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Session 1: Word List

correspondent

n. a person who writes news reports for publication or broadcast

synonym : reporter, journalist, writer

(1) a foreign **correspondent**, (2) **correspondent** bank

The special **correspondent** reported live from the front line of the conflict.

crack

v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

synonym : snap, burst, break

(1) **crack** an eggshell, (2) a **crack** in a board

He that would eat the kernel must **crack** the nut.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

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

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

midpoint

n. the exact middle point or position between two things or places; a point that is equidistant from two other points

synonym : center point, halfway point

(1) **midpoint** formula, (2) **midpoint** theorem

The **midpoint** between New York City and Los Angeles is located in Kansas.

coverage

n. the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides

synonym: reportage, scope, range

(1) full- **coverage** insurance, (2) contractual **coverage**

The scandal received widespread media **coverage**.

agenda

n. a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered

synonym: program, schedule, list

(1) **agenda** setting, (2) ambitious **agenda**

The **agenda** for the meeting includes discussions on the budget and new project proposals.

scarce

adj. not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain

synonym: rare, limited, sparse

(1) **scarce** resources, (2) capital- **scarce** country

Fresh water is becoming increasingly **scarce** in many parts of the world.

oversea

adj. situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries

synonym: foreign, abroad, international

(1) **oversea** shipments, (2) for **oversea** use

The company enhanced **oversea** operations to tap into new markets.

blank

adj. without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information

synonym: empty, void, barren

(1) **blank** expression, (2) **blank** paper

The computer screen displayed nothing but a **blank** white screen

conflict

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

synonym: clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

zone

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

synonym: area, region, territory

(1) time **zone**, (2) **zone** defense

He was reluctant to leave his comfort **zone** and try something new.

climate

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

synonym: atmosphere, weather, environment

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

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

crisis

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

synonym: concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management

The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

sink

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

synonym : descend, drop, plummet

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

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

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.

practical

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

synonym : applicable, functional, realistic

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

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

implication

n. something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something

synonym : suggestion, association, conclusion

(1) the **implication** in a crime, (2) the **implication** of a word

His poem has a very significant **implication**.

fundamental

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

synonym : basic, essential, entire

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

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

invisible

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

synonym : hidden, imperceptible, unseen

(1) an **invisible** asset, (2) **invisible** stars

The phenomenon is **invisible** at optical wavelengths.

takeover

n. an act of taking control of something, especially the buying out of one company by another; an act of taking control of a country or an area by force

synonym : seizure, confiscation, expropriation

(1) a **takeover** of a company, (2) consolidation **takeover**

The **takeover** deal was worth a few tens of billions of dollars.

violent

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

synonym : aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

observation

n. the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone

synonym : watching, notice, reflection

(1) class **observation** day, (2) **observation** instrument

In the hospital, she will remain under constant **observation**.

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.

intimate

adj. having a very close friendship, personal

synonym : close, tight, friendly

(1) my **intimate** affairs, (2) **intimate** relationship

He has an **intimate** knowledge of American history.

stability

n. the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast

synonym : resilience, solidity, steadiness

(1) **stability** pact, (2) fiscal **stability** pact

The policy should increase the country's monetary **stability**.

policymaker

n. a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc.

synonym : lawmaker, legislator

(1) education **policymaker**, (2) regional **policymaker**

Policymakers struggle to develop various laws and regulations to address international trade conflicts.

consistent

adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

synonym : coherent, constant, compatible

(1) do on a **consistent** basis, (2) get **consistent** results

You are not **consistent** in your behavior.

convene

v. to come or bring together a group of people for a meeting or activity

synonym : assemble, gather, summon

(1) **convene** a press conference, (2) **convene** the council

The parliament will **convene** at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

entrepreneur

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

synonym : founder, executive

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

Entrepreneurs willingly accept business risks to achieve success.

start-up

n. a newly established company or business

(1) **start-up** business, (2) early-stage **start-up**

Our company's services are targeted at **start-up** executives.

trench

n. a long, deep ditch made in the ground, usually parallel to a plate boundary and marking a subduction zone; a long ditch built in the ground for carrying away water

synonym : aqueduct, ditch, channel

(1) deep-sea **trench**, (2) **trench** excavator

A **trench** was being dug alongside the road by workers.

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.

arguably

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

synonym: probably, possibly

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

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

idealist

n. a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

synonym: dreamer, idealizer, visionary

(1) **idealist** at heart, (2) an **idealist** perspective

As a dedicated **idealist**, she always fought for what was right, no matter the cost.

optimist

n. a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future

synonym: positive thinker, dreamer, idealist

(1) **optimist** by nature, (2) excessive **optimist**

She is a confident **optimist** who always looks on the bright side.

domain

n. a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise

synonym: territory, realm, sphere

(1) **domain** of use, (2) a dependent **domain**

The company's **domain** in the market was expanding to new territories.

layoff

n. the temporary or permanent dismissal of employees from a company or organization due to a lack of work or financial difficulties; involuntary termination of employment

synonym : dismissal, redundancy, termination

(1) temporary **layoff**, (2) mass **layoff**

The workers protested against the unfairness of the **layoff**, claiming they should have been consulted first.

endangered

adj. at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats

synonym : at risk, threatened, vulnerable

(1) **endangered** species, (2) **endangered** ecosystem

The government has implemented policies to protect the habitat of **endangered** animals.

journalist

n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

synonym : reporter, newsperson, press

(1) a China-based **journalist**, (2) **journalist** on a magazine
Foreign TV crews and **journalists** can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

collaborate

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

synonym : cooperate, unite, get together

(1) **collaborate** with the police, (2) **collaborate** on a press release

She agreed to **collaborate** with him in creating new artwork.

fetch

v. to go and bring back something or someone; to retrieve or obtain something

synonym : retrieve, bring, get

(1) **fetch** the mail, (2) **fetch** a ball

Could you help me **fetch** the ball from the other side of the field?

suburb

n. an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods

synonym : outskirts, district, quarter

(1) **suburb** development, (2) **suburb** life

He grew up in the **suburbs** but always dreamed of living in the city.

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.

chief

adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

synonym : essential, primary, leading

(1) **chief** accountant, (2) **chief** events of the year

Mining is a **chief** source of income for the country.

curb

v. to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk

synonym : restrain, limit, control

(1) **curb** appetite, (2) **curb** anxiety

He tried to **curb** his anger during the argument with his friend.

Ebola

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

synonym : viral hemorrhagic fever, EVD

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

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

quarantine

n. a state of isolation imposed on people or animals to prevent the spread of disease

synonym: isolation, confinement, restriction

(1) out of **quarantine**, (2) mandatory **quarantine**

Due to the outbreak, the government imposed a two-week **quarantine** for all travelers.

district

n. a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features

synonym: territory, dominion, zone

(1) school **districts**, (2) urban **districts**

Since 2001, the **district** has provided training programs for automotive technicians.

refugee

n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

synonym: emigrant, evacuee, exile

(1) global **refugee** crisis, (2) the **refugee** camp

The community warmly welcomed the **refugees**.

threat

n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

synonym: menace, danger, hazard

(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**

The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

intimidation

n. the act of instilling fear or anxiety in someone, often to make them feel inferior or submissive; the use of threats or coercion to deter someone from taking a certain course of action

synonym: frightening, bullying, harassment

(1) act of **intimidation**, (2) fear of **intimidation**

Using **intimidation** tactics in the workplace is unacceptable and should not be tolerated.

mentor

n. a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
synonym: adviser, coach, tutor

(1) **mentor** for life, (2) fashion **mentor**

As a **mentor**, he helped me realize my career.

oath

n. a solemn promise or affirmation, often made in a formal public setting, to do something or adhere to certain principles or beliefs; a formal declaration of one's commitment to a particular course of action, organization, or duty

synonym: pledge, vow, promise

(1) **oath** of allegiance, (2) promise an **oath**

He took an **oath** to uphold the law as a police officer.

pledge

v. to make a formal promise to give or do something
synonym: promise, assure, guarantee

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

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

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

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.

journalism

n. the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast

synonym : reporting, news media, writing

(1) **journalism** ethics, (2) tabloid **journalism**

She plans to study **journalism** in college and become a reporter.

launch

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

synonym : start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

flood

n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

synonym : deluge, downpour, overflow

(1) **flood** advisory, (2) a **flood** of questions

These heavy rains caused flash **floods** on several islands.

hysterical

adj. marked by or in a state of excessive or uncontrollable emotion

synonym : agitated, frantic, crazy

(1) **hysterical** laughter, (2) get **hysterical** easily

The frustration that had accumulated for a long time made her **hysterical**.

inaccurate

adj. not completely correct or exact; not conforming to the truth or a standard

synonym : incorrect, erroneous, imprecise

(1) **inaccurate** measurement, (2) **inaccurate** figures

The information in the report was found to be **inaccurate**, so it had to be corrected before it was published.

spark

v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

synonym : start, inspire, provoke

(1) **spark** his interest, (2) **spark** a chain reaction

The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate **sparked** turmoil in the stock market.

panic

n. a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action

synonym : confusion, hysteria, consternation

(1) a **panic** reaction, (2) **panic** buying

The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused **panic** in the financial markets.

resolve

v. to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty

synonym : decide, determine, fix

(1) **resolve** a dispute, (2) **resolve** the computer error

This company **resolves** its battery problem completely.

decision

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

synonym : choice, determination, judgment

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

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

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

synonym : choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

resist

v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

synonym : fight, defy, revolt

(1) **resist** temptation, (2) **resist** being kissed

I chose to **resist** cancer by trying every possible treatment.

temptation

n. the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire

synonym: allure, attraction, enticement

(1) withstand **temptation**, (2) many **temptations**

Researchers often succumb to the **temptation** of accolades and commit research misconduct.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

synonym: person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

executive

n. a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

synonym: administrator, manager, director

(1) **executive** editor at the publishing house, (2) **executive** vice president

As the **executive** director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.

virus

n. a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants

synonym: bacterium, germ, ailment

(1) spread of the **virus**, (2) a strain of **virus**

An infected person in the hospital will likely pass the **virus** to others.

consequence

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

synonym: result, impact, outcome

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

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

embrace

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

synonym: grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**

The woods **embrace** the house.

simplistic

adj. oversimplified or lacking in complexity or depth; characterized by an attempt to explain something complex or multifaceted with overly vague or simple terms

synonym: basic, uncomplicated, elementary

(1) **simplistic** approach, (2) **simplistic** design

The politician's solution to the problem was too **simplistic** to solve the underlying issue.

accurate

adj. correct and exact in all details

synonym: exact, precise, proper

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

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

elbow

n. the joint between the upper arm and the lower arm; the bend in a pipe or tube formed at this joint

synonym: joint, bend, cubitus

(1) **elbow** bone, (2) **elbow-length** sleeves

She bruised her **elbow** after falling off her bike.

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.

steep

adj. having a sharp inclination or slope

synonym: sheer, precipitous, abrupt

(1) a **steep** staircase, (2) **steep** discount

The **steep** cliff made it difficult to climb.

cliff

n. a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river

synonym: crag, escarpment, precipice

(1) a bold **cliff**, (2) **cliff** diving

He stood at the edge of the **cliff** and looked out to sea.

translate

v. to convert or change words into another language

synonym: convert, transcribe, render

(1) **translate** a document into English, (2) **translate** the emotion to a movement

Translate the text from Italian into English.

awaken

v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping

synonym: rouse, arouse, revive

(1) **awaken** at daybreak, (2) **awaken** a child

The friend's death **awakens** them.

reimagine

v. to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way

synonym: re-conceptualize, re-envision, re-create

(1) **reimagine** the future, (2) **reimagine** the possibilities

The company is trying to **reimagine** its business model to stay competitive.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 3. sta_____cs for cancer | <i>n.</i> the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data |
| 4. a private ind_____al | <i>n.</i> a single person or thing, as distinct from a group |
| 5. do___n of use | <i>n.</i> a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise |
| 6. re_____ne the possibilities | <i>v.</i> to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way |
| 7. promise an o__h | <i>n.</i> a solemn promise or affirmation, often made in a formal public setting, to do something or adhere to certain principles or beliefs; a formal declaration of one's commitment to a particular course of action, organization, or duty |
| 8. ac_____te measurements | <i>adj.</i> correct and exact in all details |
| 9. unintended con_____ces | <i>n.</i> the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual |

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44. s __k a lot of capital *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

ANSWERS: 36. mentor, 37. entrepreneur, 38. resist, 39. panic, 40. blank, 41. scarce, 42. curb, 43. wheelchair, 44. sink

45. fear of int_____ion *n.* the act of instilling fear or anxiety in someone, often to make them feel inferior or submissive; the use of threats or coercion to deter someone from taking a certain course of action
46. excessive op_____st *n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
47. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
48. contractual co_____ge *n.* the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides
49. mi_____nt theorem *n.* the exact middle point or position between two things or places; a point that is equidistant from two other points
50. op_____st by nature *n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
51. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
52. ch__f accountant *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
53. hys_____al laughter *adj.* marked by or in a state of excessive or uncontrollable emotion
54. 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

ANSWERS: 45. intimidation, 46. optimist, 47. industrious, 48. coverage, 49. midpoint, 50. optimist, 51. decide, 52. chief, 53. hysterical, 54. wheelchair

55. provide ac____te information *adj.* correct and exact in all details
56. early-stage st____up *n.* a newly established company or business
57. re____t being kissed *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
58. a cold cl____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
59. el__w-length sleeves *n.* the joint between the upper arm and the lower arm; the bend in a pipe or tube formed at this joint
60. mandatory qua____ne *n.* a state of isolation imposed on people or animals to prevent the spread of disease
61. ind____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
62. ch__f events of the year *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
63. consolidation ta____er *n.* an act of taking control of something, especially the buying out of one company by another; an act of taking control of a country or an area by force
64. the co____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
65. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
66. full-co____ge insurance *n.* the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides

ANSWERS: 55. accurate, 56. start-up, 57. resist, 58. climate, 59. elbow, 60. quarantine, 61. individual, 62. chief, 63. takeover, 64. conflict, 65. zone, 66. coverage

67. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
68. a warm em_____e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
69. mi_____nt formula *n.* the exact middle point or position between two things or places; a point that is equidistant from two other points
70. cl__f diving *n.* a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
71. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
72. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
73. 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
74. a successful ent_____eur *n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
75. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
76. me____r for life *n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school

ANSWERS: 67. responsible, 68. embrace, 69. midpoint, 70. cliff, 71. complexity, 72. decision, 73. recognize, 74. entrepreneur, 75. zone, 76. mentor

77. 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
78. sc___e resources *adj.* not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain
79. em_____e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of claspng another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
80. class obs_____on day *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
81. financial cr___s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
82. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
83. the imp_____on in a crime *n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
84. end_____ed ecosystem *adj.* at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats
85. id_____st at heart *n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

ANSWERS: 77. pretension, 78. scarce, 79. embrace, 80. observation, 81. crisis, 82. climate, 83. implication, 84. endangered, 85. idealist

86. she is ar____ly the best singer *adv.* used when expressing an opinion or idea that you believe can be proven true
87. urban di____cts *n.* a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
88. co____e the council *v.* to come or bring together a group of people for a meeting or activity
89. ina____te figures *adj.* not completely correct or exact; not conforming to the truth or a standard
90. s__k a buzzer-beater *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
91. co____e a press conference *v.* to come or bring together a group of people for a meeting or activity
92. a pa__c reaction *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
93. victim of a vi____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
94. cor____ent bank *n.* a person who writes news reports for publication or broadcast
95. cr__k an eggshell *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
96. a cr__k in a board *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

ANSWERS: 86. arguably, 87. district, 88. convene, 89. inaccurate, 90. sink, 91. convene, 92. panic, 93. violent, 94. correspondent, 95. crack, 96. crack

97. a foreign cor_____ent *n.* a person who writes news reports for publication or broadcast
98. school di_____cts *n.* a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
99. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
100. withstand tem_____on *n.* the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire
101. ov_____a shipments *adj.* situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries
102. a China-based jou_____st *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
103. ar_____ly the greatest discovery *adv.* used when expressing an opinion or idea that you believe can be proven true
104. a strain of vi____s *n.* a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants
105. get con_____nt results *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
106. la____h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

ANSWERS: 97. correspondent, 98. district, 99. industrious, 100. temptation, 101. oversea, 102. journalist, 103. arguably, 104. virus, 105. consistent, 106. launch

107. a dependent do___n	<i>n.</i> a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
108. pl___e military assistance	<i>v.</i> to make a formal promise to give or do something
109. la___h a spaceship into orbit	<i>v.</i> to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
110. el___w bone	<i>n.</i> the joint between the upper arm and the lower arm; the bend in a pipe or tube formed at this joint
111. education pol____er	<i>n.</i> a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc.
112. fun____al rights	<i>adj.</i> forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
113. col____te with the police	<i>v.</i> to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
114. re____ze talent	<i>v.</i> to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
115. sp__k his interest	<i>v.</i> to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
116. su___b development	<i>n.</i> an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods

ANSWERS: 107. domain, 108. pledge, 109. launch, 110. elbow, 111. policymaker, 112. fundamental, 113. collaborate, 114. recognize, 115. spark, 116. suburb

117. fe__h the mail *v.* to go and bring back something or someone; to retrieve or obtain something
118. regional pol_____er *n.* a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc.
119. fiscal st_____ty pact *n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
120. c__b anxiety *v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk
121. re_____e the computer error *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
122. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
123. spe_____ze in market research *v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
124. st__p discount *adj.* having a sharp inclination or slope
125. pr_____al English *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
126. cr___s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
127. Eb__a epidemic *n.* a highly contagious and often fatal viral disease that causes severe fever and internal bleeding, primarily occurring in remote areas of Central and West Africa

ANSWERS: 117. fetch, 118. policymaker, 119. stability, 120. curb, 121. resolve, 122. decide, 123. specialize, 124. steep, 125. practical, 126. crisis, 127. Ebola

128. obs_____on instrument *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
129. spread of the vi__s *n.* a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants
130. do on a con_____nt basis *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
131. global re_____e crisis *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
132. re_____e a dispute *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
133. out of qua_____ne *n.* a state of isolation imposed on people or animals to prevent the spread of disease
134. aw____n a child *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
135. bl__k expression *adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
136. my in_____te affairs *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
137. sp__k a chain reaction *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
138. in_____le stars *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see

ANSWERS: 128. observation, 129. virus, 130. consistent, 131. refugee, 132. resolve, 133. quarantine, 134. awaken, 135. blank, 136. intimate, 137. spark, 138. invisible

139. tr_____te the emotion to a movement
v. to convert or change words into another language
140. for ov_____a use
adj. situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries
141. pl____e my fidelity
v. to make a formal promise to give or do something
142. environmental th____t
n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
143. sim_____ic approach
adj. oversimplified or lacking in complexity or depth; characterized by an attempt to explain something complex or multifaceted with overly vague or simple terms
144. fe__h a ball
v. to go and bring back something or someone; to retrieve or obtain something
145. su____b life
n. an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
146. spe_____ze in child care
v. to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
147. temporary la____f
n. the temporary or permanent dismissal of employees from a company or organization due to a lack of work or financial difficulties; involuntary termination of employment

ANSWERS: 139. translate, 140. oversea, 141. pledge, 142. threat, 143. simplistic, 144. fetch, 145. suburb, 146. specialize, 147. layoff

148. act of int_____ion *n.* the act of instilling fear or anxiety in someone, often to make them feel inferior or submissive; the use of threats or coercion to deter someone from taking a certain course of action
149. mass la___f *n.* the temporary or permanent dismissal of employees from a company or organization due to a lack of work or financial difficulties; involuntary termination of employment
150. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
151. get hys_____al easily *adj.* marked by or in a state of excessive or uncontrollable emotion
152. ag___a setting *n.* a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
153. a fl__d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
154. col_____te on a press release *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
155. a bold cl__f *n.* a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
156. gain pr_____al experience *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
157. deep-sea tr___h *n.* a long, deep ditch made in the ground, usually parallel to a plate boundary and marking a subduction zone; a long ditch built in the ground for carrying away water

ANSWERS: 148. intimidation, 149. layoff, 150. consequence, 151. hysterical, 152. agenda, 153. flood, 154. collaborate, 155. cliff, 156. practical, 157. trench

158. re_____ne the future *v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
159. st_____ty pact *n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
160. a st__p staircase *adj.* having a sharp inclination or slope
161. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
162. jou_____sm ethics *n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast
163. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
164. o__h of allegiance *n.* a solemn promise or affirmation, often made in a formal public setting, to do something or adhere to certain principles or beliefs; a formal declaration of one's commitment to a particular course of action, organization, or duty

ANSWERS: 158. reimagine, 159. stability, 160. steep, 161. statistics, 162. journalism, 163. responsible, 164. oath

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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
2. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.
n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
3. The official transcript contains _____ academic records.
adj. correct and exact in all details
4. The frustration that had accumulated for a long time made her _____.
adj. marked by or in a state of excessive or uncontrollable emotion
5. Since 2001, the _____ has provided training programs for automotive technicians.
n. a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
6. As a dedicated _____ she always fought for what was right, no matter the cost.
n. a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity
7. He is _____ regarded as the finest actor of his generation.
adv. used when expressing an opinion or idea that you believe can be proven true

ANSWERS: 1. pretensions, 2. conflicts, 3. accurate, 4. hysterical, 5. district, 6. idealist, 7. arguably

8. The government has implemented policies to protect the habitat of _____ animals.
adj. at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats
9. The parliament will _____ at 1 p.m. tomorrow.
v. to come or bring together a group of people for a meeting or activity
10. His poem has a very significant _____.
n. something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
11. The _____ cliff made it difficult to climb.
adj. having a sharp inclination or slope
12. 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
13. I chose to _____ cancer by trying every possible treatment.
v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
14. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
15. The _____ for the meeting includes discussions on the budget and new project proposals.
n. a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
16. Mining is a _____ source of income for the country.
adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

ANSWERS: 8. endangered, 9. convene, 10. implication, 11. steep, 12. recognize, 13. resist, 14. Climate, 15. agenda, 16. chief

17. The friend's death _____ them.
v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
18. These heavy rains caused flash _____ on several islands.
n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
19. The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused _____ in the financial markets.
n. a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
20. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.
adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
21. The company enhanced _____ operations to tap into new markets.
adj. situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries
22. The workers protested against the unfairness of the _____ claiming they should have been consulted first.
n. the temporary or permanent dismissal of employees from a company or organization due to a lack of work or financial difficulties; involuntary termination of employment
23. Could you help me _____ the ball from the other side of the field?
v. to go and bring back something or someone; to retrieve or obtain something
24. A _____ was being dug alongside the road by workers.
n. a long, deep ditch made in the ground, usually parallel to a plate boundary and marking a subduction zone; a long ditch built in the ground for carrying away water

ANSWERS: 17. awakens, 18. floods, 19. panic, 20. violent, 21. oversea, 22. layoff, 23. fetch, 24. trench

25. As a _____ he helped me realize my career.
- n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
26. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.
- v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
27. The community warmly welcomed the _____.
- n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
28. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
- n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
29. The special _____ reported live from the front line of the conflict.
- n.* a person who writes news reports for publication or broadcast
30. He grew up in the _____ but always dreamed of living in the city.
- n.* an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
31. She plans to study _____ in college and become a reporter.
- n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast
32. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
- n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

ANSWERS: 25. mentor, 26. launch, 27. refugees, 28. consequences, 29. correspondent, 30. suburbs, 31. journalism, 32. threat

33. Her concept is highly _____ and helpful.

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

34. The scandal received widespread media _____.

n. the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides

35. 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

36. The _____ between New York City and Los Angeles is located in Kansas.

n. the exact middle point or position between two things or places; a point that is equidistant from two other points

37. He was reluctant to leave his comfort _____ and try something new.

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

38. The politician's solution to the problem was too _____ to solve the underlying issue.

adj. oversimplified or lacking in complexity or depth; characterized by an attempt to explain something complex or multifaceted with overly vague or simple terms

39. The company's _____ in the market was expanding to new territories.

n. a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise

40. He tried to _____ his anger during the argument with his friend.

v. to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk

ANSWERS: 33. practical, 34. coverage, 35. wheelchairs, 36. midpoint, 37. zone, 38. simplistic, 39. domain, 40. curb

41. He has an _____ knowledge of American history.

adj. having a very close friendship, personal

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

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

43. The _____ deal was worth a few tens of billions of dollars.

n. an act of taking control of something, especially the buying out of one company by another; an act of taking control of a country or an area by force

44. The information in the report was found to be _____ so it had to be corrected before it was published.

adj. not completely correct or exact; not conforming to the truth or a standard

45. He that would eat the kernel must _____ the nut.

v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

46. The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate _____ turmoil in the stock market.

v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

47. As the _____ director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.

n. a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

48. An infected person in the hospital will likely pass the _____ to others.

n. a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants

ANSWERS: 41. intimate, 42. collaborate, 43. takeover, 44. inaccurate, 45. crack, 46. sparked, 47. executive, 48. virus

49. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
50. This company _____ its battery problem completely.
- v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
51. Using _____ tactics in the workplace is unacceptable and should not be tolerated.
- n.* the act of instilling fear or anxiety in someone, often to make them feel inferior or submissive; the use of threats or coercion to deter someone from taking a certain course of action
52. At this ceremony, We will _____ allegiance to the country's flag.
- v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
53. She is a confident _____ who always looks on the bright side.
- n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
54. Our company's services are targeted at _____ executives.
- n.* a newly established company or business
55. Researchers often succumb to the _____ of accolades and commit research misconduct.
- n.* the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire
56. The restaurant has chefs who _____ in beef.
- v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business

ANSWERS: 49. crisis, 50. resolves, 51. intimidation, 52. pledge, 53. optimist, 54. start-up, 55. temptation, 56. specialize

57. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
58. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
59. He took an _____ to uphold the law as a police officer.
n. a solemn promise or affirmation, often made in a formal public setting, to do something or adhere to certain principles or beliefs; a formal declaration of one's commitment to a particular course of action, organization, or duty
60. _____ willingly accept business risks to achieve success.
n. an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
61. He stood at the edge of the _____ and looked out to sea.
n. a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
62. Fresh water is becoming increasingly _____ in many parts of the world.
adj. not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain
63. The abandoned ship slowly began to _____ into the murky waters of the harbor.
v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
64. You are not _____ in your behavior.
adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

ANSWERS: 57. industrious, 58. statistics, 59. oath, 60. Entrepreneurs, 61. cliff, 62. scarce, 63. sink, 64. consistent

65. 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
66. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
67. _____ struggle to develop various laws and regulations to address international trade conflicts.
n. a person in charge of or involved in developing action plans for a political party, business, etc.
68. The phenomenon is _____ at optical wavelengths.
adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see
69. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
70. She bruised her _____ after falling off her bike.
n. the joint between the upper arm and the lower arm; the bend in a pipe or tube formed at this joint
71. Due to the outbreak, the government imposed a two-week _____ for all travelers.
n. a state of isolation imposed on people or animals to prevent the spread of disease
72. The woods _____ the house.
v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

ANSWERS: 65. complexity, 66. individual, 67. Policymakers, 68. invisible, 69. decision, 70. elbow, 71. quarantine, 72. embrace

73. The _____ outbreak in West Africa caused widespread panic and fear.
- n.* a highly contagious and often fatal viral disease that causes severe fever and internal bleeding, primarily occurring in remote areas of Central and West Africa
74. Foreign TV crews and _____ can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.
- n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
75. The company is trying to _____ its business model to stay competitive.
- v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
76. _____ the text from Italian into English.
- v.* to convert or change words into another language
77. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
- v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
78. The policy should increase the country's monetary _____.
- n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
79. The computer screen displayed nothing but a _____ white screen
- adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
80. In the hospital, she will remain under constant _____.
- n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone

ANSWERS: 73. Ebola, 74. journalists, 75. reimagine, 76. Translate, 77. decide, 78. stability, 79. blank, 80. observation

81. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.

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

82. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

ANSWERS: 81. fundamental, 82. responsible