch

57. Among young people, _____ pressure can be pretty influential.
n. a person who has the same age, status, or ability
58. The construction company _____ the building with an earthquake-resistant device.
v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
59. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.
n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
60. The traffic jam _____ our progress to reach the destination on time.
v. to obstruct or block someone or something to slow down or prevent progress
61. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.
adv. by bad luck; unluckily
62. The _____ surrounding the disappearance of the traveler has yet to be solved by authorities.
n. something difficult to understand or explain; a secret or enigmatic quality that adds to the fascination or interest of something; a genre of fiction that involves the solution of a crime or a puzzle
63. The youngster was _____ at by the beast.
v. to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
64. To find drunk drivers, police conduct _____ tests.
adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

ANSWERS: 57. peer, 58. equipped, 59. spirit, 60. impeded, 61. unfortunately, 62. mystery, 63. gazed, 64. random

65. Her concept is highly _____ and helpful.

adj. of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas

66. Advancements in _____ have revolutionized medicine and agriculture.

n. the application of technological processes and methods to biological systems to develop new products or techniques, such as genetically modified organisms or biopharmaceuticals

67. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.

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

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

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

69. I was _____ disappointed when my favorite team lost the game.

adv. to a great extent; greatly or severely; in a way that causes pain, distress, or hardship

70. They _____ to make their dream come true.

v. to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something

71. The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately _____ the witness.

v. to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner

72. I will attend my college _____ tomorrow.

n. a social occasion or party for a group of people who have not seen each other for a long time; the act of coming together again

ANSWERS: 65. practical, 66. biotechnology, 67. decision, 68. estimated, 69. sorely, 70. strived, 71. interrogate, 72. reunion

73. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.
n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
74. After the accident, three governmental bodies _____ the company.
v. to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
75. He heard a _____ of sirens roar from the neighboring town.
n. a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control
76. The paradox _____ most philosophers.
v. to bewilder or perplex someone completely and to be unable to understand or explain something
77. I have no idea what sort of folks _____ the neighborhood.
v. to live in a specific location; to reside
78. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.
adj. based on scientific and industrial progress
79. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
80. Homo _____ is the scientific name for modern humans.
n. the species of modern humans, Homo sapiens
81. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.
adv. completely

ANSWERS: 73. addition, 74. administer, 75. drone, 76. baffled, 77. inhabit, 78. Technological, 79. environment, 80. sapiens, 81. entirely

82. She _____ success and is always pushing herself to do better.
v. to have a strong desire for something; to long for or want intensely
83. His _____ of the situation led him to make a poor decision.
n. lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
84. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
85. The knot was _____ and she had to use scissors to cut it.
adj. unable to be separated or escaped from
86. Many species of marine _____ such as corals and sponges, are important components of ocean ecosystems.
n. a class of animals that do not have a backbone; they include insects, worms, and mollusks
87. 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
88. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
89. She was constantly trying to boost her ____ by talking about her accomplishments.
n. a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one

ANSWERS: 82. craves, 83. ignorance, 84. modern, 85. inextricable, 86. invertebrates, 87. decide, 88. relate, 89. ego

90. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

91. Graduating from college was a major _____ for her.

n. the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training

92. There is considerable _____ that the economy will recover soon.

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

93. The CEO is trying to _____ his power by buying out rival companies.

v. to make someone or something appear more important, powerful, or successful than they are; to exaggerate or embellish someone or something's achievements, reputation, or status

94. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.

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

95. The focus of these initiatives is to make the financial system more _____.

adj. easy to perceive, detect, or understand; (of a material or article) permitting light to pass through freely

96. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in _____ class.

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

97. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.

v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

ANSWERS: 90. fundamental, 91. accomplishment, 92. optimism, 93. aggrandize, 94. principle, 95. transparent, 96. biology, 97. slide

98. I ____ that you know it.

- v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

99. The children were delighted with the _____ clever tricks.

- n.* a person who performs magic tricks or illusions to entertain an audience; typically involves sleight of hand or deception to create seemingly impossible or supernatural effects

100. The young prince will soon _____ the throne.

- v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time

101. The _____ behind the house are a great place to hike and explore.

- n.* a dense area of trees and shrubs, typically forming a forest or woodland; a place of natural beauty and tranquility; a golf club used for hitting long shots, also known as a driver

102. _____ engineering focuses on developing new medical technologies and innovations to improve patient health outcomes.

- adj.* relating to the application of the natural sciences, especially biology, and physiology, to clinical medicine and healthcare

103. He _____ the article in his own words to avoid being accused of plagiarism.

- v.* to restate or reword a passage in one's own words, often to clarify or simplify the original meaning

104. Seals and whales are _____ animals beloved by the people.

- adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there

ANSWERS: 98. bet, 99. magician's, 100. occupy, 101. woods, 102. Biomedical, 103. paraphrased, 104. marine

105. The spotlight gave the central figure increased _____.
- n.* particular importance or significance that is given to something
106. The company made significant _____ into the international market with its innovative products.
- n.* an advance, progression, or incursion into unfamiliar territory, typically involving force or aggression; a significant or detrimental effect or invasion on a person, organization, or situation
107. The hike to the top of the mountain offered a breathtaking _____ of the surrounding valley.
- n.* a pleasing or expansive view, most often of a landscape or a cityscape; a broad and extensive view or outlook
108. The royal family has much _____ scattered across the globe.
- n.* the descendants or offspring of a person, animal, or plant
109. He was very busy at work but otherwise led an _____ life.
- adj.* ordinary and not particularly interesting
110. _____ is generally the foundation of the ocean food chain.
- n.* tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed
111. From our _____ point, we could see the whole city skyline.
- n.* a position or place that provides a commanding or advantageous view or perspective; a favorable position or advantage
112. The novel affected her _____ causing her to question her beliefs and values.
- adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply

ANSWERS: 105. emphasis, 106. inroads, 107. vista, 108. progeny, 109. unremarkable, 110. Plankton, 111. vantage, 112. profoundly,

113. In terms of _____ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

- n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

114. He scraped his _____ when he fell off his bike.

- n.* the lowermost part of a person's face, below the mouth and above the neck

115. By dividing and creating copies of themselves, bacteria _____.

- v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process

116. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

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

117. I received a _____ from the CEO outlining the new company policies.

- n.* a short written message or communication intended for internal use within an organization or company

118. The _____ to the Amazon jungle was both exciting and challenging.

- n.* a journey or voyage for a specific purpose

119. The _____ home has been in the family for generations.

- adj.* related to or connected with members of your family from the past

120. The proposal was met with _____ from the opposition.

- n.* contemptuous ridicule or mockery

121. The _____ events of the war left many families torn apart.

- adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

ANSWERS: 113. intelligence, 114. chin, 115. reproduce, 116. Democracy, 117. memo, 118. expedition, 119. ancestral, 120. derision, 121. tragic

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

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

123. Her research team made an important _____.

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

124. The _____ hurricane season runs from June to November each year.

adj. relating to or located near the Atlantic Ocean, which is the second-largest ocean on Earth, located between the continents of North and South America to the west and Europe and Africa to the east

125. _____ of the limb is a last resort for the patient.

n. the act of cutting off a part of the body surgically

126. The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of _____.

n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

127. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.

n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence

128. Each chapter _____ the most critical issues.

v. to give a brief statement of the most important facts or ideas about something

129. My computer has been acting _____ recently.

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

130. Flight across the _____ was a daring adventure in its day.

n. one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

ANSWERS: 122. outcome, 123. discovery, 124. Atlantic, 125. Amputation, 126. gravity, 127. independence, 128. summarizes, 129. weird, 130. continent

131. The sea surface temperature and _____ circulation are inextricably linked.

adj. about or located in the earth's atmosphere

132. 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

133. The once-thriving city has _____ into a crime-ridden slum.

v. (of a person, animal, or plant) to become worse in health or physical condition

134. The bricks were _____ by the hot air completely.

v. to remove moisture and liquids from something thoroughly

135. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

136. The meal was _____ and left her feeling hungry an hour later.

adj. not fulfilling someone's desires, expectations, or needs; incomplete or inadequate.

137. The teacher attempted to _____ the root cause of our mistake.

v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

138. The final result was nothing short of _____.

v. to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much

139. Don't _____ your mosquito bites.

v. to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object

ANSWERS: 131. atmospheric, 132. magic, 133. degenerated, 134. desiccated, 135. crazy, 136. unsatisfying, 137. analyze, 138. astounding, 139. scratch

140. He _____ the disappointing results to the economic downturn.
- v.* to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;
141. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.
- n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
142. Some _____ species are capable of asexual reproduction, allowing them to colonize new environments rapidly.
- n.* a type of simple, soft-bodied invertebrate animal with a flat, ribbon-like shape, including tapeworms and planarians
143. The pond's _____ was around five feet.
- n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
144. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.
- n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
145. His _____ of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.
- n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
146. _____ stretch as far as the eye can see.
- n.* a farm where grapes are grown to produce wine
147. The numbers on the sign _____ to points on the map.
- v.* to match or be similar to something else almost exactly; to exchange messages

ANSWERS: 140. attributes, 141. planet, 142. flatworm, 143. depth, 144. bunch, 145. pretensions, 146. Vineyards, 147. correspond

148. _____ organisms are composed of many specialized cells working together.

adj. characterized by the presence of multiple or many cells, as opposed to unicellular (having only one cell)

149. The _____ scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

adj. extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

150. He used his charm and charisma to _____ support for his campaign.

v. to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention

151. He is _____ regarded as the finest actor of his generation.

adv. used when expressing an opinion or idea that you believe can be proven true

152. The human _____ contains approximately three billion chemical base pairs.

n. the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things

153. Bananas have their _____ taste and odor.

n. a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody

154. He tried to _____ the amount of product that was needed to complete the job.

v. to express or measure something in numerical terms

155. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.

n. the first existence or beginning of something

ANSWERS: 148. Multicellular, 149. magnificent, 150. garner, 151. arguably, 152. genome, 153. characteristic, 154. quantify, 155. origin

156. I had to be careful not to step on a _____ of glass on the floor.

n. a small, thin, narrow piece or fragment of something, often characterized by its length or its sharpness or thinness; a small portion or amount of something, often used in a metaphorical sense to describe a trace or a hint of something

157. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.

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

158. The smell of the garbage was very _____.

adj. not wanted or looked upon favorably; unwanted or unpleasant in nature, character, or appearance

159. Without investment, a business cannot _____.

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

160. I used to play with my younger male _____ when I was a little girl.

n. the child of your aunt or uncle

161. Animal protection groups call for an end to animal testing in a _____.

n. a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab

162. The _____ mountain range was a sight to behold.

adj. impressive or grand in appearance, size, or manner; stately

163. The athlete's _____ training paid off in the end.

adj. persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks

164. The girl _____ a garland for her friend.

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

ANSWERS: 156. sliver, 157. vast, 158. undesirable, 159. thrive, 160. cousins, 161. laboratory, 162. majestic, 163. relentless, 164. weaves

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

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

166. I have to _____ my passport by the middle of September.

v. to begin or resume something again after an interruption

167. He left his wife an _____ fortune.

adj. extremely large or great

168. The beach was filled with hundreds of _____ so swimming was not recommended.

n. a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging

ANSWERS: 165. absolutely, 166. renew, 167. immense, 168. jellyfish,