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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### 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.

### cremate

*v.* to burn a dead body to reduce it to ash, often as part of a funeral or other death-related ritual

*synonym*: burn, incinerate, immolate

(1) **cremate** a body, (2) **cremate** the remains

They plan to **cremate** their loved ones according to their cultural traditions.

### disclosure

*n.* the act of making something known or revealing information that was previously hidden or secret, often used in legal or financial contexts

*synonym*: announcement, revelation, exposure

(1) **disclosure** agreement, (2) public **disclosure**

The company's **disclosure** of its financial records led to a better understanding of its operations.

## propose

*v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something  
*synonym*: suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes  
I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

## strict

*adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.

*synonym*: rigorous, inflexible, relentless

(1) **strict** compliance regime, (2) in **strict** secrecy  
Too **strict** a regulation for the private sector will stifle innovation.

## precedent

*n.* a previous event or action that serves as an example or rule to authorize or justify similar events or actions in the future

*synonym*: example, model, pattern

(1) break with **precedent**, (2) a bad **precedent**  
The court used previous **precedents** to make its decision.

## exposure

*n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret

*synonym*: vulnerability, disclosure, uncovering

(1) a southern **exposure**, (2) the **exposure** of a fraud  
The long **exposure** to the air tarnished the antique tableware.

## burial

*n.* the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave  
*synonym*: interment, funeral, entombment

(1) **burial** at sea, (2) a round **burial** mound  
The **burial** ceremony was a somber reminder of his passing.

## ritual

*n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies

*synonym*: tradition, ceremony, routine

(1) a **ritual** dance, (2) morning **ritual**

The woman of the house does the holy **ritual** of lighting two candles.

## consume

*v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

*synonym* : absorb, ingest, use up

(1) **consume** a large of alcohol, (2) **consume** electricity

A smaller car will **consume** less fuel.

## vulture

*n.* a large bird of prey with a bald head, sharp beak, and keen eyesight, feeding mainly on carrion (the flesh of dead animals)

*synonym* : buzzard, scavenger, carrion bird

(1) **vulture** colony, (2) scavenging **vulture**

The **vulture's** sharp eyesight allows it to spot carrion from great distances.

## religion

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

*synonym* : faith, creed, belief

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

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

## structure

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

*synonym* : construction, architecture, establishment

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

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

## tower

*n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

*synonym* : building, belfry, edifice

(1) a bell **tower**, (2) the **tower** on a cliff

She is a **tower** of strength for our team in trouble.

## silent

*adj.* without any or little sound

*synonym* : quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

## tidbit

*n.* a small and interesting or tasty piece of information, news, or gossip; a small and appetizing item of food or delicacy

*synonym* : morsel, snack, nibble

(1) amusing **tidbit**, (2) **tidbit** of gossip

The teacher shared a **tidbit** of historical trivia to spark the students' interest.

## tradition

*n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

*synonym* : custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

## chemical

*adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;

*synonym* : chemic, synthetic

(1) toxic **chemicals**, (2) a **chemical** compound

The firm has grown into a large **chemical** manufacturing.

## embalm

*v.* preserve a dead body by treating it with chemicals to delay decomposition and make it suitable for display at a funeral

*synonym* : preserve, treat, mummify

(1) **embalm** a corpse, (2) **embalm** the body

The funeral director **embalmed** the body to make it presentable for the wake.

## **cemetery**

*n.* a burial ground or graveyard; a place where dead bodies are buried

*synonym*: graveyard, burial ground, memorial park

(1) **cemetery** plot, (2) historic **cemetery**

We visited the **cemetery** to pay our respects to our deceased loved ones.

## **vegetarian**

*n.* a person who does not eat meat or fish, or often any animal products, for health or religious reasons

(1) eat a **vegetarian** diet, (2) a strict **vegetarian**

This restaurant has **vegetarian** dishes as well.

## **frantic**

*adj.* marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied

*synonym*: wild, frenzied, manic

(1) **frantic** pace, (2) with **frantic** haste

The mother was **frantic** as she searched for her lost child.

## **inhale**

*v.* to breathe in air or a different substance, such as smoke

*synonym*: breathe in, take in, draw in

(1) **inhale** the smoke, (2) **inhale** the aroma

He **inhaled** deeply, trying to calm down.

## **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.

## **accepting**

*adj.* willing to receive or to take something offered

*synonym*: tolerant, open-minded, receptive

(1) **accepting** attitude, (2) **accepting** of diversity

He was an **accepting** person who believed in diversity and inclusiveness.

## terrifying

*adj.* very frightening or intimidating

*synonym* : frightening, intimidating, alarming

(1) **terrifying** experience, (2) **terrifying** events

Large earthquakes often generate **terrifying** tsunamis.

## consequence

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

*synonym* : result, impact, outcome

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

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

## doom

*n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

*synonym* : judgment, destiny, fate

(1) economic **doom**, (2) prophet of **doom**

Everyone was aware of the impending **doom** but was unable to prevent it.

## decay

*n.* the process or state of rotting or decomposition by natural causes such as the action of bacteria and fungi;  
(verb) to rot or decompose through natural causes

*synonym* : corrosion, decomposition, deterioration

(1) radioactive **decay**, (2) prevent tooth **decay**

The dead body was in an advanced state of **decay**.

## 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.

## industrious

*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

*synonym* : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

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

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

## crematory

*n.* a place or facility used for cremation, where dead bodies are incinerated and reduced to ashes

(1) **crematory** services, (2) **crematory** furnace

The family gathered at the private **crematory** to mourn the loss of their loved one.

## mortician

*n.* an individual who prepares dead bodies for burial or cremation; a funeral director

*synonym*: undertaker, funeral director, embalmer

(1) **mortician** services, (2) professional **mortician**

The funeral home's **mortician** facilitated all the necessary arrangements for the memorial service.

## economy

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

*synonym*: finance, trade, business

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

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

## 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.

## sanitation

*n.* the process of maintaining a clean and hygienic environment, particularly in public health and safety contexts; the practice of disposing of waste products in a safe and appropriate manner

*synonym*: cleanliness, hygiene, sterilization

(1) **sanitation** standards, (2) poor **sanitation**  
**Sanitation** workers play a critical role in keeping our cities clean and healthy.

## beautify

*v.* to enhance the physical appearance of something by making it more attractive or aesthetically pleasing; to make something more attractive or appealing in general

*synonym*: embellish, enhance, decorate

(1) **beautify** my skin, (2) **beautify** a room

The city plans to **beautify** the park with new flowers and trees.

## corpse

*n.* the dead body of a human being

*synonym*: body, remains, cadaver

(1) desiccated **corpse**, (2) the **corpse** of an animal

The police found the **corpse** in the abandoned building.

## promote

*v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

*synonym*: boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior

The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

## exception

*n.* something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands apart from others

*synonym*: anomaly, rarity, exemption

(1) make an **exception**, (2) without **exception**

She was the **exception** to the rule, as she managed to graduate college in only two years.

## 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**.

## ignore

*v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

*synonym*: neglect, disregard, shun

(1) **ignore** her advice, (2) **ignore** a ban

Since independence, the area has been completely **ignored**.

## emotional

*adj.* relating to people's feelings

*synonym*: affecting, impactful, impressive

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

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

## messy

*adj.* disorganized and untidy

*synonym*: cluttered, disorganized, untidy

(1) **messy** data, (2) **messy** handling

His **messy** bedroom is always a source of frustration for his mother.

## complexity

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

*synonym*: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

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

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

## affair

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

*synonym*: matter, incident, fling

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

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

## 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.

## importance

*n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note

*synonym*: significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

## casket

*n.* a rectangular container, often made of wood or metal, in which a dead body is placed for burial or cremation

*synonym*: coffin, sarcophagus, chest

(1) plain **casket**, (2) wooden **casket**

The funeral director closed the **casket** and secured it with screws.

## hardwood

*n.* the wood of a broadleaf tree, such as oak, ash, or beech, as contrasted to that of conifers

(1) tropical **hardwoods**, (2) **hardwood** timber

It has spacious rooms with wide **hardwood** flooring.

## rub

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

*synonym*: scrub, massage, stroke

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

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

## seal

*v.* to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed

*synonym*: enclose, shut, close

(1) **seal** a hole, (2) a fur **seal**

He **sealed** the letter with hot wax.

## concrete

*adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement

*synonym* : actual, factual, hardened

(1) a **concrete** noun, (2) **concrete** examples

The president asked for a more **concrete** plan.

## vault

*n.* a large room or chamber used for storage, often for valuables such as money, documents, or artwork; (verb) to leap or jump over something; to move quickly or suddenly

*synonym* : safe, strongbox, coffer

(1) **vault** door, (2) **vault** from five to fifty percent

The government **vault** contains top-secret documents and classified information that only a few individuals can access.

## 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.

## underground

*adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force

*synonym* : subterranean, subsurface, confidential

(1) water flowing **underground**, (2) **underground** activist

Having **underground** parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.

## fortress

*n.* a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers

*synonym* : castle, citadel, stronghold

(1) **fortress** wall, (2) military **fortress**

The ancient **fortress** was built on a hill to give the defenders a strategic advantage.

- dirt** *n.* soil, dust, or any substance that makes a surface not clean; the part of the earth's surface consisting of humus and disintegrated rock  
*synonym* : filth, grime, muck  
(1) **dirt** road, (2) **dirt** track  
The garden was filled with **dirt** and needed to be tilled before planting.
- surround** *v.* to be all around something or somebody  
*synonym* : encircle, encompass, envelop  
(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace  
On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.
- worm** *n.* a long, thin creature with a soft and long cylindrical tube-like body, no limbs, and a lack of eyes  
(1) wiggly **worms**, (2) can of **worms**  
**Worms** help dispose of the food waste produced by humans.
- sanitize** *v.* to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication  
*synonym* : clean, disinfect, sterilize  
(1) **sanitize** surfaces, (2) **sanitize** the kitchen  
I always **sanitize** my hands before eating to prevent germs from spreading.
- preservation** *n.* the act of keeping something in its original state or of preventing it from being damaged  
*synonym* : conserving, protection, conservancy  
(1) wildlife **preservation**, (2) the **preservation** of food  
The museum had kept the paintings in remarkable **preservation**.
- procedure** *n.* a way of doing something, especially the official or well-known way  
*synonym* : action, approach, course  
(1) undergo a surgical **procedure**, (2) standard **procedure**

The pilot and flight attendant ran through the check-out **procedure**.

## drain

*v.* to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it  
*synonym*: draw off, bleed

(1) **drain** water from the swamp, (2) **drain** excess liquid  
Push the button and let the water **drain** away.

## replace

*v.* to take the place of something  
*synonym*: substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone  
Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

## toxic

*adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous  
*synonym*: poisonous, harmful, contaminated

(1) **toxic** molecule, (2) exposure to **toxic** chemicals  
This chemical compound is a thousand-fold more **toxic**.

## 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.

## formaldehyde

*n.* a colorless, flammable liquid with a strong, pungent smell used as a preservative and in the manufacture of various products

*synonym*: methanal

(1) **formaldehyde** solution, (2) **formaldehyde** odor  
Exposure to high levels of **formaldehyde** can irritate the eyes, nose, and throat, as well as respiratory problems and cancer.

## claim

*v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or

something that one believes to be true

*synonym* : assert, declare, maintain

(1) **claim** responsibility, (2) false **claim**

He wants to **claim** ownership of the abandoned property.

## infectious

*adj.* able to be passed quickly from one person, animal, or plant to another, especially through air or water

*synonym* : contagious, epidemic, transmittable

(1) an **infectious** fever, (2) person's smile is **infectious**

Leprosy is an indolent **infectious** disease.

## 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.

## Ebola

*n.* a highly contagious and often fatal viral disease that causes severe fever and internal bleeding, primarily occurring in remote areas of Central and West Africa

*synonym* : viral hemorrhagic fever, EVD

(1) **Ebola** epidemic, (2) **Ebola** virus

The **Ebola** outbreak in West Africa caused widespread panic and fear.

## decomposition

*n.* the process of breaking down organic matter into simpler substances through natural processes such as decay

*synonym* : decay, putrefaction, corruption

(1) **decomposition** process, (2) chemical **decomposition**

The **decomposition** of organic matter releases nutrients back into the soil.

## stink

*v.* to emit a strong, unpleasant odor; to have a strong offensive smell; to be corrupt or unethical

*synonym* : reek, smell, odor

(1) **stink** up the place, (2) **stink** badly

The garbage in the alley began to **stink** after a few hot days.

## unpleasant

*adj.* not enjoyable or comfortable

*synonym* : disagreeable, displeasing, distasteful

(1) **unpleasant** behavior, (2) with **unpleasant** body odor

It is **unpleasant** to see criminal behavior even though it is minor.

## bacteria

*n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease

*synonym* : microorganism, microbe

(1) pathogenic **bacteria**, (2) harmless **bacteria**

**Bacteria** prevalent in hospitals are often resistant to antibiotics.

## fin

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

*synonym* : flipper, appendage, stabilizer

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

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

## makeup

*n.* colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance

*synonym* : maquillage, composition, cosmetic

(1) **makeup** artist, (2) take the **makeup** off her face

Her beauty resulted from a good night's sleep rather than **makeup**.

## suit

*n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

*synonym* : clothes, lawsuit, (verb) fit

(1) **suit** and tie restaurant, (2) **suit** at law  
Six **suits** are awaiting trial or verdict.

## inject

*v.* to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)

*synonym*: shoot, infiltrate, insinuate

(1) **inject** under the skin, (2) **inject** a personal opinion into a debate

Let's try to **inject** a bit of enthusiasm into your performance.

## dye

*v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance

*synonym*: color, tint, stain

(1) **dye** a T-shirt red, (2) **dye** patterns

She **dyed** her hair purple for a change.

## cheat

*v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws

*synonym*: deceive, swindle, defraud

(1) **cheat** on my taxes, (2) **cheat** in a game

Even though he knew it was wrong, he **cheated** on the exam.

## illusion

*n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation

*synonym*: delusion, fallacy, magic trick

(1) optical **illusion**, (2) the **illusion** of being in the forest

He could no longer tell the difference between **illusion** and reality.

## organic

*adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals

*synonym*: biological

(1) **organic** soils, (2) eat **organic** food

The kidney is an **organic** component of the body.



## 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.

## appeal

*n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest

*synonym* : request, charm, attraction

(1) draw out your **appeal**, (2) an **appeal** for help

He needed to resolve the problem as soon as possible, so he made an **appeal** directly.

## environmentalist

*n.* a person who is concerned with and advocates for the protection of the natural environment

*synonym* : conservationist

(1) dedicated **environmentalist**, (2) an **environmentalist** political party

The **environmentalist** lobby changed the mindset of many conservative politicians.

## necessarily

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

*synonym* : inevitable, certainly, automatically

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

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

## pristine

*adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination

*synonym* : chaste, pure, immaculate

(1) **pristine** beach, (2) maintain the **pristine** condition

It is terrific to camp in **pristine** nature.

## powder

*n.* a dry and fine substance that consists of very small, loose particles

*synonym* : dust, crumb, grain

(1) **powder** additive, (2) curry **powder**

She used a **powder** brush to apply her foundation evenly.

## **tuxedo**

*n.* (also "tux") a formal suit of clothing for men, typically consisting of a black jacket with satin lapels and trousers with a stripe down the side, worn with a bow tie

*synonym*: black tie, dinner jacket, formalwear

(1) black **tuxedo**, (2) **tuxedo** jacket

The waiter wore a freshly pressed **tuxedo** to serve at the upscale restaurant.

## **sustainable**

*adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time

*synonym*: continuable, enduring, tolerable

(1) **sustainable** alternative fuel, (2) principles of **sustainable** development

The government should do more to support environmentally **sustainable** agriculture.

## **reliance**

*n.* the state of depending on or needing something or someone

*synonym*: dependence, support, confidence

(1) **reliance** on social media, (2) self- **reliance** and solidarity

He acted in **reliance** on her naked promises.

## **equivalent**

*n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.

*synonym*: equal, counterpart, match

(1) **equivalent** amounts, (2) **equivalent** in meaning

The European Central Bank is Europe's **equivalent** of the Federal Reserve.

## **haul**

*v.* to physically drag or pull someone or something with effort

*synonym*: drag, pull, tug

(1) **haul** on a rope, (2) **haul** truck

They had to **haul** the boat out of the water for repairs.

## bucket

*n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids

*synonym* : pail, tub, can

(1) **bucket** list, (2) **bucket** of golf balls

She filled a **bucket** with water and carried it back to the house.

## chip

*n.* a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat

*synonym* : flake, fragment, chunk

(1) a **chip** of wood, (2) I don't care a **chip**

We can use this campaign as a bargaining **chip** in the negotiations.

## accurate

*adj.* correct and exact in all details

*synonym* : exact, precise, proper

(1) provide **accurate** information, (2) **accurate** measurements

The official transcript contains **accurate** academic records.

## facility

*n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

*synonym* : building, structure, installation

(1) a cell phone with an internet **facility**, (2) **facility** design

This company has an entire recycling **facility**, including major reprocessing plants.

## Don

*n.* a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge

(1) the **don** of the university, (2) **Don** Giovanni

He could never go against what **Don** Carlos said.

## forensic

*adj.* relating to the use of scientific methods and techniques to investigate and solve crimes or legal disputes; pertaining to or involved in legal or criminal proceedings; using scientific evidence to support a claim or argument in a court of law or other formal settings

*synonym* : legal, juridical, judicial

(1) find **forensic** evidence, (2) **forensic** team

**Forensic** scientists analyzed the DNA evidence to solve the crime.

## skeleton

*n.* the structure of bones in a human or animal body, or a framework of bones or other material that supports a plant

*synonym* : bones, frame, structure

(1) the steel **skeleton** of a building, (2) **skeleton** hand  
Scientists studied the ancient **skeleton** to learn more about the creature's anatomy.

## purple

*adj.* of a color intermediate between red and blue

*synonym* : violet

(1) deep **purple**, (2) **purple** sweet potatoes

The plant has a stunning **purple** blossom.

## pajama

*n.* a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging

*synonym* : nightgown, nightdress

(1) care **pajama**, (2) **pajama** pants

My little sister loves to have **pajama** parties with her friends on the weekends.

## blond

*adj.* of a light, yellowish-brown or golden color, typically describing hair color; (also spelled "blonde") a female with such hair color

*synonym* : blonde, light-haired

(1) **blond** fuzz, (2) ash- **blond** ringlet

She is a natural **blond** and doesn't need to dye her hair.

## facial

*adj.* of or relating to a person's face

*synonym* : forward, front, surface

(1) **facial** nerve, (2) **facial** expressions

**Facial** profiling is a new form of airport security.

## visible

*adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view

*synonym*: clear, observable, seeable

(1) **visible** stars, (2) **visible** by X-ray

My home is easily **visible** from the shore.

## aspect

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

*synonym*: characteristic, element, factor

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

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

## fascinating

*adj.* extremely interesting

*synonym*: alluring, intriguing, captivating

(1) **fascinating** story, (2) completely **fascinating** to me

The museum houses a **fascinating** collection of Celtic artifacts.

## colleague

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

*synonym*: coworker, associate, fellow

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

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

## spade

*n.* a gardening tool with a flat, pointed blade used for digging, planting, and moving soil

*synonym*: shovel, scoop, hoe

(1) **spade** blade, (2) dig with a **spade**

I used an iron **spade** to dig a hole for the new tree in the backyard.

## attempt

*n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

*synonym*: endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**

The third **attempt** was far more successful.

## compost

*n.* a mixture of organic matter, such as food scraps, yard waste, and manure, that is allowed to decompose and is used as fertilizer for plants and garden soil

*synonym* : fertilizer, humus, manure

(1) organic **compost**, (2) **compost** pile

You can add coffee grounds and crushed eggshells to your **compost** to improve the pH balance.

## cattle

*n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals

*synonym* : cows, herd, oxen

(1) **cattle** barn, (2) **cattle** hide

The **cattle** are on the grassland and grazing.

## livestock

*n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens

*synonym* : cattle, oxen, herd

(1) **livestock** agriculture, (2) **livestock** industry

**Livestock** feed is made from fodder crops.

## nutrient

*n.* any substance that is essential for the maintenance and growth of living things

*synonym* : food, vitamin

(1) **nutrient** medicine, (2) a **nutrient** for hair

They used fast-acting **nutrients** on the flowers in the flower beds.

## mixture

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

*synonym* : blend, amalgam, concoction

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

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

- soil** *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow  
*synonym*: earth, ground, mud  
(1) **soils** retentive of moisture, (2) parched **soil**  
**Soil** moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.
- molecule** *n.* a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds  
*synonym*: particle, element, atom  
(1) small **molecules**, (2) **molecule** behavior  
The shape of the DNA **molecule** is a double helix.
- transform** *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;  
*synonym*: alter, convert, change  
(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power  
My father's death **transformed** my life completely.
- desire** *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something  
*synonym*: ambition, appetite, greed  
(1) unsatisfied **desire**, (2) fleshly **desire**  
Low sexual **desire** typically correlates with low testosterone levels.
- bury** *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb  
*synonym*: entomb, sink, forget  
(1) **bury** in the earth, (2) **bury** emotion  
There is plenty of space to **bury** everyone.
- ash** *n.* the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation  
*synonym*: cinder, soot, dust  
(1) **ash** tree, (2) soda **ash**  
The volcanic **ash** covered the island after the eruption.

## inorganic

*adj.* being or consisting of nonliving stuff; chemical compounds that contain no or only trace amounts of carbon

(1) **inorganic** acid, (2) **inorganic** nutrition

**Inorganic** substances include rocks and minerals.

## 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.

## chalk

*n.* a soft, white, porous sedimentary rock composed of calcium carbonate, often used for drawing or writing on surfaces such as blackboards

*synonym*: white rock, limestone, gypsum

(1) a piece of **chalk**, (2) **chalk** on a blackboard

The kids used colored **chalk** to create a mural on the pavement.

## distribute

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

*synonym*: broadcast, disperse, hand out

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

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

## recompose

*v.* to compose or create again, often by rearranging or reassembling existing elements; to regain composure or emotional stability

*synonym*: reassemble, reconstruct

(1) **recompose** a poem, (2) **recompose** a photograph

After the argument, she needed time alone to **recompose** and gather her thoughts.

## nourish

*v.* to provide a person, an animal, or plant with food to make them grow and stay healthy

*synonym*: feed, sustain, nurture



(1) **nourish** damaged skin, (2) **nourish** hope  
The mother used her breast milk to **nourish** the baby.

## postmortem

*adj.* relating to or occurring after death; a postmortem examination is a medical examination of a body after death to determine the cause of death or to study the effects of a disease or medical treatment

*synonym* : autopsied, deceased, dead

(1) **postmortem** findings, (2) **postmortem** analysis  
The medical examiner performed a **postmortem** examination to determine the cause of death.

## contributor

*n.* a person or thing that adds to the achievement, production, or growth of something (such as a project, organization, or publication); a donor or benefactor

*synonym* : donor, giver, subscriber

(1) **contributor** of funds, (2) regular **contributor**  
She is a major **contributor** to the local food bank, volunteering every week.

## deserve

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

*synonym* : merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize  
The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

## reframe

*v.* to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way

*synonym* : redefine, restructure, reposition

(1) **reframe** resource allocation, (2) **reframe** problem  
The therapist tried to **reframe** his negative thoughts.

## savior

*n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth

*synonym* : hero, rescuer, redeemer

(1) political **savior**, (2) pray to the **savior**

The guru of that religion thought of himself as a **savior**.

## conservation

*n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

*synonym*: preservation, protection, saving

(1) soil **conservation**, (2) the **conservation** law of physics

The forest was recently designated a **conservation** area.

## swath

*n.* a strip of land, especially a long, narrow one; a large amount or quantity of something

*synonym*: strip, band, fodder

(1) a large **swath** of territory, (2) a **swath** of green grass

The charity organization has helped to provide education to a vast **swath** of the population.

## develop

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

*synonym*: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

## chain

*n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

*synonym*: series, string, link

(1) **chain** reaction, (2) supply **chain**

The **chain** on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

## hell

*n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

*synonym*

: inferno, agony, misery

(1) run like **hell**, (2) **hell** broke loose

The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

## decompose

*v.* to break down or cause to break down over time into simpler substances or elements

*synonym*: break down, rot, spoil

(1) **decompose** matter, (2) **decompose** into simpler molecules

After the earthquake, many of the buildings in the city were left in ruins and began to **decompose**.

## headstone

*n.* a marker or monument placed at the head of a grave or burial site, typically inscribed with the name and dates of the person buried there

*synonym*: gravestone, marker, monument

(1) **headstone** inscription, (2) **headstone** design

The family gathered at the cemetery to place flowers on their loved one's **headstone**.

## grave

*n.* a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature

*synonym*: tomb, crypt, sepulcher

(1) **grave** an image, (2) **grave** mistake

Many innocent civilians were killed and buried in mass **graves** outside the city during the war.

## typical

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

*synonym*: characteristic, usual, distinctive

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

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

## scatter

*v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions  
*synonym* : disperse, spread, bestrew

(1) **scatter** seeds, (2) **scatter** around the internet  
The hunter's approach **scattered** the geese.

## property

*n.* a thing or things that belong to someone  
*synonym* : belongings, possessions, equity

(1) a man of **property**, (2) chemical **property**  
He stood to inherit a million-dollar **property**.

## elegant

*adj.* pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement  
*synonym* : refined, sophisticated, graceful

(1) **elegant** design, (2) write **elegant** sentences  
She wore an **elegant** evening gown to the gala.

## mound

*n.* a raised area of ground or dirt, often used for burial, construction, or as a fortification; a large, rounded pile or heap  
*synonym* : hill, knoll, rise

(1) **mound** of dirt, (2) burial **mound**  
The team discovered a hidden **mound** in the desert.

## disk

*n.* a flat, circular plate, typically made of metal, glass, or plastic, used for storing data or playing music  
*synonym* : record, platter, plate

(1) **disk** drive, (2) **disk** space  
The computer's hard **disk** was full, so she had to delete some files.

## locate

*v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something  
*synonym* : discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor  
The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

## 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.

## willow

*n.* a deciduous tree or shrub that is often found near water, characterized by long, flexible, and slender branches and narrow leaves

*synonym* : willow, osier, saugh

(1) weeping **willow**, (2) **willow** overhanging the bank

Under the **willow** tree, they had a lovely picnic in the shade.

## bamboo

*n.* a fast-growing plant that has long, hollow stems and is widely used as a building material, food source, and decorative element, especially in Asian cultures

*synonym* : cane, reed, stem

(1) **bamboo** crafts, (2) **bamboo** flooring

The stalks of **bamboo** can grow up to a foot per day in optimal conditions.

## shroud

*n.* a length of cloth or other material used to cover or wrap a dead body; something that conceals or obscures something else, often used metaphorically

*synonym* : cover, veil, cloak

(1) **shroud** of mystery, (2) **shroud** of suspicion

The protective **shroud** covered the body in the coffin at the funeral.

## landscape

*n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

*synonym* : geography, terrain, topography

(1) a peaceful **landscape**, (2) **landscape** painting

Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political **landscape** in Europe.

## luxuriate

*v.* to indulge oneself or take great pleasure in something, often in a lavish or self-indulgent manner; to enjoy something to a great extent, often with a sense of indulgence or extravagance

*synonym*: indulge, delight, revel

(1) **luxuriate** in a vacation, (2) **luxuriate** in a slow and indulgent meal

After a long work week, I **luxuriated** in a hot bubble bath.

## shrub

*n.* a woody plant that is smaller than a tree and has several main stems emerging from the soil

*synonym*: bush, hedge, fern

(1) tree and **shrubs**, (2) small **shrub**

These are **shrubs** with no trunks that rarely grow taller than 3 meters.

## native

*adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

*synonym*: endemic, domestic, aboriginal

(1) **native** to Africa, (2) **native** language

The vegetation here is almost wholly **native**.

## blend

*v.* to mix or combine two or more substances

*synonym*: combine, mix, intermingle

(1) **blend** all the elements, (2) **blend** milk and cream

The toad altered its appearance to better **blend** in with its new environments.

## seamless

*adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next

*synonym*: smooth, continuous, unseamed

(1) enable **seamless** access, (2) **seamless** device connectivity

The service was **seamless**, and the food was quite delicious.

## dedicate

*v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular

purpose or use

*synonym* : consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

## urban

*adj.* relating to or located in a town or city

*synonym* : metropolitan, civic

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

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

## rural

*adj.* of or relating to the countryside

*synonym* : agrarian, country, rustic

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

Many **rural** areas are still impoverished.

## reintroduce

*v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued

*synonym* : bring back, restore, reestablish

(1) **reintroduce** species, (2) **reintroduce** capital punishment

The government is planning to **reintroduce** wolves to the national park to restore the balance of the ecosystem.

## trail

*n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind

*synonym* : footpath, track, course

(1) a warm **trail**, (2) follow the **trail**

The storm left a **trail** of destruction behind it.

## spiritual

*adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things

*synonym* : otherworldly, ethereal, transcendental

(1) constant **spiritual** striving, (2) **spiritual** leader

The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more **spiritual** connection with the universe.

## mourning

*n.* the act or expression of sorrow or grief for someone who has died; a period of time set aside for such grieving

*synonym*: grieving, sorrow, lamentation

(1) **mourning** period, (2) **mourning** ritual

She wore black clothing as a symbol of **mourning** for her grandmother.

## climate

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

*synonym*: atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change

**Climate** and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

## bold

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

*synonym*: brave, courageous, fearless

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

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

## humble

*adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

*synonym*: modest, unpretentious, abject

(1) a **humble** cottage, (2) **humble** opinion

The nobler, the more **humble**.



## Session 2: Spelling

1. prevent tooth de\_\_y *n.* the process or state of rotting or decomposition by natural causes such as the action of bacteria and fungi; (verb) to rot or decompose through natural causes
2. political sa\_\_\_r *n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth
3. com\_\_\_\_\_ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
4. person's smile is inf\_\_\_\_\_us *adj.* able to be passed quickly from one person, animal, or plant to another, especially through air or water
5. sh\_\_\_d of mystery *n.* a length of cloth or other material used to cover or wrap a dead body; something that conceals or obscures something else, often used metaphorically
6. professional mo\_\_\_\_\_an *n.* an individual who prepares dead bodies for burial or cremation; a funeral director
7. re\_\_\_\_\_on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
8. scavenging vu\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a large bird of prey with a bald head, sharp beak, and keen eyesight, feeding mainly on carrion (the flesh of dead animals)

ANSWERS: 1. decay, 2. savior, 3. complexity, 4. infectious, 5. shroud, 6. mortician, 7. religion, 8. vulture

9. black tu\_\_\_o *n.* (also "tux") a formal suit of clothing for men, typically consisting of a black jacket with satin lapels and trousers with a stripe down the side, worn with a bow tie
10. no\_\_\_\_\_h hope *v.* to provide a person, an animal, or plant with food to make them grow and stay healthy
11. maintain the pr\_\_\_\_\_ne condition *adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination
12. a tr\_\_\_\_\_on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
13. pu\_\_\_e sweet potatoes *adj.* of a color intermediate between red and blue
14. an ap\_\_\_l for help *n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
15. a b\_\_d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
16. domestic af\_\_\_\_rs *n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship
17. na\_\_\_e to Africa *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

ANSWERS: 9. tuxedo, 10. nourish, 11. pristine, 12. tradition, 13. purple, 14. appeal, 15. bold, 16. affair, 17. native

18. st\_\_\_t compliance regime *adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.
19. mo\_\_\_\_\_ng period *n.* the act or expression of sorrow or grief for someone who has died; a period of time set aside for such grieving
20. r\_b shoulders *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
21. 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
22. optical il\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation
23. pa\_\_\_a pants *n.* a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging
24. high imp\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
25. small mo\_\_\_\_\_les *n.* a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds
26. fa\_\_\_l expressions *adj.* of or relating to a person's face
27. be\_\_\_\_\_fy my skin *v.* to enhance the physical appearance of something by making it more attractive or aesthetically pleasing; to make something more attractive or appealing in general
28. rei\_\_\_\_\_ce species *v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued

ANSWERS: 18. strict, 19. mourning, 20. rub, 21. cancer, 22. illusion, 23. pajama, 24. importance, 25. molecule, 26. facial, 27. beautify, 28. reintroduce

29. ac\_\_\_\_\_ng of diversity *adj.* willing to receive or to take something offered
30. b\_\_y emotion *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
31. the ex\_\_\_\_\_re of a fraud *n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
32. r\_b a glass window *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
33. former co\_\_\_\_\_ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
34. sp\_\_\_\_\_al leader *adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
35. 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
36. nec\_\_\_\_\_ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
37. for\_\_\_\_\_yde solution *n.* a colorless, flammable liquid with a strong, pungent smell used as a preservative and in the manufacture of various products
38. a man of pr\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
39. tropical ha\_\_\_\_\_ods *n.* the wood of a broadleaf tree, such as oak, ash, or beech, as contrasted to that of conifers

ANSWERS: 29. accepting, 30. bury, 31. exposure, 32. rub, 33. colleague, 34. spiritual, 35. planet, 36. necessarily, 37. formaldehyde, 38. property, 39. hardwood

40. d\_\_k drive *n.* a flat, circular plate, typically made of metal, glass, or plastic, used for storing data or playing music
41. desiccated co\_\_\_e *n.* the dead body of a human being
42. principles of sus\_\_\_\_\_le development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
43. freedom of re\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
44. break with pr\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a previous event or action that serves as an example or rule to authorize or justify similar events or actions in the future
45. pr\_\_\_\_\_e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
46. fr\_\_\_\_\_nt of a text *n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached
47. big, b\_\_d piano sounds *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
48. find fo\_\_\_\_\_ic evidence *adj.* relating to the use of scientific methods and techniques to investigate and solve crimes or legal disputes; pertaining to or involved in legal or criminal proceedings; using scientific evidence to support a claim or argument in a court of law or other formal settings
49. dr\_\_n water from the swamp *v.* to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it

ANSWERS: 40. disk, 41. corpse, 42. sustainable, 43. religion, 44. precedent, 45. propose, 46. fragment, 47. bold, 48. forensic, 49. drain

50. ter\_\_\_\_\_ng experience *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
51. ch\_\_t on my taxes *v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws
52. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
53. bl\_\_d milk and cream *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
54. li\_\_\_\_\_ck industry *n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens
55. ash-bl\_\_d ringlet *adj.* of a light, yellowish-brown or golden color, typically describing hair color; (also spelled "blonde") a female with such hair color
56. I don't care a c\_\_p *n.* a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat
57. a bell to\_\_r *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
58. prophet of d\_\_m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
59. make an ex\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands apart from others
60. give si\_\_\_\_t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
61. 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

ANSWERS: 50. terrifying, 51. cheat, 52. absolutely, 53. blend, 54. livestock, 55. blond, 56. chip, 57. tower, 58. doom, 59. exception, 60. silent, 61. weave

62. not nec\_\_\_\_\_ly a problem      *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
63. va\_\_t door      *n.* a large room or chamber used for storage, often for valuables such as money, documents, or artwork; (verb) to leap or jump over something; to move quickly or suddenly
64. Eb\_\_a virus      *n.* a highly contagious and often fatal viral disease that causes severe fever and internal bleeding, primarily occurring in remote areas of Central and West Africa
65. toxic ch\_\_\_\_\_als      *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
66. follow the tr\_\_l      *n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
67. the steel sk\_\_\_\_\_on of a building      *n.* the structure of bones in a human or animal body, or a framework of bones or other material that supports a plant
68. fairly ty\_\_\_\_\_l symptoms      *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
69. st\_\_k up the place      *v.* to emit a strong, unpleasant odor; to have a strong offensive smell; to be corrupt or unethical
70. se\_\_\_\_\_ss device connectivity      *adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next
71. gr\_\_e mistake      *n.* a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature

ANSWERS: 62. necessarily, 63. vault, 64. Ebola, 65. chemical, 66. trail, 67. skeleton, 68. typical, 69. stink, 70. seamless, 71. grave

72. plain ca\_\_t *n.* a rectangular container, often made of wood or metal, in which a dead body is placed for burial or cremation
73. a large sw\_\_h of territory *n.* a strip of land, especially a long, narrow one; a large amount or quantity of something
74. de\_\_\_\_\_se matter *v.* to break down or cause to break down over time into simpler substances or elements
75. a fur s\_\_l *v.* to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed
76. ig\_\_\_e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
77. can of w\_\_ms *n.* a long, thin creature with a soft and long cylindrical tube-like body, no limbs, and a lack of eyes
78. bl\_\_d all the elements *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
79. ba\_\_\_o flooring *n.* a fast-growing plant that has long, hollow stems and is widely used as a building material, food source, and decorative element, especially in Asian cultures
80. em\_\_\_\_\_al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
81. d\_e patterns *v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance
82. eat or\_\_\_\_\_c food *adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals

ANSWERS: 72. casket, 73. swath, 74. decompose, 75. seal, 76. ignore, 77. worm, 78. blend, 79. bamboo, 80. emotional, 81. dye, 82. organic



83. ch\_\_n reaction *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
84. ind\_\_\_\_\_us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
85. ty\_\_\_\_\_l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
86. de\_\_\_\_\_e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
87. pr\_\_\_\_\_le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
88. no\_\_\_\_\_h damaged skin *v.* to provide a person, an animal, or plant with food to make them grow and stay healthy
89. take the ma\_\_\_\_p off her face *n.* colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance
90. sp\_\_e blade *n.* a gardening tool with a flat, pointed blade used for digging, planting, and moving soil
91. dig with a sp\_\_e *n.* a gardening tool with a flat, pointed blade used for digging, planting, and moving soil
92. po\_\_\_\_r additive *n.* a dry and fine substance that consists of very small, loose particles
93. a peaceful la\_\_\_\_\_pe *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

ANSWERS: 83. chain, 84. industrious, 85. typical, 86. deserve, 87. principle, 88. nourish, 89. makeup, 90. spade, 91. spade, 92. powder, 93. landscape

94. bl\_\_d fuzz *adj.* of a light, yellowish-brown or golden color, typically describing hair color; (also spelled "blonde") a female with such hair color
95. fr\_\_\_\_c pace *adj.* marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied
96. ur\_\_n property owners *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
97. in\_\_\_t under the skin *v.* to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)
98. dis\_\_\_\_\_te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
99. people in ru\_\_l areas *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
100. pathogenic ba\_\_\_\_ia *n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease
101. in\_\_\_e the aroma *v.* to breathe in air or a different substance, such as smoke
102. re\_\_\_\_\_se a poem *v.* to compose or create again, often by rearranging or reassembling existing elements; to regain composure or emotional stability
103. gr\_\_e an image *n.* a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature

ANSWERS: 94. blond, 95. frantic, 96. urban, 97. inject, 98. distribute, 99. rural, 100.

bacteria, 101. inhale, 102. recompose, 103. grave

104. a nu\_\_\_\_nt for hair *n.* any substance that is essential for the maintenance and growth of living things
105. undergo a surgical pr\_\_\_\_re *n.* a way of doing something, especially the official or well-known way
106. in st\_\_\_\_t secrecy *adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.
107. la\_\_\_\_pe painting *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
108. exposure to to\_\_c chemicals *adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
109. the at\_\_\_\_t to rescue the hostages *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
110. cl\_\_m responsibility *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
111. sh\_\_\_\_d of suspicion *n.* a length of cloth or other material used to cover or wrap a dead body; something that conceals or obscures something else, often used metaphorically
112. bu\_\_\_\_t list *n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids

ANSWERS: 104. nutrient, 105. procedure, 106. strict, 107. landscape, 108. toxic, 109. attempt, 110. claim, 111. shroud, 112. bucket

113. st\_\_\_\_\_re and function of the brain     *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
114. collaborate with co\_\_\_\_\_ues     *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
115. water flowing und\_\_\_\_\_nd     *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
116. in\_\_\_\_\_ic acid     *adj.* being or consisting of nonliving stuff; chemical compounds that contain no or only trace amounts of carbon
117. co\_\_\_\_\_e electricity     *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
118. enable se\_\_\_\_\_ss access     *adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next
119. tr\_\_\_\_\_rm heat into power     *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
120. 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
121. va\_\_t from five to fifty percent     *n.* a large room or chamber used for storage, often for valuables such as money, documents, or artwork; (verb) to leap or jump over something; to move quickly or suddenly
122. b\_\_y in the earth     *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

ANSWERS: 113. structure, 114. colleague, 115. underground, 116. inorganic, 117. consume, 118. seamless, 119. transform, 120. disease, 121. vault, 122. bury

123. pos\_\_\_\_\_em analysis *adj.* relating to or occurring after death; a postmortem examination is a medical examination of a body after death to determine the cause of death or to study the effects of a disease or medical treatment
124. lu\_\_\_\_\_te in a slow and indulgent meal *v.* to indulge oneself or take great pleasure in something, often in a lavish or self-indulgent manner; to enjoy something to a great extent, often with a sense of indulgence or extravagance
125. Eb\_\_a epidemic *n.* a highly contagious and often fatal viral disease that causes severe fever and internal bleeding, primarily occurring in remote areas of Central and West Africa
126. dec\_\_\_\_\_ion process *n.* the process of breaking down organic matter into simpler substances through natural processes such as decay
127. ch\_\_k on a blackboard *n.* a soft, white, porous sedimentary rock composed of calcium carbonate, often used for drawing or writing on surfaces such as blackboards
128. 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
129. weeping wi\_\_\_w *n.* a deciduous tree or shrub that is often found near water, characterized by long, flexible, and slender branches and narrow leaves

ANSWERS: 123. postmortem, 124. luxuriate, 125. Ebola, 126. decomposition, 127. chalk, 128. cancer, 129. willow

130. de\_\_\_\_te a few hours      *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
131. me\_\_y data      *adj.* disorganized and untidy
132. cr\_\_\_\_\_ry furnace      *n.* a place or facility used for cremation, where dead bodies are incinerated and reduced to ashes
133. against tr\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
134. public dis\_\_\_\_\_re      *n.* the act of making something known or revealing information that was previously hidden or secret, often used in legal or financial contexts
135. a f\_n of a plane      *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
136. vu\_\_\_\_\_e colony      *n.* a large bird of prey with a bald head, sharp beak, and keen eyesight, feeding mainly on carrion (the flesh of dead animals)
137. em\_\_\_m a corpse      *v.* preserve a dead body by treating it with chemicals to delay decomposition and make it suitable for display at a funeral
138. a hu\_\_\_e cottage      *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
139. s\_\_t and tie restaurant      *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

ANSWERS: 130. dedicate, 131. messy, 132. crematory, 133. tradition, 134. disclosure, 135. fin, 136. vulture, 137. embalm, 138. humble, 139. suit

140. a co\_\_\_\_\_te noun *adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
141. cognitive com\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
142. equ\_\_\_\_\_nt amounts *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
143. fo\_\_\_\_\_ic team *adj.* relating to the use of scientific methods and techniques to investigate and solve crimes or legal disputes; pertaining to or involved in legal or criminal proceedings; using scientific evidence to support a claim or argument in a court of law or other formal settings
144. ca\_\_\_e barn *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
145. be\_\_\_\_\_fy a room *v.* to enhance the physical appearance of something by making it more attractive or aesthetically pleasing; to make something more attractive or appealing in general
146. eat a veg\_\_\_\_\_an diet *n.* a person who does not eat meat or fish, or often any animal products, for health or religious reasons
147. pr\_\_\_\_\_ne beach *adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination
148. v\_\_t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

ANSWERS: 140. concrete, 141. complexity, 142. equivalent, 143. forensic, 144. cattle, 145. beautify, 146. vegetarian, 147. pristine, 148. vast



149. ec\_\_\_\_y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
150. supply ch\_\_n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
151. pray to the sa\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth
152. a man of imp\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
153. sa\_\_\_\_ze surfaces *v.* to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication
154. pr\_\_\_\_le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
155. abs\_\_\_\_ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
156. burial mo\_\_d *n.* a raised area of ground or dirt, often used for burial, construction, or as a fortification; a large, rounded pile or heap

ANSWERS: 149. economy, 150. chain, 151. savior, 152. importance, 153. sanitize, 154. principle, 155. absolutely, 156. mound



166. co\_\_\_\_te examples *adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
167. pr\_\_\_\_e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
168. draw out your ap\_\_\_\_l *n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
169. chaotic env\_\_\_\_nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
170. 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
171. de\_\_\_\_e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
172. de\_\_\_\_p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
173. na\_\_\_\_e language *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
174. self-re\_\_\_\_ce and solidarity *n.* the state of depending on or needing something or someone

ANSWERS: 166. concrete, 167. propose, 168. appeal, 169. environment, 170. planet, 171. deserve, 172. develop, 173. native, 174. reliance

175. wildlife pre\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the act of keeping something in its original state or of preventing it from being damaged
176. regular con\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person or thing that adds to the achievement, production, or growth of something (such as a project, organization, or publication); a donor or benefactor
177. s\_\_l a hole *v.* to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed
178. tr\_\_\_\_\_rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
179. si\_\_\_t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
180. ru\_\_l accents *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
181. or\_\_\_\_\_c soils *adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals
182. provide ac\_\_\_\_\_te information *adj.* correct and exact in all details
183. sc\_\_\_\_\_r around the internet *v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
184. fo\_\_\_\_\_ss wall *n.* a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers
185. he\_\_\_\_\_ne design *n.* a marker or monument placed at the head of a grave or burial site, typically inscribed with the name and dates of the person buried there

ANSWERS: 175. preservation, 176. contributor, 177. seal, 178. transform, 179. silent, 180. rural, 181. organic, 182. accurate, 183. scatter, 184. fortress, 185. headstone

186. re\_\_\_\_\_e resource allocation      *v.* to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way
187. with unp\_\_\_\_\_nt body odor      *adj.* not enjoyable or comfortable
188. the co\_\_\_\_e of an animal      *n.* the dead body of a human being
189. cr\_\_\_\_\_e the remains      *v.* to burn a dead body to reduce it to ash, often as part of a funeral or other death-related ritual
190. cr\_\_\_\_\_e a body      *v.* to burn a dead body to reduce it to ash, often as part of a funeral or other death-related ritual
191. fa\_\_\_\_\_ty design      *n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
192. a piece of ch\_\_k      *n.* a soft, white, porous sedimentary rock composed of calcium carbonate, often used for drawing or writing on surfaces such as blackboards
193. without ex\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands apart from others
194. env\_\_\_\_\_nt affairs      *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
195. parched s\_\_l      *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
196. a broken fr\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached

ANSWERS: 186. reframe, 187. unpleasant, 188. corpse, 189. cremate, 190. cremate, 191. facility, 192. chalk, 193. exception, 194. environment, 195. soil, 196. fragment

197. poor san\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the process of maintaining a clean and hygienic environment, particularly in public health and safety contexts; the practice of disposing of waste products in a safe and appropriate manner
198. soda a\_h *n.* the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation
199. sus\_\_\_\_\_le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
200. s\_\_t at law *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
201. a stone wall su\_\_\_\_\_nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
202. a warm tr\_\_l *n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
203. pr\_\_\_\_\_e a better relationship *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
204. ter\_\_\_\_\_ng events *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
205. a reckless at\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

ANSWERS: 197. sanitation, 198. ash, 199. sustainable, 200. suit, 201. surround, 202. trail, 203. promote, 204. terrifying, 205. attempt

206. mo\_\_\_\_\_an services *n.* an individual who prepares dead bodies for burial or cremation; a funeral director
207. co\_\_\_\_\_t pile *n.* a mixture of organic matter, such as food scraps, yard waste, and manure, that is allowed to decompose and is used as fertilizer for plants and garden soil
208. the pre\_\_\_\_\_ion of food *n.* the act of keeping something in its original state or of preventing it from being damaged
209. su\_\_\_\_\_nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
210. bu\_\_\_t of golf balls *n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids
211. ac\_\_\_\_\_te measurements *adj.* correct and exact in all details
212. re\_\_\_\_\_ce on social media *n.* the state of depending on or needing something or someone
213. fa\_\_\_l nerve *adj.* of or relating to a person's face
214. ha\_\_\_\_\_od timber *n.* the wood of a broadleaf tree, such as oak, ash, or beech, as contrasted to that of conifers
215. bu\_\_\_l at sea *n.* the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave
216. write el\_\_\_\_\_t sentences *adj.* pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement
217. an env\_\_\_\_\_ist political party *n.* a person who is concerned with and advocates for the protection of the natural environment

ANSWERS: 206. mortician, 207. compost, 208. preservation, 209. surround, 210. bucket, 211. accurate, 212. reliance, 213. facial, 214. hardwood, 215. burial, 216. elegant, 217. environmentalist

218. cell and molecular bi\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
219. the d\_n of the university      *n.* a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge
220. con\_\_\_\_\_or of funds      *n.* a person or thing that adds to the achievement, production, or growth of something (such as a project, organization, or publication); a donor or benefactor
221. unp\_\_\_\_\_nt behavior      *adj.* not enjoyable or comfortable
222. s\_\_ls retentive of moisture      *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
223. ba\_\_\_o crafts      *n.* a fast-growing plant that has long, hollow stems and is widely used as a building material, food source, and decorative element, especially in Asian cultures
224. the il\_\_\_\_\_on of being in the forest      *n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation
225. de\_\_\_\_\_te a chapter to the subject      *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
226. re\_\_\_\_\_e a phone      *v.* to take the place of something
227. unintended con\_\_\_\_\_ces      *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

ANSWERS: 218. biology, 219. Don, 220. contributor, 221. unpleasant, 222. soil, 223. bamboo, 224. illusion, 225. dedicate, 226. replace, 227. consequence



228. chemical dec\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the process of breaking down organic matter into simpler substances through natural processes such as decay
229. d\_\_k space *n.* a flat, circular plate, typically made of metal, glass, or plastic, used for storing data or playing music
230. constant sp\_\_\_\_\_al striving *adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
231. morning ri\_\_\_\_l *n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies
232. with fr\_\_\_\_\_c haste *adj.* marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied
233. the to\_\_r on a cliff *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
234. ig\_\_\_\_e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
235. nu\_\_\_\_\_nt medicine *n.* any substance that is essential for the maintenance and growth of living things
236. lo\_\_\_\_e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
237. to\_\_c molecule *adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
238. soil con\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

ANSWERS: 228. decomposition, 229. disk, 230. spiritual, 231. ritual, 232. frantic, 233. tower, 234. ignore, 235. nutrient, 236. locate, 237. toxic, 238. conservation

239. mi\_\_\_\_\_e of emotions *n.* a combination of different elements, substances, or entities, usually in non-uniform proportions, resulting in a homogeneous or heterogeneous blend of physical or chemical properties
240. und\_\_\_\_\_nd activist *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
241. a ch\_\_\_\_\_al compound *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
242. a southern ex\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
243. ec\_\_\_\_\_y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
244. nontechnical as\_\_\_\_ts of the job *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
245. D\_n Giovanni *n.* a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge
246. dis\_\_\_\_\_re agreement *n.* the act of making something known or revealing information that was previously hidden or secret, often used in legal or financial contexts

ANSWERS: 239. mixture, 240. underground, 241. chemical, 242. exposure, 243. economy, 244. aspect, 245. Don, 246. disclosure

247. for\_\_\_\_\_yde odor *n.* a colorless, flammable liquid with a strong, pungent smell used as a preservative and in the manufacture of various products
248. economic d\_\_m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
249. tu\_\_\_o jacket *n.* (also "tux") a formal suit of clothing for men, typically consisting of a black jacket with satin lapels and trousers with a stripe down the side, worn with a bow tie
250. he\_\_\_\_\_ne inscription *n.* a marker or monument placed at the head of a grave or burial site, typically inscribed with the name and dates of the person buried there
251. unsatisfied de\_\_\_e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
252. an inf\_\_\_\_\_us fever *adj.* able to be passed quickly from one person, animal, or plant to another, especially through air or water
253. vi\_\_\_\_\_e stars *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
254. false cl\_\_m *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
255. fas\_\_\_\_\_ng story *adj.* extremely interesting

ANSWERS: 247. formaldehyde, 248. doom, 249. tuxedo, 250. headstone, 251. desire, 252. infectious, 253. visible, 254. claim, 255. fascinating

256. re\_\_\_\_\_e one word with another      *v.*    to take the place of something
257. care pa\_\_\_\_a      *n.*    a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging
258. current af\_\_\_\_rs      *n.*    event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship
259. perfect mi\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.*    a combination of different elements, substances, or entities, usually in non-uniform proportions, resulting in a homogeneous or heterogeneous blend of physical or chemical properties
260. de\_\_\_\_\_se into simpler molecules      *v.*    to break down or cause to break down over time into simpler substances or elements
261. as\_\_\_\_ts of social, political, and economic life      *n.*    one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
262. pr\_\_\_\_\_e bad behavior      *v.*    to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
263. historic ce\_\_\_\_\_ry      *n.*    a burial ground or graveyard; a place where dead bodies are buried
264. the con\_\_\_\_\_ce of an argument      *n.*    the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
265. wooden ca\_\_\_\_t      *n.*    a rectangular container, often made of wood or metal, in which a dead body is placed for burial or cremation

ANSWERS: 256. replace, 257. pajama, 258. affair, 259. mixture, 260. decompose, 261. aspect, 262. promote, 263. cemetery, 264. consequence, 265. casket

266. small sh\_\_b *n.* a woody plant that is smaller than a tree and has several main stems emerging from the soil
267. harmless ba\_\_\_\_ia *n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease
268. de\_\_\_\_p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
269. de\_\_\_e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
270. organic co\_\_\_\_t *n.* a mixture of organic matter, such as food scraps, yard waste, and manure, that is allowed to decompose and is used as fertilizer for plants and garden soil
271. a round bu\_\_\_l mound *n.* the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave
272. curry po\_\_\_r *n.* a dry and fine substance that consists of very small, loose particles
273. ch\_\_t in a game *v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws

ANSWERS: 266. shrub, 267. bacteria, 268. develop, 269. decide, 270. compost, 271. burial, 272. powder, 273. cheat

274. sc\_\_\_\_r seeds *v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
275. pos\_\_\_\_\_em findings *adj.* relating to or occurring after death; a postmortem examination is a medical examination of a body after death to determine the cause of death or to study the effects of a disease or medical treatment
276. co\_\_\_\_\_e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
277. a strict veg\_\_\_\_\_an *n.* a person who does not eat meat or fish, or often any animal products, for health or religious reasons
278. em\_\_\_m the body *v.* preserve a dead body by treating it with chemicals to delay decomposition and make it suitable for display at a funeral
279. ur\_\_n planning *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
280. run like h\_\_l *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
281. h\_\_l broke loose *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
282. the con\_\_\_\_\_ion law of physics *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

ANSWERS: 274. scatter, 275. postmortem, 276. consume, 277. vegetarian, 278. embalm, 279. urban, 280. hell, 281. hell, 282. conservation

283. h\_\_l on a rope *v.* to physically drag or pull someone or something with effort
284. a ri\_\_\_l dance *n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies
285. ma\_\_\_p artist *n.* colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance
286. hu\_\_\_e opinion *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
287. 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
288. lu\_\_\_\_\_te in a vacation *v.* to indulge oneself or take great pleasure in something, often in a lavish or self-indulgent manner; to enjoy something to a great extent, often with a sense of indulgence or extravagance
289. deep pu\_\_\_e *adj.* of a color intermediate between red and blue
290. ce\_\_\_\_\_ry plot *n.* a burial ground or graveyard; a place where dead bodies are buried
291. standard pr\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* a way of doing something, especially the official or well-known way
292. vi\_\_\_e by X-ray *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
293. lo\_\_\_e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

ANSWERS: 283. haul, 284. ritual, 285. makeup, 286. humble, 287. disease, 288. luxuriate, 289. purple, 290. cemetery, 291. procedure, 292. visible, 293. locate

294. dis\_\_\_\_\_te video content      *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
295. d\_e a T-shirt red      *v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance
296. ti\_\_\_t of gossip      *n.* a small and interesting or tasty piece of information, news, or gossip; a small and appetizing item of food or delicacy
297. d\_\_t track      *n.* soil, dust, or any substance that makes a surface not clean; the part of the earth's surface consisting of humus and disintegrated rock
298. sa\_\_\_\_\_ze the kitchen      *v.* to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication
299. wiggly w\_\_ms      *n.* a long, thin creature with a soft and long cylindrical tube-like body, no limbs, and a lack of eyes
300. tree and sh\_\_bs      *n.* a woody plant that is smaller than a tree and has several main stems emerging from the soil
301. me\_\_y handling      *adj.* disorganized and untidy
302. mo\_\_d of dirt      *n.* a raised area of ground or dirt, often used for burial, construction, or as a fortification; a large, rounded pile or heap
303. effects of cl\_\_\_\_\_e change      *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

ANSWERS: 294. distribute, 295. dye, 296. tidbit, 297. dirt, 298. sanitize, 299. worm, 300. shrub, 301. messy, 302. mound, 303. climate



304. mo\_\_\_\_\_ng ritual *n.* the act or expression of sorrow or grief for someone who has died; a period of time set aside for such grieving
305. in\_\_\_\_\_ic nutrition *adj.* being or consisting of nonliving stuff; chemical compounds that contain no or only trace amounts of carbon
306. li\_\_\_\_\_ck agriculture *n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens
307. sk\_\_\_\_\_on hand *n.* the structure of bones in a human or animal body, or a framework of bones or other material that supports a plant
308. fleshly de\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
309. ac\_\_\_\_\_ng attitude *adj.* willing to receive or to take something offered
310. back f\_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
311. cr\_\_\_\_\_re of habit *n.* a living being, especially an animal
312. re\_\_\_\_\_e problem *v.* to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way
313. mo\_\_\_\_\_le behavior *n.* a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds
314. a sw\_\_h of green grass *n.* a strip of land, especially a long, narrow one; a large amount or quantity of something

ANSWERS: 304. mourning, 305. inorganic, 306. livestock, 307. skeleton, 308. desire, 309. accepting, 310. fin, 311. creature, 312. reframe, 313. molecule, 314. swath

315. v\_\_t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
316. a\_h tree *n.* the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation
317. evolutionary bi\_\_\_\_y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
318. ind\_\_\_\_\_us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
319. radioactive de\_\_y *n.* the process or state of rotting or decomposition by natural causes such as the action of bacteria and fungi; (verb) to rot or decompose through natural causes
320. 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
321. artificial cr\_\_\_\_re *n.* a living being, especially an animal
322. the st\_\_\_\_\_re of a machine *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
323. rei\_\_\_\_\_ce capital punishment *v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued
324. san\_\_\_\_\_on standards *n.* the process of maintaining a clean and hygienic environment, particularly in public health and safety contexts; the practice of disposing of waste products in a safe and appropriate manner

ANSWERS: 315. vast, 316. ash, 317. biology, 318. industrious, 319. decay, 320. decide, 321. creature, 322. structure, 323. reintroduce, 324. sanitation

325. dedicated env\_\_\_\_\_ist      *n.* a person who is concerned with and advocates for the protection of the natural environment
326. a c\_\_p of wood      *n.* a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat
327. a cold cl\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
328. chemical pr\_\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
329. re\_\_\_\_\_se a photograph      *v.* to compose or create again, often by rearranging or reassembling existing elements; to regain composure or emotional stability
330. ca\_\_\_e hide      *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
331. em\_\_\_\_\_al distress      *adj.* relating to people's feelings
332. completely fas\_\_\_\_\_ng to me      *adj.* extremely interesting
333. amusing ti\_\_\_t      *n.* a small and interesting or tasty piece of information, news, or gossip; a small and appetizing item of food or delicacy
334. a bad pr\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a previous event or action that serves as an example or rule to authorize or justify similar events or actions in the future
335. military fo\_\_\_\_\_ss      *n.* a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers

ANSWERS: 325. environmentalist, 326. chip, 327. climate, 328. property, 329. recompose, 330. cattle, 331. emotional, 332. fascinating, 333. tidbit, 334. precedent, 335. fortress

336. a cell phone with an internet  
fa\_\_\_\_ty
337. equ\_\_\_\_\_nt in meaning
338. in\_\_\_e the smoke
- n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
- n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
- v.* to breathe in air or a different substance, such as smoke

ANSWERS: 336. facility, 337. equivalent, 338. inhale

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The kids used colored \_\_\_\_\_ to create a mural on the pavement.  
*n.* a soft, white, porous sedimentary rock composed of calcium carbonate, often used for drawing or writing on surfaces such as blackboards
2. She wore black clothing as a symbol of \_\_\_\_\_ for her grandmother.  
*n.* the act or expression of sorrow or grief for someone who has died; a period of time set aside for such grieving
3. Even though he knew it was wrong, he \_\_\_\_\_ on the exam.  
*v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws
4. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ of strength for our team in trouble.  
*n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
5. He was an \_\_\_\_\_ person who believed in diversity and inclusiveness.  
*adj.* willing to receive or to take something offered
6. Large earthquakes often generate \_\_\_\_\_ tsunamis.  
*adj.* very frightening or intimidating
7. She filled a \_\_\_\_\_ with water and carried it back to the house.  
*n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids
8. He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.  
*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 1. chalk, 2. mourning, 3. cheated, 4. tower, 5. accepting, 6. terrifying, 7. bucket, 8. industrious

9. He could never go against what \_\_\_\_ Carlos said.  
*n.* a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ ceremony was a somber reminder of his passing.  
*n.* the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave
11. You can add coffee grounds and crushed eggshells to your \_\_\_\_\_ to improve the pH balance.  
*n.* a mixture of organic matter, such as food scraps, yard waste, and manure, that is allowed to decompose and is used as fertilizer for plants and garden soil
12. The \_\_\_\_\_ are on the grassland and grazing.  
*n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
13. We visited the \_\_\_\_\_ to pay our respects to our deceased loved ones.  
*n.* a burial ground or graveyard; a place where dead bodies are buried
14. The city plans to \_\_\_\_\_ the park with new flowers and trees.  
*v.* to enhance the physical appearance of something by making it more attractive or aesthetically pleasing; to make something more attractive or appealing in general
15. The woman of the house does the holy \_\_\_\_\_ of lighting two candles.  
*n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies
16. The forest was recently designated a \_\_\_\_\_ area.  
*n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

ANSWERS: 9. Don, 10. burial, 11. compost, 12. cattle, 13. cemetery, 14. beautify, 15. ritual, 16. conservation

17. This company has an entire recycling \_\_\_\_\_ including major reprocessing plants.
- n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
18. The \_\_\_\_\_ sharp eyesight allows it to spot carrion from great distances.
- n.* a large bird of prey with a bald head, sharp beak, and keen eyesight, feeding mainly on carrion (the flesh of dead animals)
19. These economic activities had disastrous environmental \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
20. Scientists studied the ancient \_\_\_\_\_ to learn more about the creature's anatomy.
- n.* the structure of bones in a human or animal body, or a framework of bones or other material that supports a plant
21. The vegetation here is almost wholly \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
22. The battlefield became \_\_\_\_\_ on earth.
- n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
23. The \_\_\_\_\_ lobby changed the mindset of many conservative politicians.
- n.* a person who is concerned with and advocates for the protection of the natural environment

ANSWERS: 17. facility, 18. vulture's, 19. consequences, 20. skeleton, 21. native, 22. hell, 23. environmentalist

24. The company's \_\_\_\_\_ of its financial records led to a better understanding of its operations.
- n.* the act of making something known or revealing information that was previously hidden or secret, often used in legal or financial contexts
25. His estate was \_\_\_\_\_ to his sons.
- v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
26. The plant has a stunning \_\_\_\_\_ blossom.
- adj.* of a color intermediate between red and blue
27. \_\_\_\_\_ moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.
- n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
28. The government \_\_\_\_\_ contains top-secret documents and classified information that only a few individuals can access.
- n.* a large room or chamber used for storage, often for valuables such as money, documents, or artwork; (verb) to leap or jump over something; to move quickly or suddenly
29. The therapist tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his negative thoughts.
- v.* to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way
30. \_\_\_\_\_ substances include rocks and minerals.
- adj.* being or consisting of nonliving stuff; chemical compounds that contain no or only trace amounts of carbon
31. Their \_\_\_\_\_ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
- n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

ANSWERS: 24. disclosure, 25. distributed, 26. purple, 27. Soil, 28. vault, 29. reframe, 30. Inorganic, 31. religion



32. \_\_\_\_\_ scientists analyzed the DNA evidence to solve the crime.
- adj.* relating to the use of scientific methods and techniques to investigate and solve crimes or legal disputes; pertaining to or involved in legal or criminal proceedings; using scientific evidence to support a claim or argument in a court of law or other formal settings
33. There is plenty of space to \_\_\_\_\_ everyone.
- v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
34. The shape of the DNA \_\_\_\_\_ is a double helix.
- n.* a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds
35. The ancient \_\_\_\_\_ was built on a hill to give the defenders a strategic advantage.
- n.* a large and strongly built structure, typically with high walls and a moat, used as a military defense or for protection against attackers
36. The garden was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ and needed to be tilled before planting.
- n.* soil, dust, or any substance that makes a surface not clean; the part of the earth's surface consisting of humus and disintegrated rock
37. Leprosy is an indolent \_\_\_\_\_ disease.
- adj.* able to be passed quickly from one person, animal, or plant to another, especially through air or water
38. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
- n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

ANSWERS: 32. Forensic, 33. bury, 34. molecule, 35. fortress, 36. dirt, 37. infectious, 38. tradition

39. After a long work week, I \_\_\_\_\_ in a hot bubble bath.
- v.* to indulge oneself or take great pleasure in something, often in a lavish or self-indulgent manner; to enjoy something to a great extent, often with a sense of indulgence or extravagance
40. The museum had kept the paintings in remarkable \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the act of keeping something in its original state or of preventing it from being damaged
41. Low sexual \_\_\_\_\_ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.
- n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
42. The storm left a \_\_\_\_\_ of destruction behind it.
- n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
43. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
44. The deep sea \_\_\_\_\_ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.
- n.* a living being, especially an animal
45. The long \_\_\_\_\_ to the air tarnished the antique tableware.
- n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
46. 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

ANSWERS: 39. luxuriated, 40. preservation, 41. desire, 42. trail, 43. importance, 44. creature, 45. exposure, 46. decide

47. She \_\_\_\_\_ her hair purple for a change.
- v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance
48. The court used previous \_\_\_\_\_ to make its decision.
- n.* a previous event or action that serves as an example or rule to authorize or justify similar events or actions in the future
49. The hunter's approach \_\_\_\_\_ the geese.
- v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
50. The \_\_\_\_\_ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.
- n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
51. Exposure to high levels of \_\_\_\_\_ can irritate the eyes, nose, and throat, as well as respiratory problems and cancer.
- n.* a colorless, flammable liquid with a strong, pungent smell used as a preservative and in the manufacture of various products
52. The dead body was in an advanced state of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the process or state of rotting or decomposition by natural causes such as the action of bacteria and fungi; (verb) to rot or decompose through natural causes
53. The guru of that religion thought of himself as a \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth
54. The government should do more to support environmentally \_\_\_\_\_ agriculture.
- adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time

ANSWERS: 47. dyed, 48. precedents, 49. scattered, 50. chain, 51. formaldehyde, 52. decay, 53. savior, 54. sustainable

55. The medical examiner performed a \_\_\_\_\_ examination to determine the cause of death.

*adj.* relating to or occurring after death; a postmortem examination is a medical examination of a body after death to determine the cause of death or to study the effects of a disease or medical treatment

56. The \_\_\_\_\_ of organic matter releases nutrients back into the soil.

*n.* the process of breaking down organic matter into simpler substances through natural processes such as decay

57. 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

58. She is a natural \_\_\_\_\_ and doesn't need to dye her hair.

*adj.* of a light, yellowish-brown or golden color, typically describing hair color; (also spelled "blonde") a female with such hair color

59. 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

60. The employee \_\_\_\_\_ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

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

61. We must \_\_\_\_\_ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

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

ANSWERS: 55. postmortem, 56. decomposition, 57. cancer, 58. blond, 59. weaves, 60. deserved, 61. develop

62. The paint was a \_\_\_\_\_ of different pigments to achieve the desired color.
- n.* a combination of different elements, substances, or entities, usually in non-uniform proportions, resulting in a homogeneous or heterogeneous blend of physical or chemical properties
63. Since independence, the area has been completely \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
64. The government is planning to \_\_\_\_\_ wolves to the national park to restore the balance of the ecosystem.
- v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued
65. \_\_\_\_\_ prevalent in hospitals are often resistant to antibiotics.
- n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease
66. The nobler, the more \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
67. On three sides, mountains \_\_\_\_\_ the settlement.
- v.* to be all around something or somebody
68. The protective \_\_\_\_\_ covered the body in the coffin at the funeral.
- n.* a length of cloth or other material used to cover or wrap a dead body; something that conceals or obscures something else, often used metaphorically
69. The official transcript contains \_\_\_\_\_ academic records.
- adj.* correct and exact in all details

ANSWERS: 62. mixture, 63. ignored, 64. reintroduce, 65. Bacteria, 66. humble, 67. surround, 68. shroud, 69. accurate

70. This chemical compound is a thousand-fold more \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous

71. They used fast-acting \_\_\_\_\_ on the flowers in the flower beds.

*n.* any substance that is essential for the maintenance and growth of living things

72. \_\_\_\_\_ workers play a critical role in keeping our cities clean and healthy.

*n.* the process of maintaining a clean and hygienic environment, particularly in public health and safety contexts; the practice of disposing of waste products in a safe and appropriate manner

73. 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

74. He acted in \_\_\_\_\_ on her naked promises.

*n.* the state of depending on or needing something or someone

75. The funeral director closed the \_\_\_\_\_ and secured it with screws.

*n.* a rectangular container, often made of wood or metal, in which a dead body is placed for burial or cremation

76. The teacher shared a \_\_\_\_\_ of historical trivia to spark the students' interest.

*n.* a small and interesting or tasty piece of information, news, or gossip; a small and appetizing item of food or delicacy

77. It is terrific to camp in \_\_\_\_\_ nature.

*adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination

ANSWERS: 70. toxic, 71. nutrients, 72. Sanitation, 73. environment, 74. reliance, 75. casket, 76. tidbit, 77. pristine

78. This accident was something that happened \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
79. Everyone was aware of the impending \_\_\_\_\_ but was unable to prevent it.  
*n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
80. After the earthquake, many of the buildings in the city were left in ruins and began to \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to break down or cause to break down over time into simpler substances or elements
81. \_\_\_\_\_ feed is made from fodder crops.  
*n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens
82. A \_\_\_\_\_ audience viewed the broadcast.  
*adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
83. The mother was \_\_\_\_\_ as she searched for her lost child.  
*adj.* marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion; wild; frenzied
84. The shark's powerful \_\_\_\_\_ allowed it to swim at high speeds.  
*n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
85. \_\_\_\_\_ profiling is a new form of airport security.  
*adj.* of or relating to a person's face
86. My father's death \_\_\_\_\_ my life completely.  
*v.* to change in outward structure or looks;

ANSWERS: 78. necessarily, 79. doom, 80. decompose, 81. Livestock, 82. vast, 83. frantic, 84. fins, 85. Facial, 86. transformed

87. Too \_\_\_\_\_ a regulation for the private sector will stifle innovation.

*adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.

88. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my \_\_\_\_\_.

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

89. His \_\_\_\_\_ bedroom is always a source of frustration for his mother.

*adj.* disorganized and untidy

90. After the argument, she needed time alone to \_\_\_\_\_ and gather her thoughts.

*v.* to compose or create again, often by rearranging or reassembling existing elements; to regain composure or emotional stability

91. The president asked for a more \_\_\_\_\_ plan.

*adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement

92. Her beauty resulted from a good night's sleep rather than \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance

93. He \_\_\_\_\_ his life to helping others.

*v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

94. He wants to \_\_\_\_\_ ownership of the abandoned property.

*v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

ANSWERS: 87. strict, 88. colleague, 89. messy, 90. recompose, 91. concrete, 92. makeup, 93. dedicated, 94. claim



95. Under the \_\_\_\_\_ tree, they had a lovely picnic in the shade.

*n.* a deciduous tree or shrub that is often found near water, characterized by long, flexible, and slender branches and narrow leaves

96. My home is easily \_\_\_\_\_ from the shore.

*adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view

97. She wore an \_\_\_\_\_ evening gown to the gala.

*adj.* pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement

98. He \_\_\_\_\_ deeply, trying to calm down.

*v.* to breathe in air or a different substance, such as smoke

99. Some critics say this exhibition will be a big \_\_\_\_\_.

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

100. The funeral home's \_\_\_\_\_ facilitated all the necessary arrangements for the memorial service.

*n.* an individual who prepares dead bodies for burial or cremation; a funeral director

101. \_\_\_\_\_ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

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

102. It is \_\_\_\_\_ to see criminal behavior even though it is minor.

*adj.* not enjoyable or comfortable

ANSWERS: 95. willow, 96. visible, 97. elegant, 98. inhaled, 99. affair, 100. mortician, 101. Climate, 102. unpleasant

103. The project's \_\_\_\_\_ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.  
*n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
104. The police found the \_\_\_\_\_ in the abandoned building.  
*n.* the dead body of a human being
105. Many \_\_\_\_\_ areas are still impoverished.  
*adj.* of or relating to the countryside
106. He needed to resolve the problem as soon as possible, so he made an \_\_\_\_\_ directly.  
*n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
107. The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more \_\_\_\_\_ connection with the universe.  
*adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
108. The garbage in the alley began to \_\_\_\_\_ after a few hot days.  
*v.* to emit a strong, unpleasant odor; to have a strong offensive smell; to be corrupt or unethical
109. The government should do more to \_\_\_\_\_ sustainable agribusiness.  
*v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
110. My little sister loves to have \_\_\_\_\_ parties with her friends on the weekends.  
*n.* a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging

ANSWERS: 103. complexity, 104. corpse, 105. rural, 106. appeal, 107. spiritual, 108. stink, 109. promote, 110. pajama

111. She used a \_\_\_\_\_ brush to apply her foundation evenly.  
*n.* a dry and fine substance that consists of very small, loose particles
112. 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
113. The archaeologist carefully pieced together the tiny \_\_\_\_\_ of pottery found at the dig site.  
*n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached
114. The computer's hard \_\_\_\_\_ was full, so she had to delete some files.  
*n.* a flat, circular plate, typically made of metal, glass, or plastic, used for storing data or playing music
115. The organizational \_\_\_\_\_ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.  
*n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
116. He could no longer tell the difference between \_\_\_\_\_ and reality.  
*n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation
117. She is a major \_\_\_\_\_ to the local food bank, volunteering every week.  
*n.* a person or thing that adds to the achievement, production, or growth of something (such as a project, organization, or publication); a donor or benefactor
118. Only a small number of \_\_\_\_\_ utilities offer sanitation services.  
*adj.* relating to or located in a town or city

ANSWERS: 111. powder, 112. planet, 113. fragments, 114. disk, 115. structure, 116. illusion, 117. contributor, 118. urban

119. He \_\_\_\_\_ the letter with hot wax.

- v.* to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed

120. He stood to inherit a million-dollar \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a thing or things that belong to someone

121. I always \_\_\_\_\_ my hands before eating to prevent germs from spreading.

- v.* to clean or disinfect something to make it safe or hygienic; to remove potentially harmful or sensitive information from a document or communication

122. A smaller car will \_\_\_\_\_ less fuel.

- v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

123. The European Central Bank is Europe's \_\_\_\_\_ of the Federal Reserve.

- n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.

124. Having \_\_\_\_\_ parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.

- adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force

125. The waiter wore a freshly pressed \_\_\_\_\_ to serve at the upscale restaurant.

- n.* (also "tux") a formal suit of clothing for men, typically consisting of a black jacket with satin lapels and trousers with a stripe down the side, worn with a bow tie

126. We can use this campaign as a bargaining \_\_\_\_\_ in the negotiations.

- n.* a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat

ANSWERS: 119. sealed, 120. property, 121. sanitize, 122. consume, 123. equivalent, 124. underground, 125. tuxedo, 126. chip

127. The effort to alleviate climate change needs \_\_\_\_\_ action.

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

128. The politician remained \_\_\_\_\_ despite intense media scrutiny.

*adj.* without any or little sound

129. Eventually, the new design will \_\_\_\_\_ all older models.

*v.* to take the place of something

130. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

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

131. The volcanic \_\_\_\_ covered the island after the eruption.

*n.* the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation

132. The charity organization has helped to provide education to a vast \_\_\_\_\_ of the population.

*n.* a strip of land, especially a long, narrow one; a large amount or quantity of something

133. The third \_\_\_\_\_ was far more successful.

*n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

134. Human \_\_\_\_\_ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

*adj.* relating to people's feelings

ANSWERS: 127. bold, 128. silent, 129. replace, 130. economy, 131. ash, 132. swath, 133. attempt, 134. emotional

135. Push the button and let the water \_\_\_\_\_ away.

*v.* to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it

136. The team discovered a hidden \_\_\_\_\_ in the desert.

*n.* a raised area of ground or dirt, often used for burial, construction, or as a fortification; a large, rounded pile or heap

137. They plan to \_\_\_\_\_ their loved ones according to their cultural traditions.

*v.* to burn a dead body to reduce it to ash, often as part of a funeral or other death-related ritual

138. This artwork is \_\_\_\_\_ of her work.

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

139. The family gathered at the cemetery to place flowers on their loved one's \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a marker or monument placed at the head of a grave or burial site, typically inscribed with the name and dates of the person buried there

140. I want to \_\_\_\_\_ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

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

141. Many innocent civilians were killed and buried in mass \_\_\_\_\_ outside the city during the war.

*n.* a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature

142. These are \_\_\_\_\_ with no trunks that rarely grow taller than 3 meters.

*n.* a woody plant that is smaller than a tree and has several main stems emerging from the soil

ANSWERS: 135. drain, 136. mound, 137. cremate, 138. typical, 139. headstone, 140. propose, 141. graves, 142. shrubs

143. She \_\_\_\_\_ the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.

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

144. It has spacious rooms with wide \_\_\_\_\_ flooring.

*n.* the wood of a broadleaf tree, such as oak, ash, or beech, as contrasted to that of conifers

145. The museum houses a \_\_\_\_\_ collection of Celtic artifacts.

*adj.* extremely interesting

146. The family gathered at the private \_\_\_\_\_ to mourn the loss of their loved one.

*n.* a place or facility used for cremation, where dead bodies are incinerated and reduced to ashes

147. The mother used her breast milk to \_\_\_\_\_ the baby.

*v.* to provide a person, an animal, or plant with food to make them grow and stay healthy

148. Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political \_\_\_\_\_ in Europe.

*n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

149. She was the \_\_\_\_\_ to the rule, as she managed to graduate college in only two years.

*n.* something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands apart from others

150. The stalks of \_\_\_\_\_ can grow up to a foot per day in optimal conditions.

*n.* a fast-growing plant that has long, hollow stems and is widely used as a building material, food source, and decorative element, especially in Asian cultures

ANSWERS: 143. rubbed, 144. hardwood, 145. fascinating, 146. crematory, 147. nourish, 148. landscape, 149. exception, 150. bamboo

151. The service was \_\_\_\_\_ and the food was quite delicious.

*adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next

152. The kidney is an \_\_\_\_\_ component of the body.

*adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals

153. Six \_\_\_\_\_ are awaiting trial or verdict.

*n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

154. \_\_\_\_\_ help dispose of the food waste produced by humans.

*n.* a long, thin creature with a soft and long cylindrical tube-like body, no limbs, and a lack of eyes

155. The funeral director \_\_\_\_\_ the body to make it presentable for the wake.

*v.* preserve a dead body by treating it with chemicals to delay decomposition and make it suitable for display at a funeral

156. 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

157. 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

158. The robot can accurately \_\_\_\_\_ construction material.

*v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

ANSWERS: 151. seamless, 152. organic, 153. suits, 154. Worms, 155. embalmed, 156. disease, 157. biology, 158. locate



159. They had to \_\_\_\_\_ the boat out of the water for repairs.

*v.* to physically drag or pull someone or something with effort

160. I used an iron \_\_\_\_\_ to dig a hole for the new tree in the backyard.

*n.* a gardening tool with a flat, pointed blade used for digging, planting, and moving soil

161. I am \_\_\_\_\_ opposed to his idea because of morality.

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

162. His professional experience includes all \_\_\_\_\_ of media production.

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

163. The toad altered its appearance to better \_\_\_\_\_ in with its new environments.

*v.* to mix or combine two or more substances

164. Efficiency isn't an essential \_\_\_\_\_ here; fairness is.

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

165. The firm has grown into a large \_\_\_\_\_ manufacturing.

*adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;

166. The pilot and flight attendant ran through the check-out \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a way of doing something, especially the official or well-known way

167. The \_\_\_\_\_ outbreak in West Africa caused widespread panic and fear.

*n.* a highly contagious and often fatal viral disease that causes severe fever and internal bleeding, primarily occurring in remote areas of Central and West Africa

ANSWERS: 159. haul, 160. spade, 161. absolutely, 162. aspects, 163. blend, 164. principle, 165. chemical, 166. procedure, 167. Ebola

168. This restaurant has \_\_\_\_\_ dishes as well.

- n.* a person who does not eat meat or fish, or often any animal products, for health or religious reasons

169. Let's try to \_\_\_\_\_ a bit of enthusiasm into your performance.

- v.* to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)

ANSWERS: 168. vegetarian, 169. inject