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Session 1: Word List

introduction

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

synonym : initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**

The **introduction** to the new class was informative and engaging.

camel

n. a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions

(1) **camel** hair, (2) ride a **camel**

A **camel** has a hump on its back.

therapy

n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.

synonym : antidote, medicine, treatment

(1) **therapy** for a patient, (2) field of gene **therapy**

I underwent aversion **therapy** for my addiction to alcohol.

patient

n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or

characteristic

synonym : client, recipient, subject

(1) **patient** in the hospital, (2) **patient** with weight loss

The doctor carefully examined the **patient's** medical history.

magical

adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers

synonym : enchanting, occult, supernatural

(1) **magical** place, (2) **magical** powers

When I was a child, my mother often cast **magical** spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

ranch

n. a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house

synonym : farm, estate, homestead

(1) cattle **ranch**, (2) dude **ranch**

The cowboys rode their horses through the dusty trails of the **ranch**.

mundane

adj. very ordinary and therefore lacking interest or excitement

synonym : ordinary, everyday, prosaic

(1) **mundane** affairs, (2) **mundane** objects

After returning from the war, he had a pretty **mundane** life.

out-of-the-box

adj. referring to something unconventional, innovative, or creative, not adhering to traditional or mainstream approaches or ideas; of or relating to a product, solution, or way of thinking that is original or unique

synonym : innovative, unconventional, creative

(1) **out-of-the-box** thinking, (2) **out-of-the-box** solution

The new software comes with many **out-of-the-box** features that enhance productivity.

convinced

adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

synonym :

confident, positive, indoctrinated

(1) **convinced** of the idea, (2) **convinced** criminal
The public is **convinced** that the prime minister has committed fraud.

shuttle

n. a vehicle or boat that regularly moves between two places; bobbin that passes the weft thread between the warp threads

synonym : ferry, transport, convey

(1) space **shuttle**, (2) **shuttle** service

The **shuttle** bus will take you to the airport in 15 minutes.

furry

adj. covered in fur or a furry material; resembling fur

synonym : hairy, fuzzy, feathered

(1) the **furry** skin, (2) have **furry** leaves

The stuffed animal was so **furry** and soft that it was hard to resist hugging it.

pediatrics

n. the branch of medicine that deals with the care and treatment of children

synonym : pedology, child health

(1) **pediatrics** department, (2) **pediatrics** clinic

I am studying **pediatrics** in medical school because I love working with children.

palliate

v. to make a disease, condition, or symptom appear less severe or intense than it actually is; to alleviate or ease symptoms without curing the underlying cause

synonym : extenuate, soothe, relieve

(1) **palliate** symptoms, (2) attempts to **palliate**

The charity provided meals and shelter to **palliate** the suffering of the homeless population.

respite

n. a brief period of rest, relief, or delay from something difficult or unpleasant; a short break or vacation from regular activities or responsibilities

synonym :

break, interval, pause

(1) **respite** care, (2) a short **respite**

The vacation gave her a much-needed **respite** from work.

statistics

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

intensive

adj. involving a lot of work or activity in a short time

synonym: thorough, comprehensive, in-depth

(1) **intensive** agriculture, (2) **intensive** care

The construction industry is labor **intensive**, although it has been somewhat automated by introducing large machinery.

frustrate

v. to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

synonym: hinder, thwart, dishearten

(1) **frustrate** the advancement, (2) **frustrate** other team members

The coach explained a strategy to **frustrate** the opponent's schemes to the players.

dignify

v. to make something worthy of respect or honor; to elevate or give importance to something that may otherwise be considered insignificant

synonym: elevate, ennoble, honor

(1) **dignify** the role, (2) **dignify** the occasion

It's important to **dignify** other people's opinions and not

dismiss them without consideration.

acute

adj. extremely sharp or severe

synonym : sharp, perceptive, keen

(1) **acute** pain, (2) **acute** triangle

The patient died from **acute** alcohol intoxication.

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.

elevate

v. to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

synonym : lift, heighten, promote

(1) **elevate** educational standards, (2) **elevate** a close relationship

Eating food in a hurry **elevates** blood glucose levels.

rumble

v. to make a low, heavy continuous sound

synonym : roar, growl, grumble

(1) **rumble** an order, (2) **rumble** down the dirt track

The thunder **rumbled** in the distance.

overhead

n. the expense of maintaining something that is involved in operating a business, such as rent and heating; (adverb) above your head; in the sky

synonym : expense, upkeep, (adverb) aloft

(1) **overhead** capital, (2) a cloud passing **overhead**

This merger will help them reduce **overhead** costs substantially.

reverb

n. an audio effect that produces a sound that is reflected off surfaces in an enclosed space, creating a sense of space or ambiance; the natural echoing or reverberation of sound in a large or open space

synonym : echo, sound reflection

(1) **reverb** effect, (2) **reverb** chamber

The singer's voice had a natural **reverb** that sounded beautiful in the acoustically-designed church.

ward

n. a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care
synonym: room, division, unit

(1) a children's **ward**, (2) **ward** nurse

The patient was moved to the intensive care **ward** for further treatment.

fluorescent

adj. emitting or reflecting vibrant and vivid light, especially under ultraviolet light; describing a type of lamp or bulb that produces such light

synonym: luminescent, phosphorescent, radiant

(1) **fluorescent** bulb, (2) **fluorescent** material

The office installed new **fluorescent** lighting to save energy.

monitor

v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

synonym: proctor, check, observe

(1) **monitor** an exam, (2) **monitor** the data carefully

They used a special receiver to **monitor** police radio channels.

beep

v. to make a short, high-pitched sound, typically as a signal or warning

synonym: bleep, honk, buzz

(1) **beep** out a warning, (2) **beep** the horn

The timer **beeped**, reminding me that the cake was ready to come out of the oven.

elevator

n. a mechanical device used for vertical transportation, typically in multi-story buildings, consisting of a compartmentalized platform that moves between floors

synonym: lift, hoist

(1) **elevator** ride, (2) modern **elevator**

The hotel's **elevator** was out of order, so we had to take the stairs to our room on the fifth floor.

noisy

adj. making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound

synonym : loud, cacophonous, clamorous

(1) **noisy** neighbor, (2) **noisy** party

The construction outside was creating a **noisy** distraction from my work.

announce

v. to make something known or officially inform people about something

synonym : disclose, declare, broadcast

(1) **announce** candidacy, (2) **announce** the award winners

The third season of the anime show has been **announced**.

excruciating

adj. extremely painful, intense, or distressing; causing great physical or emotional suffering

synonym : agonizing, unbearable, torturous

(1) **excruciating** ordeal, (2) **excruciating** embarrassment

The **excruciating** pain in his ankle made it difficult to walk.

peaceful

adj. not involving violence, conflict, or war

synonym : friendly, pacific, amicable

(1) **peaceful** country, (2) **peaceful** coexistence

Plutonium has limited **peaceful** applications.

spot

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

synonym : dot, mark, place

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

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

calm

adj. not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves

synonym : quiet, peaceful, tranquility

(1) **calm** sea, (2) **calm** manner

It was the first time in a long time that I felt truly **calm** and at peace.

nurture

v. to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

synonym: boost, cultivate, enable

(1) **nurture** love, (2) **nurture** his talents

Schools should **nurture** children's mutual interest spirit.

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

synonym: interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**

He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

frequent

adj. happening constantly

synonym: periodic, recurring, routine

(1) **frequent** absence, (2) **frequent** use

His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

quarter

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

synonym: fourth, one-fourth

(1) a **quarter** mile, (2) end of the first **quarter**

The unemployment rate in the first **quarter** was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

sanctuary

n. a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse

synonym: refuge, safety, haven

(1) an animal **sanctuary**, (2) violate a **sanctuary**

The church offered **sanctuary** to refugees fleeing from war-torn countries.

outdo

v. to do better than someone; to surpass

synonym: excel, surpass, outshine

(1) **outdo** him in trickery, (2) **outdo** the competition

He tried to **outdo** his rival by breaking the world record.

playground

n. an area where many people go for recreation, especially at a school or in a park

synonym: park, garden, sandbox

(1) a well-equipped **playground**, (2) a **playground** on the roof

There is a woods with a creek near the school **playground**.

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.

heartbreak

n. a feeling of great sadness or disappointment

synonym: grief, sorrow, bitterness

(1) ease her **heartbreak**, (2) go through **heartbreak**

They had experienced the **heartbreak** of losing two children due to premature births.

brain

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

synonym: intellect, mind, encephalon

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

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

anomaly

n. something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand

synonym: abnormality, irregularity, deviation

(1) **anomaly** detection, (2) global temperature **anomaly**
The sudden drop in the stock market was an **anomaly** that puzzled many investors.

swallow

v. to make food, drink, pills, etc., pass down your throat into your stomach; (noun) small long-winged songbird noted for swift, graceful flight and the regularity of its migrations

synonym: consume, gulp, inhale

(1) **swallow** a handful of pills, (2) a **swallow** tail
I **swallowed** my anger and kept quiet.

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.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym: acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

survival

n. the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger

synonym: endurance, continuity

(1) **survival** ability, (2) **survival** food

He evaluated his chances for **survival** rather pessimistically.

treasure

n. a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects

or money that is hidden or protected

synonym : hoard, fortune, gem

(1) **treasure** hunt, (2) **treasure** island

The pirates searched for buried **treasure** in the dunes.

mere

adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

synonym : bare, minor, sheer

(1) **mere** acquaintance, (2) **mere** incident

He lost the election by **mere** votes.

hike

n. a long walk or journey, especially for pleasure or exercise; an increase in cost

synonym : walk, trek, excursion

(1) go on a **hike**, (2) a **hike** in prices

The family decided to **hike** in the mountains to enjoy the beautiful scenery.

aquatic

adj. growing or living in, on or near, or connected with water

synonym : marine, submarine, oceanic

(1) **aquatic** vehicles, (2) **aquatic** life

Aquatic ecosystems perform many essential environmental functions.

seizure

n. the action of taking something from somebody by the use of legal authority; a sudden occurrence or recurrence of a disease

synonym : confiscation, expropriation, takeover

(1) **seizure** of a debtor's property, (2) a heart **seizure**

Customs have made their biggest ever **seizure** of cocaine.

celebrate

v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

synonym : praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas

He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

mourn

v. to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone

synonym : grieve, lament, weep

(1) **mourn** with deep grief, (2) **mourn** death

We **mourned** the loss of our dear friend at the memorial service.

testament

n. a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

synonym : proof, testimony, testimonial

(1) give properties by **testament**, (2) **testament** to the superior quality

His wealth is a **testament** to his success.

outcome

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

synonym : result, consequence, effect

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

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

hospice

n. a specialized care facility or service for terminally ill patients intended to provide comfort and support in the final stages of life; any program, organization, or approach focused on end-of-life care and support

synonym : palliative care, nursing home, care center

(1) **hospice** care, (2) home **hospice**

The **hospice** team includes nurses, social workers, chaplains, and volunteers who work together to provide comprehensive care.

discomfort

n. a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain

synonym : affliction, despair, ache

(1) endure **discomfort** and pain, (2) **discomfort** in the abdomen

He felt no **discomfort** as the dentist drilled his deadened tooth.

frightening

adj. causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
synonym : scary, terrifying, alarming

(1) cast **frightening** eyes, (2) **frightening** experience

The news of the pandemic was a **frightening** reminder of the fragility of human health.

paralyze

v. to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel

synonym : immobilize, disable, numb

(1) **paralyze** a city, (2) **paralyze** a person

The venom from the snake bite **paralyzed** his arm.

debilitating

adj. weakening or damaging; causing a loss of strength, energy, or success

synonym : weakening, exhausting

(1) **debilitating** virus, (2) **debilitating** effect

His **debilitating** illness made it difficult for him to leave the house.

comprehend

v. to understand the nature or meaning of something fully

synonym : understand, grasp, apprehend

(1) **comprehend** English, (2) **comprehend** instructions

She struggled to **comprehend** complex math problems.

injustice

n. a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society

synonym : unfairness, bias, discrimination

(1) gross **injustice**, (2) **injustice** system

The **injustice** of the court's decision angered many people and led to protests.

brave

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

synonym : courageous, valiant, heroic

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

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

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true
synonym : chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

innocent

adj. not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge

synonym : blameless, honest, harmless

(1) an **innocent** child, (2) thousands of **innocent** people

My husband was found **innocent** of any crime.

unparalleled

adj. without parallel, equal in size, amount, quality, etc.; better or worse than any other

synonym : outstanding, phenomenal, remarkable

(1) **unparalleled** views, (2) an **unparalleled** achievement

Several American technology companies have achieved **unparalleled** success in terms of customer numbers.

wisdom

n. the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions

synonym : sagacity, discernment, insight

(1) a fountain of **wisdom**, (2) **wisdom** literature

The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's **wisdom**.

crystal

n. a solid material with many even sides that is formed naturally when the substance becomes solid and has a highly regular atomic structure; clear and colorless glass made of almost pure silica

synonym : quartz

(1) liquid **crystal**, (2) **crystal** analyses

A vast **crystal** chandelier glittered brightly above us.

neurology

n. the branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the nervous system

synonym : brain science, nervous system, neuropathology

(1) cognitive **neurology**, (2) **neurology** department

She is studying clinical **neurology** to become a brain surgeon.

operate

v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something

synonym : work, use, employ

(1) **operate** 24 hours a day, (2) manually **operate** a machine

This machine is too difficult to **operate** for me.

tumor

n. a mass of diseased tissue that forms when cells in the body divide and grow in an uncontrolled way

synonym : neoplasm, mass, lump

(1) **tumor** growth, (2) **tumor** at remote sites

The patient was diagnosed with a **tumor** in her lung.

decline

v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

synonym : descend, drop, deny

(1) **decline** a job offer, (2) **decline** in quality

As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually **declines**.

accelerate

v. to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly

synonym : speed up, quicken, rev

(1) **accelerate** a chemical reaction, (2) **accelerate** the car

The government tried to **accelerate** the commercialization of this development.

settle

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

synonym : inhabit, occupy, decide

(1) **settle** a dispute, (2) **settle** down in the town

I don't want to **settle** for second best.

entirely

adv. completely

synonym : completely, fully, totally

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

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

lavender

n. a fragrant herb of the mint family, typically having purple or blue flowers, sometimes used for its soothing scent in aromatherapy or as a flavoring in cooking and baking

(1) **lavender** fields, (2) **lavender-scented** bath products

I love the soothing scent of **lavender** essential oil.

kitty

n. a sum of money or a collection of funds that is pooled together by a group of people for a specific purpose, usually for a common expense, such as a shared meal, gambling, or other group activities

synonym : pot, pool, jackpot

(1) vacation **kitty**, (2) secret **kitty**

We put ten percent of our earnings into our home improvement **kitty** every week.

stabilize

v. to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way

synonym : brace, steady, secure

(1) **stabilize** prices, (2) **stabilize** blood sugar levels

The raising of interest rates **stabilizes** the inflation rate.

astonishment

n. a feeling of very great surprise

synonym : wonder, surprise, amazement

(1) blink in **astonishment**, (2) struck with **astonishment**

They stood rooted in **astonishment** for a while.

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym : spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only

improvisation.

contribute

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

synonym: donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,

(2) **contribute** to society

Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

(1) **improve** a process, (2) **improve** the test score

We want to **improve** ties between our two countries.

bump

v. to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident

synonym: collide, hit, jolt

(1) **bump** against a wall, (2) **bump** up prices

She accidentally **bumped** into him in the crowded room.

uncommon

adj. not occurring or seen very often; rare

synonym: rare, scarce, unusual

(1) **uncommon** occurrence, (2) **uncommon** talents

It was **uncommon** for the store to have such a big sale.

phenomenon

n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

synonym: marvel, wonder, splendor

(1) natural **phenomenon**, (2) historical **phenomenon**

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

outlive

v. to live longer than another person

synonym: continue, outlast, survive

(1) **outlive** its usefulness, (2) **outlive** our child

She **outlived** her husband for many years.

prognosis

n. the likely outcome or course of a disease or illness based on medical analysis and examination of the patient; a forecast or prediction of future events or developments

synonym : prospect, forecast, diagnosis

(1) **prognosis** of cancer, (2) poor **prognosis**

The doctor gave a positive **prognosis** for her recovery from the illness.

atmosphere

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

synonym : air, ambiance, circumstances

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

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

tasty

adj. having a strong and pleasant flavor when it is eaten

synonym : flavorful, delectable, delicious

(1) **tasty** treats, (2) prepare **tasty** food

This meal wasn't as **tasty** as we had imagined.

accommodate

v. to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose

synonym : house, rent, adjust

(1) **accommodate** a person with money, (2) **accommodate** these needs

This large SUV **accommodates** eight people.

resident

n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place

synonym : dweller, inhabitant, inhabitant

(1) a **resident** of the city, (2) **resident** tax

Visa renewal for **resident** foreigners in this country is once every five years.

pet *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
(1) a **pet** bird, (2) a teacher's **pet**
I have a parrot as a **pet**.

cozy *adj.* comfortable and warm; giving a feeling of comfort, warmth, and relaxation
synonym: comfortable, warm, snug
(1) have **cozy** relations, (2) **cozy** sound of rain
The fireplace made the room feel **cozy** and inviting.

wheelchair *n.* a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk
(1) electric-powered **wheelchair**, (2) **wheelchair** accessibility
This library rents out various types of folding **wheelchairs** for visitors.

fountain *n.* a structure usually consisting of a basin and a jet of water that is sprayed into the air, often used for decoration or as a source of drinking water
synonym: spring, well, spout
(1) **fountain** plaza, (2) decorative **fountain**
The **fountain** in the park provided a relaxing atmosphere.

hummingbird *n.* a small bird with a highly specialized beak and wings that allow it to hover in place, known for its rapid wingbeats and ability to fly in any direction
(1) **hummingbird** feeder, (2) **hummingbird** nest
Watching a **hummingbird** at a flower is like observing a miniature ballet of nature.

amazing *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful
(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling
The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

laughter

n. the act or sound of laughing

synonym : laugh, chuckle, giggle

(1) **laughter** all around, (2) bring **laughter**

Some doctor says **laughter** is the best medicine.

specialize

v. to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business

synonym : narrow down, particularize

(1) **specialize** in child care, (2) **specialize** in market research

The restaurant has chefs who **specialize** in beef.

string

n. long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads

synonym : line, wire, rope

(1) retie the **string** and make it strong, (2) tense piano **strings**

She wore a **string** of pearls around her neck.

bead

n. a small, usually round object made of glass, wood, or plastic that is used for decoration or as part of jewelry

synonym : pearl, droplet, marble

(1) a beautiful **bead**, (2) **bead** curtain

She threaded the **beads** onto the string to make a necklace.

jewelry

n. decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches

synonym : accessories, ornaments, adornments

(1) **jewelry** designer, (2) precious **jewelry**

I received a beautiful piece of **jewelry** from my partner for our anniversary.

pumpkin

n. large, round, yellow or orange fruit with a thick rind and pulpy interior, often carved into a Halloween decoration or used as a base for pies, soups, or other dishes

synonym : gourd, squash, vegetable

(1) **pumpkin** soup, (2) **pumpkin** pie

The **pumpkin** festival was filled with giant carved pumpkins on display and pumpkin-themed food stalls.

decorate

v. to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc

synonym : adorn, embellish, beautify

(1) **decorate** a wall, (2) **decorate** for Christmas

They **decorated** the room with balloons and streamers for the birthday party.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym : thrill, exhilarate, animate

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

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

boa

n. a type of large, nonvenomous snake that is often found in tropical regions, which kills its prey by suffocation, wrapping its body tightly around the animal until it can no longer breathe; a type of scarf or neckwear that is made from feathers, fur, or a combination of both

(1) red tail **boa**, (2) **boa** coat

The **boa** constrictor wrapped itself tightly around its prey.

occasion

n. a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

synonym : event, time, occurrence

(1) a glad **occasion**, (2) as **occasion** demands

She wore her best dress for the special **occasion**.

sparkle

v. to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy

synonym : shine, glimmer, twinkle

(1) **sparkle** like a gem, (2) **sparkle** from receiving light

The diamond **sparkled** in the sunlight.

tiara

n. a jeweled ornamental crown typically worn by women on formal occasions

synonym: diadem, crown, coronet

(1) **tiara** crown, (2) diamond **tiara**

The princess wore a **tiara** adorned with precious jewels to the ball.

greet

v. to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

synonym: welcome, salute, acknowledge

(1) **greet** a customer, (2) **greet** an idea

He **greeted** his friends with a warm smile and a hug.

strategy

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

synonym: approach, procedure, scenario

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

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

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.

acknowledged

adj. recognized or admitted as being true or valid

synonym: recognized, accepted, admitted

(1) **acknowledged** beauty, (2) publicly **acknowledged** truth

His **acknowledged** expertise in the field earned him the respect of his peers.

grin

v. to smile broadly

synonym: smile, smirk, chuckle

(1) **grin** from ear to ear, (2) **grin** with pleasure

He couldn't help but **grin** as he remembered the good times.

horrific

adj. causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying
synonym : terrifying, alarming, shocking

(1) **horrific** experience, (2) **horrific** condition

The accident scene was **horrific**, with bodies and debris scattered everywhere.

critic

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

synonym : pundit, analyst, attacker

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

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

component

n. one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger

synonym : element, part, factor

(1) key **component**, (2) spare **components** for cars

The researchers try to discover a common **component** in all types of successful organizations.

healthcare

n. the organized activity or business of preserving mental and physical health by preventing or treating illness through services offered by the health profession

(1) **healthcare** agency, (2) rising **healthcare** cost

In an aging population, citizens must pay more to maintain quality **healthcare**.

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.

grateful

adj. feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
synonym : thankful, appreciative, indebted

(1) a **grateful** breeze, (2) put a **grateful** expression
She was **grateful** for the help he provided.

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**.

freestanding

adj. not attached to a wall or other structure; not supported by anything

synonym : self-supporting, autonomous, independent

(1) **freestanding** fireplace, (2) **freestanding** enterprise
The **freestanding** sculpture was placed in the park's center for all to see.

anxious

adj. worried and nervous

synonym : nervous, uneasy, afraid

(1) **anxious** about his health, (2) an **anxious** look
He cast **anxious** glances behind her.

exhausted

adj. extremely tired

synonym : drowsy, depleted, fatigued

(1) the **exhausted** food sources, (2) **exhausted** parents
The **exhausted** runner fell to the ground and gasped.

harsh

adj. severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit

synonym : brutal, severe, backbreaking

(1) **harsh** climate, (2) use of **harsh** chemicals
The prime minister faced **harsh** criticism.

institutional

adj. of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.

synonym : corporate, governmental

(1) **institutional** bank, (2) address **institutional** constraints
We have to discuss the **institutional** reforms of our country.

virtual

adj. being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

synonym : practical

(1) a **virtual** image, (2) trading of **virtual** currencies
She is the **virtual** president of the company.

comparison

n. the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things

synonym : equivalence, analogy, contrast

(1) ease of **comparison**, (2) **comparison** of foods on a caloric basis

I've included the two designs for a **comparison**.

sake

n. purpose; reason for wanting something done

synonym : purpose, reason, interest

(1) for your own **sake**, (2) for the **sake** of argument

He got a new job for the **sake** of his family.

kingdom

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

synonym : empire, realm, land

(1) establish his **kingdom**, (2) a subordinate **kingdom**

By remaining neutral, this **kingdom** continued to exist.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

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

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

can-do

adj. having a positive, proactive attitude toward problem-solving or achieving goals; demonstrating a willingness or eagerness to take on tasks or challenges

synonym :

resourceful, capable, adaptable

(1) **can-do** attitude, (2) **can-do** mentality

The military's **can-do** mentality is the backbone of their mission success, as they are always prepared to adapt to any situation.

attitude

n. the way you think and feel about someone or something
synonym: mindset, perspective, philosophy

(1) **attitude** toward mistakes, (2) **attitude** control

She had the **attitude** that work was fun.

medical

adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

synonym: health, disease, treatment

(1) a **medical** opinion, (2) temporary **medical** treatment

The **medical** team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

extraordinary

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

synonym: exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

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

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

transition

n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

synonym: change, growth, shift

(1) **transition** phase, (2) ensure a smooth **transition**

The nation's healthcare system is in **transition** at the moment.

physician

n. a medical doctor who practices medicine

synonym: doctor, practitioner, medic

(1) the advice of the **physician**, (2) consult with a **physician**

She visited the local **physician** to seek treatment for her persistent headache.

gentle

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

synonym : mild, delicate, soft

(1) in a **gentle** voice, (2) **gentle** downward slope

Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

capture

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

synonym : catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

dichotomy

n. a division or contrast between two things that are or are represented as being opposed or entirely different; a sharp contrast between two opposing and mutually exclusive categories or concepts

synonym : division, duality, contrast

(1) moral **dichotomy**, (2) psychological **dichotomy**

The **dichotomy** between good and evil is common in literature and philosophy.

infant

n. a baby or very young child

synonym : baby, newborn, tot

(1) **infant** daughter, (2) **infant** food

Mozart was an **infant** prodigy.

usher

n. a person who shows people to their seats in a theater or church or who guides them through a building

synonym : guide, escort, conductor

(1) act as **usher**, (2) **usher** theater

The uniformed **usher** showed the guests to their seats.

magic

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

synonym : fascination, illusion, wizardry

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

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

ingredient

n. one of the things used to make something, especially one of the foods used to make a particular dish

synonym : element, component

(1) secret **ingredients**, (2) compound the **ingredients**

Greed is the primary **ingredient** in the making of criminals.

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.

diagnose

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

synonym : identify, analyze, interpret

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

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

restricted

adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

synonym : limited, determinate, fixed

(1) **restricted** area, (2) lactose **restricted** diet

The country has designated our products as **restricted** import goods.

chemotherapy

n. the treatment of disease, particularly cancer, using special drugs that have a toxic effect on cancer cells; frequently used in conjunction with other therapies such as surgery and radiation

synonym : anticancer treatment, radiotherapy, immunotherapy

(1) **chemotherapy** regimen, (2) **chemotherapy** side effects

Many cancer patients undergo **chemotherapy** as a treatment option.

rehabilitate

v. to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

synonym: reform, restore, renovate

(1) **rehabilitate** prisoners, (2) **rehabilitate** wildlife

The organization works to **rehabilitate** drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.

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**.

default

v. to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) a failure to fulfill an obligation or to meet a requirement; the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options

synonym: fail, neglect, omit

(1) **default** settings, (2) **default** on the mortgage

If you don't specify a different option, the computer will **default** to its original settings.

talent

n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

synonym: endowment, aptitude, capability

(1) a person of diverse **talents**, (2) raw **talent**

Numerous great professional sports **talents** have come from this city.

enchant

v. to cast a spell on; to fascinate or charm someone

synonym: charm, captivate, bewitch

(1) **enchant** the audience, (2) **enchant** the crowd

The fairy's spell **enchanted** the prince, making him fall asleep

for 100 years.

atrophy

n. a decrease in size of a muscle, organ, etc., caused by disease or disuse

synonym: disintegration, degeneration, wasting away

(1) weakness with **atrophy**, (2) **atrophy** of the muscles

Daily exercise and adequate sleep are necessary to prevent the progression of **atrophy**.

promenade

n. a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern

synonym: stroll, walkway, boulevard

(1) evening **promenade**, (2) **promenade** in the park

The boardwalk by the beach was a beautiful **promenade** for tourists and locals alike.

boutonniere

n. a small floral decoration worn on the lapel of a suit or jacket, typically by men, for formal occasions such as weddings or proms

(1) **boutonniere** pins, (2) floral **boutonniere**

He looked dapper, wearing a suit and a **boutonniere** on his lapel.

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.

lapel

n. the flat or folded part of the collar on a suit coat or other jacket that is turned back against the neck; a similar broad part of a garment, typically one that is not turned

up

synonym : collar, label, badge

(1) vintage **lapel**, (2) **lapel** microphone

He adjusted the pin on his **lapel** before giving his speech.

flurry

n. a sudden and brief burst of activity or emotion; a light snowfall with gusty winds and swirling snowflakes; a rapid or disorganized movement of small objects, such as leaves or petals

synonym : burst, storm, bustle

(1) **flurry** of activity, (2) **flurry** of emails

A **flurry** of snowflakes fell from the sky as we stepped outside.

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

synonym : implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

vintage

adj. denoting something from the past, especially from the recent past

synonym : old, classic, retro

(1) **vintage** wine, (2) a poor **vintage**

The **vintage** car collection was worth millions of dollars.

terrific

adj. causing terror or fear; extremely great or intense; very good or excellent

synonym : fantastic, great, excellent

(1) absolutely **terrific**, (2) at a **terrific** speed

The view from the top of the mountain was **terrific**, with sweeping vistas of the valley below.

photograph

n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

synonym : photo, picture, snapshot

(1) **photograph** album, (2) **photograph** memories

I found an old **photograph** of my grandparents from their wedding day.

attend

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

synonym : go, be present, accompany

(1) **attend** a meeting, (2) **attend** service

We must **attend** to this matter.

delight

n. a feeling of great pleasure or happiness

synonym : pleasure, joy, satisfaction

(1) a tremor of **delight**, (2) with **delight**

The **delight** on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.

abolish

v. to do away with completely; to put an end to

synonym : cancel, repeal, annul

(1) **abolish** slavery, (2) **abolish** censorship

The government voted to **abolish** the outdated law.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym : highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

pretension

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

synonym : presumption, pretense, affectation

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

His **pretensions** of being a gourmet were quickly exposed

when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

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.

compromise

v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

synonym: agree, settle, negotiate

(1) **compromise** the matter, (2) cannot **compromise** anymore

They never **compromised** on development despite the lack of funds.

bravery

n. courage in the face of danger

synonym: courage, valor, heroism

(1) **bravery** against the enemy, (2) **bravery** under fire

His **bravery** in the face of danger saved the lives of his comrades.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym: fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

Session 2: Spelling

1. ride a ca__l *n.* a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions
2. a qu____r mile *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
3. pre____on to authority *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
4. cast fri____ng eyes *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
5. out____box solution *adj.* referring to something unconventional, innovative, or creative, not adhering to traditional or mainstream approaches or ideas; of or relating to a product, solution, or way of thinking that is original or unique
6. b__d curtain *n.* a small, usually round object made of glass, wood, or plastic that is used for decoration or as part of jewelry
7. ge___e downward slope *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
8. precious je____y *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches

ANSWERS: 1. camel, 2. quarter, 3. pretension, 4. frightening, 5. out-of-the-box, 6. bead, 7. gentle, 8. jewelry

9. compound the ing_____nts *n.* one of the things used to make something, especially one of the foods used to make a particular dish
10. weakness with at_____y *n.* a decrease in size of a muscle, organ, etc., caused by disease or disuse
11. an animal sa_____ry *n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
12. home ho_____e *n.* a specialized care facility or service for terminally ill patients intended to provide comfort and support in the final stages of life; any program, organization, or approach focused on end-of-life care and support
13. acc_____te the car *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
14. ha__h climate *adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
15. che_____apy side effects *n.* the treatment of disease, particularly cancer, using special drugs that have a toxic effect on cancer cells; frequently used in conjunction with other therapies such as surgery and radiation
16. pe_____ul coexistence *adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
17. de_____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
18. hum_____rd nest *n.* a small bird with a highly specialized beak and wings that allow it to hover in place, known for its rapid wingbeats and ability to fly in any direction

ANSWERS: 9. ingredient, 10. atrophy, 11. sanctuary, 12. hospice, 13. accelerate, 14. harsh, 15. chemotherapy, 16. peaceful, 17. deserve, 18. hummingbird

19. beauty s__t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
20. prepare ta__y food *adj.* having a strong and pleasant flavor when it is eaten
21. pu____n pie *n.* large, round, yellow or orange fruit with a thick rind and pulpy interior, often carved into a Halloween decoration or used as a base for pies, soups, or other dishes
22. co_____ed of the idea *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
23. a vi_____l image *adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
24. la_____er all around *n.* the act or sound of laughing
25. out_____box thinking *adj.* referring to something unconventional, innovative, or creative, not adhering to traditional or mainstream approaches or ideas; of or relating to a product, solution, or way of thinking that is original or unique
26. for the s__e of argument *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
27. ou__o him in trickery *v.* to do better than someone; to surpass
28. a desirable ou_____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

ANSWERS: 19. spot, 20. tasty, 21. pumpkin, 22. convinced, 23. virtual, 24. laughter, 25. out-of-the-box, 26. sake, 27. outdo, 28. outcome

29. tra_____on phase *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
30. a s__t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
31. la_____er fields *n.* a fragrant herb of the mint family, typically having purple or blue flowers, sometimes used for its soothing scent in aromatherapy or as a flavoring in cooking and baking
32. ne_____gy department *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the nervous system
33. ho_____e care *n.* a specialized care facility or service for terminally ill patients intended to provide comfort and support in the final stages of life; any program, organization, or approach focused on end-of-life care and support
34. 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
35. gr__t a customer *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
36. st_____ze prices *v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
37. exc_____ing embarrassment *adj.* extremely painful, intense, or distressing; causing great physical or emotional suffering

ANSWERS: 29. transition, 30. spot, 31. lavender, 32. neurology, 33. hospice, 34. landscape, 35. greet, 36. stabilize, 37. excruciating

38. a me_____l opinion *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
39. ti__a crown *n.* a jeweled ornamental crown typically worn by women on formal occasions
40. mu_____e objects *adj.* very ordinary and therefore lacking interest or excitement
41. in_____ve care *adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
42. tense piano st____gs *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
43. as oc_____on demands *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
44. th_____y for a patient *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
45. ou_____e our child *v.* to live longer than another person
46. su_____al ability *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
47. temporary me_____l treatment *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
48. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

ANSWERS: 38. medical, 39. tiara, 40. mundane, 41. intensive, 42. string, 43. occasion, 44. therapy, 45. outlive, 46. survival, 47. medical, 48. improvisation

49. 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
50. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
51. im_____e a process *v.* to make or become better
52. con_____te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
53. in_____ce system *n.* a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
54. global temperature an_____y *n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand
55. no__y neighbor *adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound
56. acc_____te a person with money *v.* to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose
57. modern el_____or *n.* a mechanical device used for vertical transportation, typically in multi-story buildings, consisting of a compartmentalized platform that moves between floors
58. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
59. bou_____re pins *n.* a small floral decoration worn on the lapel of a suit or jacket, typically by men, for formal occasions such as weddings or proms

ANSWERS: 49. structure, 50. colleague, 51. improve, 52. contribute, 53. injustice, 54. anomaly, 55. noisy, 56. accommodate, 57. elevator, 58. locate, 59. boutonniere

60. raw ta___t *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
61. br_____y under fire *n.* courage in the face of danger
62. ins_____nal bank *adj.* of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.
63. de_____te for Christmas *v.* to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc
64. carbon dioxide in the atm_____re *n.* the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
65. ce_____te Christmas *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
66. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
67. pho_____ph memories *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
68. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
69. fr_____nt absence *adj.* happening constantly
70. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true

ANSWERS: 60. talent, 61. bravery, 62. institutional, 63. decorate, 64. atmosphere, 65. celebrate, 66. imaginary, 67. photograph, 68. strategy, 69. frequent, 70. possibility

71. el____e educational standards *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
72. fr_____te other team members *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
73. retie the st___g and make it strong *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
74. su_____al food *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
75. cattle ra__h *n.* a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house
76. the s__n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
77. vacation ki__y *n.* a sum of money or a collection of funds that is pooled together by a group of people for a specific purpose, usually for a common expense, such as a shared meal, gambling, or other group activities
78. the ul_____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order

ANSWERS: 71. elevate, 72. frustrate, 73. string, 74. survival, 75. ranch, 76. span, 77. kitty, 78. ultimate

79. fo____in plaza *n.* a structure usually consisting of a basin and a jet of water that is sprayed into the air, often used for decoration or as a source of drinking water
80. ensure a smooth tra_____on *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
81. pu_____n soup *n.* large, round, yellow or orange fruit with a thick rind and pulpy interior, often carved into a Halloween decoration or used as a base for pies, soups, or other dishes
82. blink in ast_____ent *n.* a feeling of very great surprise
83. tu__r at remote sites *n.* a mass of diseased tissue that forms when cells in the body divide and grow in an uncontrolled way
84. b__p up prices *v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident
85. use of ha__h chemicals *adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
86. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
87. ig___e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
88. act as us__r *n.* a person who shows people to their seats in a theater or church or who guides them through a building
89. vi_____e wine *adj.* denoting something from the past, especially from the recent past

ANSWERS: 79. fountain, 80. transition, 81. pumpkin, 82. astonishment, 83. tumor, 84. bump, 85. harsh, 86. imaginary, 87. ignore, 88. usher, 89. vintage

90. br__e soldier *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
91. an____ce the award winners *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
92. a gr____ul breeze *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
93. di____y the occasion *v.* to make something worthy of respect or honor; to elevate or give importance to something that may otherwise be considered insignificant
94. a cloud passing ov____ad *n.* the expense of maintaining something that is involved in operating a business, such as rent and heating; (adverb) above your head; in the sky
95. attempts to pa____te *v.* to make a disease, condition, or symptom appear less severe or intense than it actually is; to alleviate or ease symptoms without curing the underlying cause
96. aq____c vehicles *adj.* growing or living in, on or near, or connected with water
97. di____se with CT scans *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
98. a beautiful b__d *n.* a small, usually round object made of glass, wood, or plastic that is used for decoration or as part of jewelry
99. severe cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

ANSWERS: 90. brave, 91. announce, 92. grateful, 93. dignify, 94. overhead, 95. palliate, 96. aquatic, 97. diagnose, 98. bead, 99. critic

100. pa____t with weight loss *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
101. hea_____re agency *n.* the organized activity or business of preserving mental and physical health by preventing or treating illness through services offered by the health profession
102. a h__e in prices *n.* a long walk or journey, especially for pleasure or exercise; an increase in cost
103. cr_____l analyses *n.* a solid material with many even sides that is formed naturally when the substance becomes solid and has a highly regular atomic structure; clear and colorless glass made of almost pure silica
104. c__y sound of rain *adj.* comfortable and warm; giving a feeling of comfort, warmth, and relaxation
105. a well-equipped pla_____nd *n.* an area where many people go for recreation, especially at a school or in a park
106. the ul_____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
107. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
108. fr_____nt use *adj.* happening constantly

ANSWERS: 100. patient, 101. healthcare, 102. hike, 103. crystal, 104. cozy, 105. playground, 106. ultimate, 107. statistics, 108. frequent

109. ca___o attitude *adj.* having a positive, proactive attitude toward problem-solving or achieving goals; demonstrating a willingness or eagerness to take on tasks or challenges
110. rising hea_____re cost *n.* the organized activity or business of preserving mental and physical health by preventing or treating illness through services offered by the health profession
111. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
112. mo__n with deep grief *v.* to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
113. a fountain of wi___m *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
114. an_____ce candidacy *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
115. a teacher's p_t *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
116. consult with a ph_____an *n.* a medical doctor who practices medicine
117. br_____y against the enemy *n.* courage in the face of danger
118. art cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
119. ce_____te his election *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

ANSWERS: 109. can-do, 110. healthcare, 111. obvious, 112. mourn, 113. wisdom, 114. announce, 115. pet, 116. physician, 117. bravery, 118. critic, 119. celebrate

120. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
121. c__m manner *adj.* not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves
122. key co_____nt *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
123. an_____s about his health *adj.* worried and nervous
124. trading of vi_____l currencies *adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
125. at____d service *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
126. sh_____e service *n.* a vehicle or boat that regularly moves between two places; bobbin that passes the weft thread between the warp threads
127. spare co_____nts for cars *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
128. acc_____te a chemical reaction *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
129. reh_____ate wildlife *v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
130. vintage la__l *n.* the flat or folded part of the collar on a suit coat or other jacket that is turned back against the neck; a similar broad part of a garment, typically one that is not turned up

ANSWERS: 120. extraordinary, 121. calm, 122. component, 123. anxious, 124. virtual, 125. attend, 126. shuttle, 127. component, 128. accelerate, 129. rehabilitate, 130. lapel

131. electric-powered whe_____ir *n.* a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk
132. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
133. deb_____ing virus *adj.* weakening or damaging; causing a loss of strength, energy, or success
134. establish his ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
135. dis_____rt in the abdomen *n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain
136. fr_____te the advancement *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
137. un_____on occurrence *adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare
138. publicly ack_____ged truth *adj.* recognized or admitted as being true or valid
139. sw_____w a handful of pills *v.* to make food, drink, pills, etc., pass down your throat into your stomach; (noun) small long-winged songbird noted for swift, graceful flight and the regularity of its migrations
140. at____d a meeting *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
141. wi____m literature *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions

ANSWERS: 131. wheelchair, 132. amazing, 133. debilitating, 134. kingdom, 135. discomfort, 136. frustrate, 137. uncommon, 138. acknowledged, 139. swallow, 140. attend, 141. wisdom

142. de____t on the mortgage *v.* to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) a failure to fulfill an obligation or to meet a requirement; the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options
143. an an____s look *adj.* worried and nervous
144. acc____te these needs *v.* to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose
145. ho____ic condition *adj.* causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying
146. int____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
147. decorative fo____in *n.* a structure usually consisting of a basin and a jet of water that is sprayed into the air, often used for decoration or as a source of drinking water
148. the fu__y skin *adj.* covered in fur or a furry material; resembling fur
149. in__t daughter *n.* a baby or very young child

ANSWERS: 142. default, 143. anxious, 144. accommodate, 145. horrific, 146. introduction, 147. fountain, 148. furry, 149. infant

150. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
151. de_____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
152. struck with ast_____ent *n.* a feeling of very great surprise
153. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
154. re_____nt tax *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
155. ex_____e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
156. su_____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
157. improved student ou_____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
158. aq_____c life *adj.* growing or living in, on or near, or connected with water
159. w__d nurse *n.* a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care
160. g__n with pleasure *v.* to smile broadly
161. violate a sa_____ry *n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
162. mo__n death *v.* to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
163. military st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

ANSWERS: 150. colleague, 151. deserve, 152. astonishment, 153. involve, 154. resident, 155. excite, 156. surround, 157. outcome, 158. aquatic, 159. ward, 160. grin, 161. sanctuary, 162. mourn, 163. strategy

164. a children's w__d *n.* a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care
165. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
166. c__m sea *adj.* not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves
167. de_____e in quality *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
168. cognitive ne_____gy *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the nervous system
169. la_____er-scented bath products *n.* a fragrant herb of the mint family, typically having purple or blue flowers, sometimes used for its soothing scent in aromatherapy or as a flavoring in cooking and baking
170. ac__e pain *adj.* extremely sharp or severe
171. a person of diverse ta___ts *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
172. ease her hea_____ak *n.* a feeling of great sadness or disappointment
173. at_____y of the muscles *n.* a decrease in size of a muscle, organ, etc., caused by disease or disuse
174. have fu__y leaves *adj.* covered in fur or a furry material; resembling fur
175. de_____e a job offer *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

ANSWERS: 164. ward, 165. improvisation, 166. calm, 167. decline, 168. neurology, 169. lavender, 170. acute, 171. talent, 172. heartbreak, 173. atrophy, 174. furry, 175. decline

176. a heart se_____e *n.* the action of taking something from somebody by the use of legal authority; a sudden occurrence or recurrence of a disease
177. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
178. the average life s__n *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
179. tu__r growth *n.* a mass of diseased tissue that forms when cells in the body divide and grow in an uncontrolled way
180. red tail b_a *n.* a type of large, nonvenomous snake that is often found in tropical regions, which kills its prey by suffocation, wrapping its body tightly around the animal until it can no longer breathe; a type of scarf or neckwear that is made from feathers, fur, or a combination of both
181. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
182. go through hea_____ak *n.* a feeling of great sadness or disappointment
183. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
184. com_____se the matter *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

ANSWERS: 176. seizure, 177. extraordinary, 178. span, 179. tumor, 180. boa, 181. brain, 182. heartbreak, 183. psychology, 184. compromise

185. se___e down in the town	v.	to reach an agreement of disagreement
186. re_____ze achievement	v.	to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
187. have c__y relations	adj.	comfortable and warm; giving a feeling of comfort, warmth, and relaxation
188. pho_____ph album	n.	a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
189. address ins_____nal constraints	adj.	of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.
190. fre_____ing enterprise	adj.	not attached to a wall or other structure; not supported by anything
191. com_____ty theory	n.	the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
192. she is ma__c	n.	beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
193. m__e acquaintance	adj.	used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
194. poor pr_____is	n.	the likely outcome or course of a disease or illness based on medical analysis and examination of the patient; a forecast or prediction of future events or developments

ANSWERS: 185. settle, 186. recognize, 187. cozy, 188. photograph, 189. institutional, 190. freestanding, 191. complexity, 192. magic, 193. mere, 194. prognosis

195. b_a coat *n.* a type of large, nonvenomous snake that is often found in tropical regions, which kills its prey by suffocation, wrapping its body tightly around the animal until it can no longer breathe; a type of scarf or neckwear that is made from feathers, fur, or a combination of both
196. ex_____ed parents *adj.* extremely tired
197. op_____e 24 hours a day *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
198. b__p out a warning *v.* to make a short, high-pitched sound, typically as a signal or warning
199. at a te_____ic speed *adj.* causing terror or fear; extremely great or intense; very good or excellent
200. la__l microphone *n.* the flat or folded part of the collar on a suit coat or other jacket that is turned back against the neck; a similar broad part of a garment, typically one that is not turned up
201. gr__t an idea *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
202. fl___y of activity *n.* a sudden and brief burst of activity or emotion; a light snowfall with gusty winds and swirling snowflakes; a rapid or disorganized movement of small objects, such as leaves or petals
203. ease of com_____on *n.* the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things

ANSWERS: 195. boa, 196. exhausted, 197. operate, 198. beep, 199. terrific, 200. lapel, 201. greet, 202. flurry, 203. comparison

204. ca__l hair *n.* a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions
205. com_____on of foods on a caloric basis *n.* the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things
206. pr_____is of cancer *n.* the likely outcome or course of a disease or illness based on medical analysis and examination of the patient; a forecast or prediction of future events or developments
207. ma_____l place *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
208. space sh_____e *n.* a vehicle or boat that regularly moves between two places; bobbin that passes the weft thread between the warp threads
209. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
210. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
211. pa_____t in the hospital *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
212. gross in_____ce *n.* a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
213. ac__e triangle *adj.* extremely sharp or severe

ANSWERS: 204. camel, 205. comparison, 206. prognosis, 207. magical, 208. shuttle, 209. amazing, 210. capture, 211. patient, 212. injustice, 213. acute

214. liquid cr____l *n.* a solid material with many even sides that is formed naturally when the substance becomes solid and has a highly regular atomic structure; clear and colorless glass made of almost pure silica
215. re____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
216. manually op____e a machine *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
217. a convivial atm____re *n.* the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
218. b__p the horn *v.* to make a short, high-pitched sound, typically as a signal or warning
219. an____y detection *n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand
220. moral di____my *n.* a division or contrast between two things that are or are represented as being opposed or entirely different; a sharp contrast between two opposing and mutually exclusive categories or concepts
221. baseless pre____on *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

ANSWERS: 214. crystal, 215. recognize, 216. operate, 217. atmosphere, 218. beep, 219. anomaly, 220. dichotomy, 221. pretension

222. sp_____e like a gem *v.* to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy
223. cannot com_____se anymore *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
224. secret ing_____nts *n.* one of the things used to make something, especially one of the foods used to make a particular dish
225. tr_____re hunt *n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
226. deb_____ing effect *adj.* weakening or damaging; causing a loss of strength, energy, or success
227. g__n from ear to ear *v.* to smile broadly
228. unp_____led views *adj.* without parallel, equal in size, amount, quality, etc.; better or worse than any other
229. ta__y treats *adj.* having a strong and pleasant flavor when it is eaten
230. re___b chamber *n.* an audio effect that produces a sound that is reflected off surfaces in an enclosed space, creating a sense of space or ambiance; the natural echoing or reverberation of sound in a large or open space
231. a pla_____nd on the roof *n.* an area where many people go for recreation, especially at a school or in a park
232. ig___e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

ANSWERS: 222. sparkle, 223. compromise, 224. ingredient, 225. treasure, 226. debilitating, 227. grin, 228. unparalleled, 229. tasty, 230. reverb, 231. playground, 232. ignore

233. at_____de control *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
234. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
235. 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
236. pr_____de in the park *n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern
237. ov_____ad capital *n.* the expense of maintaining something that is involved in operating a business, such as rent and heating; (adverb) above your head; in the sky
238. bring la_____er *n.* the act or sound of laughing
239. con_____te a large sum of money to the fund *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
240. reh_____ate prisoners *v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
241. a subordinate ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen

ANSWERS: 233. attitude, 234. obvious, 235. develop, 236. promenade, 237. overhead, 238. laughter, 239. contribute, 240. rehabilitate, 241. kingdom

242. ru___e an order *v.* to make a low, heavy continuous sound
243. pe____ul country *adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
244. 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
245. ru___e down the dirt track *v.* to make a low, heavy continuous sound
246. che_____apy regimen *n.* the treatment of disease, particularly cancer, using special drugs that have a toxic effect on cancer cells; frequently used in conjunction with other therapies such as surgery and radiation
247. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
248. de_____te a wall *v.* to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc
249. el_____or ride *n.* a mechanical device used for vertical transportation, typically in multi-story buildings, consisting of a compartmentalized platform that moves between floors
250. pa_____te symptoms *v.* to make a disease, condition, or symptom appear less severe or intense than it actually is; to alleviate or ease symptoms without curing the underlying cause

ANSWERS: 242. rumble, 243. peaceful, 244. tuxedo, 245. rumble, 246. chemotherapy, 247. statistics, 248. decorate, 249. elevator, 250. palliate

251. an unp_____led achievement *adj.* without parallel, equal in size, amount, quality, etc.; better or worse than any other
252. ab_____h slavery *v.* to do away with completely; to put an end to
253. pa_____ze a person *v.* to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel
254. a sw_____w tail *v.* to make food, drink, pills, etc., pass down your throat into your stomach; (noun) small long-winged songbird noted for swift, graceful flight and the regularity of its migrations
255. ma_____l powers *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
256. st_____ze blood sugar levels *v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
257. ack_____ged beauty *adj.* recognized or admitted as being true or valid
258. end of the first qu_____r *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
259. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
260. psychological di_____my *n.* a division or contrast between two things that are or are represented as being opposed or entirely different; a sharp contrast between two opposing and mutually exclusive categories or concepts
261. re____b effect *n.* an audio effect that produces a sound that is reflected off surfaces in an enclosed space, creating a sense of space or ambiance; the natural echoing or reverberation of sound in a large or open space

ANSWERS: 251. unparalleled, 252. abolish, 253. paralyze, 254. swallow, 255. magical, 256. stabilize, 257. acknowledged, 258. quarter, 259. complexity, 260. dichotomy, 261. reverb

262. floral bou_____re *n.* a small floral decoration worn on the lapel of a suit or jacket, typically by men, for formal occasions such as weddings or proms
263. nu_____e his talents *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
264. en_____t the crowd *v.* to cast a spell on; to fascinate or charm someone
265. ou__o the competition *v.* to do better than someone; to surpass
266. di_____y the role *v.* to make something worthy of respect or honor; to elevate or give importance to something that may otherwise be considered insignificant
267. ab_____h censorship *v.* to do away with completely; to put an end to
268. spe_____ze in market research *v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
269. for your own s__e *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
270. 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
271. co_____ed criminal *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

ANSWERS: 262. boutonniere, 263. nurture, 264. enchant, 265. outdo, 266. dignify, 267. abolish, 268. specialize, 269. sake, 270. develop, 271. convinced

272. se___e a dispute *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
273. a glad oc____on *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
274. evening pr____de *n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern
275. a p_t bird *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
276. mo____r an exam *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
277. whe____ir accessibility *n.* a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk
278. 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
279. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
280. in____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

ANSWERS: 272. settle, 273. occasion, 274. promenade, 275. pet, 276. monitor, 277. wheelchair, 278. structure, 279. excite, 280. involve

281. tr____re island *n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
282. je____y designer *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
283. re____e care *n.* a brief period of rest, relief, or delay from something difficult or unpleasant; a short break or vacation from regular activities or responsibilities
284. in____t food *n.* a baby or very young child
285. lo____e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
286. us__r theater *n.* a person who shows people to their seats in a theater or church or who guides them through a building
287. fri____ng experience *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
288. ho____ic experience *adj.* causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying
289. se____e of a debtor's property *n.* the action of taking something from somebody by the use of legal authority; a sudden occurrence or recurrence of a disease
290. thousands of in____nt people *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge

ANSWERS: 281. treasure, 282. jewelry, 283. respite, 284. infant, 285. locate, 286. usher, 287. frightening, 288. horrific, 289. seizure, 290. innocent

291. dude ra__h *n.* a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house
292. lactose res_____ed diet *adj.* limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.
293. un_____on talents *adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare
294. go on a h__e *n.* a long walk or journey, especially for pleasure or exercise; an increase in cost
295. ped_____cs clinic *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the care and treatment of children
296. no__y party *adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound
297. di_____se the problem *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
298. el_____e a close relationship *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
299. the advice of the ph_____an *n.* a medical doctor who practices medicine
300. te_____nt to the superior quality *n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
301. mo_____r the data carefully *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

ANSWERS: 291. ranch, 292. restricted, 293. uncommon, 294. hike, 295. pediatrics, 296. noisy, 297. diagnose, 298. elevate, 299. physician, 300. testament, 301. monitor

302. ca___o mentality *adj.* having a positive, proactive attitude toward problem-solving or achieving goals; demonstrating a willingness or eagerness to take on tasks or challenges
303. with de_____t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
304. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
305. flu_____nt material *adj.* emitting or reflecting vibrant and vivid light, especially under ultraviolet light; describing a type of lamp or bulb that produces such light
306. en_____t the audience *v.* to cast a spell on; to fascinate or charm someone
307. 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
308. spe_____ze in child care *v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
309. secret ki__y *n.* a sum of money or a collection of funds that is pooled together by a group of people for a specific purpose, usually for a common expense, such as a shared meal, gambling, or other group activities
310. field of gene th_____y *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
311. the ex_____ed food sources *adj.* extremely tired

ANSWERS: 302. can-do, 303. delight, 304. psychology, 305. fluorescent, 306. enchant, 307. tuxedo, 308. specialize, 309. kitty, 310. therapy, 311. exhausted

312. hum_____rd feeder *n.* a small bird with a highly specialized beak and wings that allow it to hover in place, known for its rapid wingbeats and ability to fly in any direction
313. com_____nd English *v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
314. en_____ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
315. de_____t settings *v.* to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) a failure to fulfill an obligation or to meet a requirement; the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options
316. in_____ve agriculture *adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
317. exc_____ing ordeal *adj.* extremely painful, intense, or distressing; causing great physical or emotional suffering
318. m__e incident *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
319. a tremor of de_____t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
320. b__p against a wall *v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident

ANSWERS: 312. hummingbird, 313. comprehend, 314. entirely, 315. default, 316. intensive, 317. excruciating, 318. mere, 319. delight, 320. bump

321. pa____ze a city *v.* to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel
322. ou____e its usefulness *v.* to live longer than another person
323. fl____y of emails *n.* a sudden and brief burst of activity or emotion; a light snowfall with gusty winds and swirling snowflakes; a rapid or disorganized movement of small objects, such as leaves or petals
324. res____ed area *adj.* limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.
325. self-int____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
326. a poor vi____e *adj.* denoting something from the past, especially from the recent past
327. sp____e from receiving light *v.* to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy
328. ped____cs department *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the care and treatment of children
329. a short re____e *n.* a brief period of rest, relief, or delay from something difficult or unpleasant; a short break or vacation from regular activities or responsibilities
330. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

ANSWERS: 321. paralyze, 322. outlive, 323. flurry, 324. restricted, 325. introduction, 326. vintage, 327. sparkle, 328. pediatrics, 329. respite, 330. brain

331. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
332. at_____de toward mistakes *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
333. fre_____ing fireplace *adj.* not attached to a wall or other structure; not supported by anything
334. im_____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
335. 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
336. endure dis_____rt and pain *n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain
337. give properties by te_____nt *n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
338. a stone wall su_____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
339. an in_____nt child *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
340. mu_____e affairs *adj.* very ordinary and therefore lacking interest or excitement
341. put a gr_____ul expression *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
342. com_____nd instructions *v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
343. ca_____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

ANSWERS: 331. possibility, 332. attitude, 333. freestanding, 334. improve, 335. landscape, 336. discomfort, 337. testament, 338. surround, 339. innocent, 340. mundane, 341. grateful, 342. comprehend, 343. capture

344. br__e decision *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
345. absolutely te____ic *adj.* causing terror or fear; extremely great or intense; very good or excellent
346. diamond ti__a *n.* a jeweled ornamental crown typically worn by women on formal occasions
347. natural phe____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
348. flu_____nt bulb *adj.* emitting or reflecting vibrant and vivid light, especially under ultraviolet light; describing a type of lamp or bulb that produces such light
349. nu_____e love *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
350. a re_____nt of the city *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
351. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
352. historical phe____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
353. in a ge___e voice *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
354. he was en_____ly to blame *adv.* completely

ANSWERS: 344. brave, 345. terrific, 346. tiara, 347. phenomenon, 348. fluorescent, 349. nurture, 350. resident, 351. magic, 352. phenomenon, 353. gentle, 354. entirely

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ bus will take you to the airport in 15 minutes.
n. a vehicle or boat that regularly moves between two places; bobbin that passes the weft thread between the warp threads

2. The construction outside was creating a _____ distraction from my work.
adj. making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound

3. The military's _____ mentality is the backbone of their mission success, as they are always prepared to adapt to any situation.
adj. having a positive, proactive attitude toward problem-solving or achieving goals; demonstrating a willingness or eagerness to take on tasks or challenges

4. The patient died from _____ alcohol intoxication.
adj. extremely sharp or severe

5. The _____ firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.
adj. showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

6. The news of her promotion _____ her.
v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

7. As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually _____.
v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

8. Schools should _____ children's mutual interest spirit.
v. to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

ANSWERS: 1. shuttle, 2. noisy, 3. can-do, 4. acute, 5. brave, 6. excited, 7. declines, 8. nurture

9. We _____ the loss of our dear friend at the memorial service.
v. to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
10. The _____ of the court's decision angered many people and led to protests.
n. a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
11. The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's _____.
n. the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
12. The pirates searched for buried _____ in the dunes.
n. a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
13. The prime minister faced _____ criticism.
adj. severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
14. She visited the local _____ to seek treatment for her persistent headache.
n. a medical doctor who practices medicine
15. He adjusted the pin on his _____ before giving his speech.
n. the flat or folded part of the collar on a suit coat or other jacket that is turned back against the neck; a similar broad part of a garment, typically one that is not turned up
16. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.
adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

ANSWERS: 9. mourned, 10. injustice, 11. wisdom, 12. treasure, 13. harsh, 14. physician, 15. lapel, 16. extraordinary

17. The construction industry is labor _____ although it has been somewhat automated by introducing large machinery.

adj. involving a lot of work or activity in a short time

18. My husband was found _____ of any crime.

adj. not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge

19. The patient was diagnosed with a _____ in her lung.

n. a mass of diseased tissue that forms when cells in the body divide and grow in an uncontrolled way

20. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.

v. to be all around something or somebody

21. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

22. The doctor gave a positive _____ for her recovery from the illness.

n. the likely outcome or course of a disease or illness based on medical analysis and examination of the patient; a forecast or prediction of future events or developments

23. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

24. He tried to _____ his rival by breaking the world record.

v. to do better than someone; to surpass

ANSWERS: 17. intensive, 18. innocent, 19. tumor, 20. surround, 21. involves, 22. prognosis, 23. introduction, 24. outdo

25. The princess wore a _____ adorned with precious jewels to the ball.
n. a jeweled ornamental crown typically worn by women on formal occasions
26. If you don't specify a different option, the computer will _____ to its original settings.
v. to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) a failure to fulfill an obligation or to meet a requirement; the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options
27. The raising of interest rates _____ the inflation rate.
v. to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
28. The public is _____ that the prime minister has committed fraud.
adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
29. They _____ the room with balloons and streamers for the birthday party.
v. to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc
30. The view from the top of the mountain was _____ with sweeping vistas of the valley below.
adj. causing terror or fear; extremely great or intense; very good or excellent
31. It was _____ for the store to have such a big sale.
adj. not occurring or seen very often; rare
32. He lost the election by _____ votes.
adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

ANSWERS: 25. tiara, 26. default, 27. stabilizes, 28. convinced, 29. decorated, 30. terrific, 31. uncommon, 32. mere

33. The accident scene was _____ with bodies and debris scattered everywhere.

adj. causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying

34. His _____ illness made it difficult for him to leave the house.

adj. weakening or damaging; causing a loss of strength, energy, or success

35. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

36. Eating food in a hurry _____ blood glucose levels.

v. to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

37. The ____ constrictor wrapped itself tightly around its prey.

n. a type of large, nonvenomous snake that is often found in tropical regions, which kills its prey by suffocation, wrapping its body tightly around the animal until it can no longer breathe; a type of scarf or neckwear that is made from feathers, fur, or a combination of both

38. They stood rooted in _____ for a while.

n. a feeling of very great surprise

39. His _____ in the face of danger saved the lives of his comrades.

n. courage in the face of danger

40. The singer's voice had a natural _____ that sounded beautiful in the acoustically-designed church.

n. an audio effect that produces a sound that is reflected off surfaces in an enclosed space, creating a sense of space or ambiance; the natural echoing or reverberation of sound in a large or open space

ANSWERS: 33. horrific, 34. debilitating, 35. amazing, 36. elevates, 37. boa, 38. astonishment, 39. bravery, 40. reverb

41. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
- n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
42. Greed is the primary _____ in the making of criminals.
- n.* one of the things used to make something, especially one of the foods used to make a particular dish
43. His heartaches are less _____ now.
- adj.* happening constantly
44. The diamond _____ in the sunlight.
- v.* to emit or reflect bright flashes of light, especially with animation and joy
45. She struggled to _____ complex math problems.
- v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
46. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.
- v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
47. The _____ in the park provided a relaxing atmosphere.
- n.* a structure usually consisting of a basin and a jet of water that is sprayed into the air, often used for decoration or as a source of drinking water
48. The _____ runner fell to the ground and gasped.
- adj.* extremely tired
49. After returning from the war, he had a pretty _____ life.
- adj.* very ordinary and therefore lacking interest or excitement

ANSWERS: 41. strategy, 42. ingredient, 43. frequent, 44. sparkled, 45. comprehend, 46. celebrated, 47. fountain, 48. exhausted, 49. mundane

50. 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
51. By remaining neutral, this _____ continued to exist.
n. the country ruled by a king or queen
52. The _____ festival was filled with giant carved pumpkins on display and pumpkin-themed food stalls.
n. large, round, yellow or orange fruit with a thick rind and pulpy interior, often carved into a Halloween decoration or used as a base for pies, soups, or other dishes
53. He got a new job for the _____ of his family.
n. purpose; reason for wanting something done
54. The restaurant has chefs who _____ in beef.
v. to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
55. 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
56. This merger will help them reduce _____ costs substantially.
n. the expense of maintaining something that is involved in operating a business, such as rent and heating; (adverb) above your head; in the sky
57. The hotel's _____ was out of order, so we had to take the stairs to our room on the fifth floor.
n. a mechanical device used for vertical transportation, typically in multi-story buildings, consisting of a compartmentalized platform that moves between floors

ANSWERS: 50. complexity, 51. kingdom, 52. pumpkin, 53. sake, 54. specialize, 55. colleague, 56. overhead, 57. elevator

58. She had a master's degree in _____.
- n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
59. This large SUV _____ eight people.
- v.* to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose
60. The organization works to _____ drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.
- v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
61. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.
- n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
62. The _____ on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.
- n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
63. Watching a _____ at a flower is like observing a miniature ballet of nature.
- n.* a small bird with a highly specialized beak and wings that allow it to hover in place, known for its rapid wingbeats and ability to fly in any direction
64. She is studying clinical _____ to become a brain surgeon.
- n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the nervous system
65. The patient was moved to the intensive care _____ for further treatment.
- n.* a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care

ANSWERS: 58. psychology, 59. accommodates, 60. rehabilitate, 61. brain, 62. delight, 63. hummingbird, 64. neurology, 65. ward

66. I was able to _____ the moment on film.
- v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
67. The government tried to _____ the commercialization of this development.
- v. to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
68. The news of the pandemic was a _____ reminder of the fragility of human health.
- adj. causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
69. The sudden drop in the stock market was an _____ that puzzled many investors.
- n. something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand
70. A rainbow is a natural _____.
- n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
71. I love the soothing scent of _____ essential oil.
- n. a fragrant herb of the mint family, typically having purple or blue flowers, sometimes used for its soothing scent in aromatherapy or as a flavoring in cooking and baking
72. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 66. capture, 67. accelerate, 68. frightening, 69. anomaly, 70. phenomenon, 71. lavender, 72. statistics

73. The uniformed _____ showed the guests to their seats.

n. a person who shows people to their seats in a theater or church or who guides them through a building

74. She is the _____ president of the company.

adj. being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

75. The family decided to _____ in the mountains to enjoy the beautiful scenery.

n. a long walk or journey, especially for pleasure or exercise; an increase in cost

76. The vacation gave her a much-needed _____ from work.

n. a brief period of rest, relief, or delay from something difficult or unpleasant; a short break or vacation from regular activities or responsibilities

77. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

78. The third season of the anime show has been _____.

v. to make something known or officially inform people about something

79. The country has designated our products as _____ import goods.

adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

80. 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

ANSWERS: 73. usher, 74. virtual, 75. hike, 76. respite, 77. recognize, 78. announced, 79. restricted, 80. tuxedo

81. The doctor carefully examined the _____ medical history.
- n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
82. The boardwalk by the beach was a beautiful _____ for tourists and locals alike.
- n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern
83. He slightly modified the _____ of training because it was just before a match.
- n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
84. This device is used to _____ brain cancer and other tumors.
- v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
85. They had experienced the _____ of losing two children due to premature births.
- n.* a feeling of great sadness or disappointment
86. In an aging population, citizens must pay more to maintain quality _____.
- n.* the organized activity or business of preserving mental and physical health by preventing or treating illness through services offered by the health profession
87. She wore her best dress for the special _____.
- n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

ANSWERS: 81. patient's, 82. promenade, 83. span, 84. diagnose, 85. heartbreak, 86. healthcare, 87. occasion

88. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.
- n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
89. Many cancer patients undergo _____ as a treatment option.
- n.* the treatment of disease, particularly cancer, using special drugs that have a toxic effect on cancer cells; frequently used in conjunction with other therapies such as surgery and radiation
90. The nation's healthcare system is in _____ at the moment.
- n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
91. They never _____ on development despite the lack of funds.
- v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
92. The church offered _____ to refugees fleeing from war-torn countries.
- n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
93. Some doctor says _____ is the best medicine.
- n.* the act or sound of laughing
94. The fireplace made the room feel _____ and inviting.
- adj.* comfortable and warm; giving a feeling of comfort, warmth, and relaxation
95. She threaded the _____ onto the string to make a necklace.
- n.* a small, usually round object made of glass, wood, or plastic that is used for decoration or as part of jewelry
96. She wore a _____ of pearls around her neck.
- n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads

ANSWERS: 88. improvisation, 89. chemotherapy, 90. transition, 91. compromised, 92. sanctuary, 93. laughter, 94. cozy, 95. beads, 96. string

97. The _____ team worked quickly to save the patient's life.
adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
98. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.
v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
99. The stuffed animal was so _____ and soft that it was hard to resist hugging it.
adj. covered in fur or a furry material; resembling fur
100. He _____ his friends with a warm smile and a hug.
v. to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
101. The venom from the snake bite _____ his arm.
v. to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel
102. The cowboys rode their horses through the dusty trails of the _____.
n. a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house
103. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
adj. easy to see, discover or understand
104. _____ ecosystems perform many essential environmental functions.
adj. growing or living in, on or near, or connected with water
105. Plutonium has limited _____ applications.
adj. not involving violence, conflict, or war
106. It was the first time in a long time that I felt truly _____ and at peace.
adj. not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves

ANSWERS: 97. medical, 98. deserved, 99. furry, 100. greeted, 101. paralyzed, 102. ranch, 103. obvious, 104. Aquatic, 105. peaceful, 106. calm

107. The charity provided meals and shelter to _____ the suffering of the homeless population.

- v. to make a disease, condition, or symptom appear less severe or intense than it actually is; to alleviate or ease symptoms without curing the underlying cause

108. The coach explained a strategy to _____ the opponent's schemes to the players.

- v. to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

109. We put ten percent of our earnings into our home improvement _____ every week.

- n. a sum of money or a collection of funds that is pooled together by a group of people for a specific purpose, usually for a common expense, such as a shared meal, gambling, or other group activities

110. A vast _____ chandelier glittered brightly above us.

- n. a solid material with many even sides that is formed naturally when the substance becomes solid and has a highly regular atomic structure; clear and colorless glass made of almost pure silica

111. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.

- v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

112. He looked dapper, wearing a suit and a _____ on his lapel.

- n. a small floral decoration worn on the lapel of a suit or jacket, typically by men, for formal occasions such as weddings or proms

ANSWERS: 107. palliate, 108. frustrate, 109. kitty, 110. crystal, 111. contribute, 112. boutonniere

113. A _____ of snowflakes fell from the sky as we stepped outside.
n. a sudden and brief burst of activity or emotion; a light snowfall with gusty winds and swirling snowflakes; a rapid or disorganized movement of small objects, such as leaves or petals
114. The _____ team includes nurses, social workers, chaplains, and volunteers who work together to provide comprehensive care.
n. a specialized care facility or service for terminally ill patients intended to provide comfort and support in the final stages of life; any program, organization, or approach focused on end-of-life care and support
115. Numerous great professional sports _____ have come from this city.
n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
116. There is a woods with a creek near the school _____.
n. an area where many people go for recreation, especially at a school or in a park
117. Visa renewal for _____ foreigners in this country is once every five years.
n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
118. His _____ expertise in the field earned him the respect of his peers.
adj. recognized or admitted as being true or valid
119. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.
n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
120. She was _____ for the help he provided.
adj. feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful

ANSWERS: 113. flurry, 114. hospice, 115. talents, 116. playground, 117. resident, 118. acknowledged, 119. outcome, 120. grateful

121. I have a parrot as a ____.

n. an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

122. This library rents out various types of folding _____ for visitors.

n. a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk

123. We must _____ to this matter.

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

124. She _____ her husband for many years.

v. to live longer than another person

125. A _____ has a hump on its back.

n. a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions

126. The _____ pain in his ankle made it difficult to walk.

adj. extremely painful, intense, or distressing; causing great physical or emotional suffering

127. The new software comes with many _____ features that enhance productivity.

adj. referring to something unconventional, innovative, or creative, not adhering to traditional or mainstream approaches or ideas; of or relating to a product, solution, or way of thinking that is original or unique

128. I _____ my anger and kept quiet.

v. to make food, drink, pills, etc., pass down your throat into your stomach; (noun) small long-winged songbird noted for swift, graceful flight and the regularity of its migrations

ANSWERS: 121. pet, 122. wheelchairs, 123. attend, 124. outlived, 125. camel, 126. excruciating, 127. out-of-the-box, 128. swallowed

129. The government voted to _____ the outdated law.

v. to do away with completely; to put an end to

130. I don't want to _____ for second best.

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

131. He evaluated his chances for _____ rather pessimistically.

n. the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger

132. Her _____ manner relaxed everyone there.

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

133. This machine is too difficult to _____ for me.

v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something

134. I've included the two designs for a _____.

n. the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things

135. I underwent aversion _____ for my addiction to alcohol.

n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.

136. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.

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

137. The _____ car collection was worth millions of dollars.

adj. denoting something from the past, especially from the recent past

ANSWERS: 129. abolish, 130. settle, 131. survival, 132. gentle, 133. operate, 134. comparison, 135. therapy, 136. magic, 137. vintage

138. 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
139. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.
v. to make or become better
140. They used a special receiver to _____ police radio channels.
v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
141. 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
142. The _____ sculpture was placed in the park's center for all to see.
adj. not attached to a wall or other structure; not supported by anything
143. This remote _____ is rarely visited.
n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
144. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.
n. a chance that something may happen or be true
145. I found an old _____ of my grandparents from their wedding day.
n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

ANSWERS: 138. structure, 139. improve, 140. monitor, 141. landscape, 142. freestanding, 143. spot, 144. possibility, 145. photograph

146. Since independence, the area has been completely _____.

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

147. Customs have made their biggest ever _____ of cocaine.

n. the action of taking something from somebody by the use of legal authority; a sudden occurrence or recurrence of a disease

148. His wealth is a _____ to his success.

n. a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

149. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

150. We have to discuss the _____ reforms of our country.

adj. of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.

151. He felt no _____ as the dentist drilled his deadened tooth.

n. a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain

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

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

153. The researchers try to discover a common _____ in all types of successful organizations.

n. one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger

154. This meal wasn't as _____ as we had imagined.

adj. having a strong and pleasant flavor when it is eaten

ANSWERS: 146. ignored, 147. seizure, 148. testament, 149. ultimate, 150. institutional, 151. discomfort, 152. critics, 153. component, 154. tasty

155. I received a beautiful piece of _____ from my partner for our anniversary.
- n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
156. 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
157. Several American technology companies have achieved _____ success in terms of customer numbers.
- adj.* without parallel, equal in size, amount, quality, etc.; better or worse than any other
158. She accidentally _____ into him in the crowded room.
- v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident
159. Little children tend to have _____ friends.
- adj.* existing only in someone's mind
160. The spaceship began to burn up as it approached the Earth's _____.
- n.* the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
161. She had the _____ that work was fun.
- n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something

ANSWERS: 155. jewelry, 156. develop, 157. unparalleled, 158. bumped, 159. imaginary, 160. atmosphere, 161. attitude

162. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.

adv. completely

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

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

164. The timer _____ reminding me that the cake was ready to come out of the oven.

v. to make a short, high-pitched sound, typically as a signal or warning

165. The fairy's spell _____ the prince, making him fall asleep for 100 years.

v. to cast a spell on; to fascinate or charm someone

166. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.

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

167. When I was a child, my mother often cast _____ spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers

168. The office installed new _____ lighting to save energy.

adj. emitting or reflecting vibrant and vivid light, especially under ultraviolet light; describing a type of lamp or bulb that produces such light

169. Mozart was an _____ prodigy.

n. a baby or very young child

ANSWERS: 162. entirely, 163. pretensions, 164. beeped, 165. enchanted, 166. locate, 167. magical, 168. fluorescent, 169. infant

170. The thunder _____ in the distance.

v. to make a low, heavy continuous sound

171. He couldn't help but _____ as he remembered the good times.

v. to smile broadly

172. Daily exercise and adequate sleep are necessary to prevent the progression of _____.

n. a decrease in size of a muscle, organ, etc., caused by disease or disuse

173. It's important to _____ other people's opinions and not dismiss them without consideration.

v. to make something worthy of respect or honor; to elevate or give importance to something that may otherwise be considered insignificant

174. I am studying _____ in medical school because I love working with children.

n. the branch of medicine that deals with the care and treatment of children

175. The _____ between good and evil is common in literature and philosophy.

n. a division or contrast between two things that are or are represented as being opposed or entirely different; a sharp contrast between two opposing and mutually exclusive categories or concepts

176. The unemployment rate in the first _____ was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

177. He cast _____ glances behind her.

adj. worried and nervous

ANSWERS: 170. rumbled, 171. grin, 172. atrophy, 173. dignify, 174. pediatrics, 175. dichotomy, 176. quarter, 177. anxious

ANSWERS: