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Session 1: Word List

grade

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

synonym: score, rate, degree

(1) boys in the twelfth **grade**, (2) students at all **grade** levels
Departments may set requirements for a higher **grade** point average.

singe

v. to burn something slightly or superficially, usually by mistake

synonym: sear, char, burn

(1) **singe** off the hair over the flames, (2) **singe** the edges of a fabric

I didn't realize the iron was still hot and **singed** my dress.

instruct

v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

synonym: train, coach, guide

(1) **instruct** a student, (2) **instruct** a computer

The facility manager **instructed** the security guards to be on high alert.

semester

n. one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term

(1) end of the **semester**, (2) during the **semester** breaks

We must complete all of these courses in the following **semester**.

ironic

adj. using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect

synonym : sarcastic, wry, sardonic

(1) **ironic** result, (2) an **ironic** turn of events

It was **ironic** that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.

torture

n. the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

synonym : torment, abuse, mistreatment

(1) a **torture** chamber, (2) an instrument of **torture**

The use of **torture** is strictly prohibited under international law.

proclivity

n. a natural tendency or inclination towards a particular behavior, activity, or worldview; a predisposition or liking for something

synonym : inclination, tendency, propensity

(1) **proclivity** for chocolate, (2) **proclivity** towards laziness

Her **proclivity** for procrastination meant she always left her assignments until the last minute.

academic

adj. associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills

synonym : educational, scholarly, theoretical

(1) **academic** probation, (2) an **academic** discussion

An excellent historian must possess an **academic** mentality.

navigate

v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

synonym : guide, helm, voyage

(1) **navigate** the Pacific, (2) **navigate** through a document

Our knowledge helps **navigate** our clients successfully.

environment

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

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

mold

n. a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

synonym: cavity, cast, mildew

(1) a casting **mold**, (2) **mold** allergy

Mushrooms and **mold** are fungi.

reshape

v. to change the form or structure of something

synonym: alter, adjust, modify

(1) **reshape** education policy, (2) **reshape** my thoughts

The advent of the Internet completely **reshaped** the manufacturing industry.

advantage

n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

synonym: benefit, edge, asset

(1) score an **advantage**, (2) take **advantage** of his weak points

One of the main **advantages** of the new product is its increased efficiency.

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym: resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

cultivate

v. to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
synonym : boost, foster, nurture

(1) **cultivate** a field, (2) **cultivate** relationships

University is a great place to **cultivate** our minds and expertise.

conducive

adj. tending to make something likely or possible
synonym : beneficial, advantageous, helpful

(1) **conducive** question, (2) **conducive** to growth

The quiet and peaceful environment was **conducive** to concentration and productivity.

innovative

adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
synonym : creative, ingenious, inventive

(1) use of **innovative** technology, (2) stylistically **innovative** works

The Prime Minister stressed the need to create **innovative** industries.

evolve

v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
synonym : develop, mature, grow

(1) **evolve**, (2) **evolve** over the past decade

Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

thrive

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
synonym : bloom, flourish, prosper

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

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

arrow

n. a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
synonym : shaft, dart, projectile

(1) **arrow** pointing, (2) **arrow** diagram

The archer aimed his **arrow** carefully at the target.

innovation

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

synonym: invention, initiation, creation

(1) **innovation** leader, (2) cutting-edge **innovation**

The vegetarian burger was an **innovation** that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

frequent

adj. happening constantly

synonym: periodic, recurring, routine

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

His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

breakthrough

n. a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem

synonym: advance, progress, innovation

(1) **breakthrough** in the negotiations, (2) **breakthrough** discovery

A technique called deep learning has led to **breakthroughs** in AI.

random

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

synonym: incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

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

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

occasionally

adv. now and then; sometimes but not often

synonym: periodically, sometimes, from time to time

(1) **occasionally** dine with friends, (2) **occasionally** change the routine

She still **occasionally** writes a short romance novel.

intentionally

adv. in a planned or intended way

synonym: knowingly, calculatedly, deliberately

(1) she hit him **intentionally**, (2) She **intentionally** spread misleading information.

She would never **intentionally** hurt anyone.

Broadway

n. a famous street in New York City, specifically in the borough of Manhattan, renowned for its theaters and musical productions; the commercial theater district and the theater industry in general

(1) **Broadway** show, (2) **Broadway** theater

We watched an incredible **Broadway** musical last night.

onstage

adv. onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience

(1) appeared **onstage**, (2) walk **onstage**

He performed his magic trick **onstage**, leaving the audience in awe.

sociology

n. the scientific study of human social behavior, including the way in which people interact with one another, the organizations and institutions they create, and the societies they form

synonym: anthropology, demography, folklore

(1) **sociology** professor, (2) animal **sociology**

She studied **sociology** in college, learning about different societies and how they function.

anthropology

n. the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species

(1) social **anthropology**, (2) **anthropology** of religion

The areas of **anthropology** and psychology are significantly related to one another.

percussion

n. the section of an orchestra or band that plays instruments such as drums, cymbals, and tambourines;

the action of striking something to produce a sound

synonym : beating, rhythm, strike

(1) **percussion** instrument, (2) chest **percussion**

The **percussion** section is an essential part of the band's sound.

comedy

n. a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

synonym : humor, farce, satire

(1) **comedy** series, (2) romantic **comedy**

I love going to see live **comedy** shows with my friends.

bliss

n. extreme happiness or joy

synonym : delight, euphoria, happiness

(1) ignorance is **bliss**, (2) ultimate **bliss**

The first two years of her marriage were sheer **bliss**.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

creative

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

synonym : imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

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.

identify

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

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

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

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

optimal

adj. the best; most likely to be successful or advantageous

synonym: optimum, desirable, favorable

(1) achieve **optimal** health, (2) **optimal** for intellectual growth

Wild animals need to go forward with the **optimal** action to survive.

intent

n. a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

synonym: purpose, aim, goal

(1) the **intent** of a question, (2) **intent** gaze

The designer's **intent** was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.

integrity

n. the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

synonym: honesty, honor, morality

(1) a person of **integrity**, (2) **integrity** of data

The company's reputation for honesty and **integrity** is highly valued among its customers.

authentic

adj. known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy

synonym : genuine, bona fide, original

(1) an **authentic** signature, (2) the sets were meticulously **authentic**

The stages of the play were meticulously **authentic**

interaction

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

synonym : dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,

(2) **interaction** among human beings

The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

communicate

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym : convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,

(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

grit

n. very small pieces of stone or sand; mental toughness and determination or perseverance in the face of challenges or obstacles

synonym : determination, fortitude, courage

(1) **grit** determination, (2) **grit** washer

She has a lot of **grit** and determination to succeed.

perseverance

n. steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success

synonym : persistence, tenacity, determination

(1) unwavering **perseverance**, (2) dogged **perseverance**

Despite facing numerous setbacks and obstacles, his **perseverance** and determination led him to success.

instill

v. to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually
synonym: implant, ingrain, inculcate

(1) **instill** confidence, (2) **instill** medication into my eye
The teacher attempted to **instill** the importance of hard work in her students.

mutual

adj. common to or shared by two or more parties
synonym: shared, common, joint

(1) share of a **mutual** fund, (2) **mutual** efforts
They cooperated for their **mutual** benefit.

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.

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.

perspective

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

synonym: viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle
His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

emotion

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

synonym: feeling, sentiment, passion

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

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

disagree

v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

synonym : discord, oppose, dissent

(1) **disagree** about a particular issue, (2) **disagree** with a plan

I **disagree** for reasons already stated above.

head-on

adj. occurring or done directly, without any intermediaries or avoidance; confronting or facing something directly, without any evasion or compromise

synonym : head-to-head, direct, confrontational

(1) **head-on** argument, (2) **head-on** approach

A **head-on** collision on the highway led to a major traffic jam.

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.

commitment

n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

synonym : burden, obligation, promise

(1) a **commitment** to an alliance, (2) meet his

commitments

His business **commitments** took him to the United States.

spiral

n. a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around

synonym : coil, helix, twist

(1) **spiral** staircase, (2) **spiral** design

The leaves of the fern were arranged in a **spiral** pattern.

upward

adv. toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher

place

synonym : skyward, uphill

(1) look **upward**, (2) demonstrate an **upward** trend

The company adjusted the revenue **upward**.

curve

n. a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape

synonym : bend, arc, turn

(1) learning **curve**, (2) yield **curve**

The **curve** in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.

glue

n. a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials

synonym : adhesive, paste, gum

(1) **glue** stick, (2) epoxy **glue**

The carpenter applied **glue** to the cabinet joints before nailing them together.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym : idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

aspiration

n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

synonym : ambition, inhalation, intake

(1) no **aspiration** for fame, (2) **aspiration** into the lungs

He has an **aspiration** to become a doctor.

sew

v. to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

synonym : stitch, darn, tailor

(1) **sew** with thread, (2) **sew** a button

My mother taught me how to **sew**.

profound

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

synonym : deep, unsounded, far-reaching

(1) a **profound** book, (2) the **profound** depths of the sea
My mother's illness had a **profound** impact on us all.

gossip

n. conversation or discussion about other people's personal affairs, often of a trivial or idle nature involving sharing rumors, hearsay, or speculation about the lives of others

synonym : rumor, chitchat, tittle-tattle

(1) **gossip** magazine, (2) celebrity **gossip**

I heard some juicy **gossip** about our co-worker at the water cooler.

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym : procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym : critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life

Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

illustrate

v. to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation

synonym : demonstrate, explain, exemplify

(1) **illustrate** a key point, (2) **illustrate** a story

The company's financial records **illustrate** how successful it has been.

consumption

n. the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials

synonym: usage, uptake, utilization

(1) average fuel **consumption**, (2) the **consumption** of food

In our country, water **consumption** usually decreases during the winter.

loop

n. a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself

synonym: circle, curl, spiral

(1) exit from a **loop**, (2) positive feedback **loop**

Many people in this city use the **loop** railway for transportation.

endeavor

v. to make an earnest attempt or effort; to strive or work hard towards a goal or objective

synonym: attempt, strive, undertake

(1) **endeavor** to succeed, (2) **endeavor** as much as possible

We will **endeavor** to find a solution to the problem as quickly as possible.

definitive

adj. serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed

synonym: conclusive, final, decisive

(1) **definitive** answer, (2) a **definitive** edition

The study provided **definitive** proof of the effectiveness of the new drug.

oatmeal

n. a type of cereal made from oats that have been ground or steel-cut

synonym: porridge, grits, meal

(1) **oatmeal** cookies, (2) **oatmeal** breakfast

I love starting my day with a bowl of warm **oatmeal** and fresh

fruit.

wheat

n. a cereal plant that is the most important kind grown in temperate countries, the grain of which is ground to make flour for bread, pasta, pastry, etc

synonym : grain, cereal

(1) harvesting **wheat**, (2) **wheat** crop

The farmer grew **wheat** on his land.

clay

n. a natural, earthy material that is made up of very small particles of minerals and can be molded when wet and then fired to produce ceramics

synonym : ceramics, pottery, dirt

(1) **clay** animation, (2) soft **clay** ground

The sculptor carefully molded the **clay** into the desired shape.

tapioca

n. a starchy substance derived from the cassava plant, typically used in cooking and baking as a thickening agent or as the base for puddings or desserts

synonym : cassava, manioc

(1) **tapioca** balls, (2) **tapioca** pearls

I love the texture and taste of **tapioca** pudding.

slide

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

synonym : glide, drift, drop

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

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

tube

n. a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape

synonym : pipe, hose, duct

(1) a capillary **tube**, (2) a glass **tube**

The **tube** train was packed with commuters during rush hour.

coil v. to wind something in a spiral or helical shape; to create a coil or coil-like shape; to group or organize something closely together in a circular or spiral pattern

synonym: twist, wind, loop

(1) **coil** wire, (2) **coil** an arm

She carefully **coiled** the rope so that it wouldn't tangle.

costume n. a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation

synonym: attire, garb, outfit

(1) **costume** party, (2) **costume** change

She wore a beautiful **costume** for the play.

spray n. a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage

synonym: mist, aerosol, atomizer

(1) a **spray** of mist, (2) an insect **spray**

The artist used a **spray** paint can to create a graffiti mural on the wall.

solid *adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

synonym: stable, reliable, hard

(1) **solid** ally, (2) **solid** employment measures

The **solid-state** of water is called ice.

slippery *adj.* difficult to hold firmly or stand on because it is wet or smooth; not to be trusted

synonym: smooth, glistening, furtive

(1) a **slippery** customer, (2) **slippery** ice

How extraordinarily **slippery** a liar the camera is.

dramatic *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement

synonym: striking, theatrical, breathtaking

(1) make **dramatic** changes, (2) a **dramatic** rescue at sea

The statement had a **dramatic** impact on house prices.

ooze

v. to flow or seep out slowly, often in a thick, viscous manner; to exude or emit slowly and steadily

synonym: flow, seep, drip

(1) **ooze** from the speakers, (2) **ooze** with confidence

The wound on his leg continued to **ooze** blood even after he applied pressure.

upside

n. the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something

synonym: advantage, benefit, top

(1) have no **upside**, (2) market **upside**

Many people see the **upside** of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.

dip

v. to put something into a liquid for a short time and take it out again

synonym: dunk, dive, plunge

(1) **dip** a pen in ink, (2) **dip** a chip in the sauce

Please **dip** up a bucketful of water from the well.

slam

v. to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily

synonym: bang, crash, shut

(1) **slam** the door, (2) **slam** the book against a wall

She **slammed** the door shut, angry at the person on the other side.

canvas

n. the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

(1) blank **canvas**, (2) oil on **canvas**

Life is a vast **canvas**; you should put as much paint on it as possible.

pound

n. the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

(1) three-fourths of a **pound**, (2) thousands of **pounds**

The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred **pounds**.

hero

n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

synonym: champion, protagonist, savior

(1) local **hero**, (2) unsung **hero**

The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national **hero**.

reinvent

v. to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new

synonym: recreate, remake, revive

(1) **reinvent** local dishes, (2) **reinvent** our life

They have tried to **reinvent** their grocery stores.

hallway

n. an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open

synonym: foyer, corridor, entrance

(1) the head of a **hallway**, (2) wax a **hallway** floor

He dashed down a **hallway** to a bathroom.

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.

lifelong

adj. lasting for the whole of someone's life

synonym: enduring, eternal, permanent

(1) **lifelong** career, (2) **lifelong** commitment

He had a **lifelong** love of reading and spent hours daily with a book.

shyness

n. the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

synonym : bashfulness, timidity, modesty

(1) lose some of my **shyness**, (2) **shyness** barrier

He finally overcame his **shyness**.

tradition

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

synonym : custom, practice, ritual

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

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

instruction

n. detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something

synonym : education, direction, guidance

(1) individual **instruction**, (2) follow his **instructions**

They needed further **instruction** to perform their duties efficiently.

balance

n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

synonym : equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

(1) the **balance** of power, (2) asset on the company's **balance** sheet

Try to keep a **balance** between work and off.

integrate

v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

synonym : mix, merge, combine

(1) **integrate** into the existing system, (2) **integrate** both businesses

He found that it is difficult to **integrate** socially.

mastery

n. complete control or power of something to dominate or defeat; great skill or knowledge in a particular subject or activity

synonym : proficiency, aptitude, domination

(1) **mastery** of mathematics, (2) strive for **mastery**

The country finally gained **mastery** over the whole land of its neighbors.

intelligence

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

synonym : brains, brightness, cleverness

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

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

radical

adj. relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions

synonym : extreme, revolutionary

(1) a **radical** flaw in the plan, (2) a **radical** cure

The government established by the coup was more **radical** than before.

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**.

expansion

n. the process of becoming larger or more extensive, or the result of this process

synonym : growth, enlargement, development

(1) industrial **expansion**, (2) **expansion** project

The company is undergoing an **expansion**, opening new locations in several states.

faculty

n. an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned

with a major division of knowledge

synonym: capability, talent, aptitude

(1) a member of the **faculty**, (2) the illative **faculty** of the mind

This university's computer science **faculty** is world distinguished.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

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

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

communal

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

stud

n. a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

synonym: beam, scantling, framing

(1) horse **stud**, (2) wall **stud**

He bought a new **stud** to attach the strap to his watch.

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.

refinement

n. the process of making something better or more sophisticated or of improving something by making it more accurate or precise

synonym : improvement, perfection, polish

(1) **refinement** of her image, (2) high level of **refinement**
The **refinement** of the production process led to a significant increase in efficiency.

consensus

n. general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole

synonym : agreement, accord, harmony

(1) a public **consensus**, (2) **consensus** among scientists
The two parties have reached a **consensus**.

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.

engage

v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

synonym : confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,
(2) **engage** a new employee
Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

inclusive

adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

synonym : cover-all, all-embracing, comprehensive

(1) a fully **inclusive** price, (2) **inclusive** education
The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its **inclusive** policy.

diversity

n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

synonym : variety, multiplicity, variousness

(1) the **diversity** policy of the university, (2) lingual **diversity**

He was impressed by the range and **diversity** of the collection.

awareness

n. the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important

synonym : understanding, cognition, knowledge

(1) **awareness** of my ignorance, (2) raise public **awareness**

There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental **awareness**.

honor

n. high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality;
(verb) to show respect towards someone

synonym : integrity, virtue, acclaim

(1) womanly **honor**, (2) **honor** our ancestors

I claim on my **honor** that it is true.

articulate

v. to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language

synonym : express, state, utter

(1) **articulate** his position, (2) eloquently **articulate**

She was able to **articulate** her argument in the debate clearly.

byproduct

n. a secondary or incidental product produced in the manufacture or synthesis of something else

synonym : side effect, spinoff, outgrowth

(1) toxic **byproducts**, (2) **byproduct** of technology

The **byproduct** of the energy production process is a large amount of carbon dioxide emissions.

vibrant

adj. full of energy, life, and enthusiasm

synonym : animated, dynamic, deep

(1) a city **vibrant** with life, (2) variety of **vibrant** colors

A **vibrant** private sector is crucial for economic growth.

attract

v. to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

synonym : lure, entice, draw in

(1) **attract** attention, (2) **attract** customers

The government is eager to **attract** international investment.

prioritize

v. to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

synonym : rank, order, arrange

(1) **prioritize** tasks, (2) **prioritize** people over cars

The organization **prioritized** the needs of the community in its decision-making.

prestige

n. respect and admiration felt or shown for someone or something based on a perception of their achievements or quality

synonym : honor, distinction, reputation

(1) national **prestige**, (2) **prestige** company

The university has great **prestige** in the academic community.

harmonious

adj. characterized by harmony or agreement; free from conflict or disagreement; pleasing or soothing in sound or tone

synonym : concordant, consistent, melodious

(1) **harmonious** relationship, (2) **harmonious** blend

The painting's **harmonious** composition and balance of colors made it a masterpiece.

sustainable

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

synonym : continuable, enduring, tolerable

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

sustainable development

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

invite

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

synonym: ask, request, summon

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

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

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

(1) **exciting** football player, (2) **exciting** news

The findings of the experiment were both **exciting** and unexpected.

limitless

adj. without end, limit, or boundary; infinite

synonym: boundless, infinite, unrestricted

(1) for a **limitless** time, (2) **limitless** potential

The possibilities for scientific discovery are **limitless**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. the pr____nd depths of the sea *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
2. re____nt our life *v.* to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new
3. Br____ay theater *n.* a famous street in New York City, specifically in the borough of Manhattan, renowned for its theaters and musical productions; the commercial theater district and the theater industry in general
4. ac____ic probation *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
5. decision-making pr____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
6. pro____ty for chocolate *n.* a natural tendency or inclination towards a particular behavior, activity, or worldview; a predisposition or liking for something
7. soft c__y ground *n.* a natural, earthy material that is made up of very small particles of minerals and can be molded when wet and then fired to produce ceramics

ANSWERS: 1. profound, 2. reinvent, 3. Broadway, 4. academic, 5. process, 6. proclivity, 7. clay

8. he____n argument *adj.* occurring or done directly, without any intermediaries or avoidance; confronting or facing something directly, without any evasion or compromise
9. c__l wire *v.* to wind something in a spiral or helical shape; to create a coil or coil-like shape; to group or organize something closely together in a circular or spiral pattern
10. so_____gy professor *n.* the scientific study of human social behavior, including the way in which people interact with one another, the organizations and institutions they create, and the societies they form
11. local h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
12. dogged per_____nce *n.* steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success
13. cu_____te a field *v.* to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
14. s__m the book against a wall *v.* to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily
15. exit from a l__p *n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself

ANSWERS: 8. head-on, 9. coil, 10. sociology, 11. hero, 12. perseverance, 13. cultivate, 14. slam, 15. loop

16. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
17. sh_____s barrier *n.* the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people
18. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
19. raise public aw_____ss *n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
20. eloquently art_____te *v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
21. ir___c result *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
22. romantic co___y *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
23. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
24. control my em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

ANSWERS: 16. communicate, 17. shyness, 18. engage, 19. awareness, 20. articulate, 21. ironic, 22. comedy, 23. interaction, 24. emotion

25. a warm em_____e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of claspng another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
26. har_____us relationship *adj.* characterized by harmony or agreement; free from conflict or disagreement; pleasing or soothing in sound or tone
27. occ_____lly change the routine *adv.* now and then; sometimes but not often
28. co_____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
29. a pr_____nd book *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
30. harvesting wh__t *n.* a cereal plant that is the most important kind grown in temperate countries, the grain of which is ground to make flour for bread, pasta, pastry, etc
31. th___e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
32. epoxy g__e *n.* a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials
33. si__e off the hair over the flames *v.* to burn something slightly or superficially, usually by mistake
34. an_____ce the award winners *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
35. thousands of po__ds *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

ANSWERS: 25. embrace, 26. harmonious, 27. occasionally, 28. concept, 29. profound, 30. wheat, 31. thrive, 32. glue, 33. singe, 34. announce, 35. pound

36. in_____ct a student *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
37. make dr_____ic changes *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
38. pr_____ge company *n.* respect and admiration felt or shown for someone or something based on a perception of their achievements or quality
39. positive feedback l__p *n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
40. pri_____ze people over cars *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
41. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
42. ex_____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
43. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
44. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
45. a def_____ve edition *adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed

ANSWERS: 36. instruct, 37. dramatic, 38. prestige, 39. loop, 40. prioritize, 41. decision, 42. exciting, 43. tradition, 44. perspective, 45. definitive

46. demonstrate an up___d trend *adv.* toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher place
47. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
48. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
49. learning cu__e *n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
50. ce_____te Christmas *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
51. afraid to show em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
52. an int_____nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
53. a sl_____ry customer *adj.* difficult to hold firmly or stand on because it is wet or smooth; not to be trusted
54. the di_____ty policy of the university *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

ANSWERS: 46. upward, 47. individual, 48. inspire, 49. curve, 50. celebrate, 51. emotion, 52. intelligence, 53. slippery, 54. diversity

55. follow his ins_____ons *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
56. ex_____on project *n.* the process of becoming larger or more extensive, or the result of this process
57. stylistically inn_____ve works *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
58. She int_____lly spread misleading information. *adv.* in a planned or intended way
59. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
60. lingual di_____ty *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
61. have no up___e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
62. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
63. three-fourths of a po__d *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
64. 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
65. oa_____l cookies *n.* a type of cereal made from oats that have been ground or steel-cut
66. co_____e change *n.* a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation

ANSWERS: 55. instruction, 56. expansion, 57. innovative, 58. intentionally, 59. participate, 60. diversity, 61. upside, 62. engage, 63. pound, 64. embrace, 65. oatmeal, 66. costume

67. def_____ve answer *adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed
68. li_____ng career *adj.* lasting for the whole of someone's life
69. per_____on instrument *n.* the section of an orchestra or band that plays instruments such as drums, cymbals, and tambourines; the action of striking something to produce a sound
70. bombs fell at ra___m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
71. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
72. o___e with confidence *v.* to flow or seep out slowly, often in a thick, viscous manner; to exude or emit slowly and steadily
73. animal so_____gy *n.* the scientific study of human social behavior, including the way in which people interact with one another, the organizations and institutions they create, and the societies they form
74. during the se_____er breaks *n.* one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
75. cu_____te relationships *v.* to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
76. students at all gr___e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

ANSWERS: 67. definitive, 68. lifelong, 69. percussion, 70. random, 71. invite, 72. ooze, 73. sociology, 74. semester, 75. cultivate, 76. grade

77. ho__r our ancestors *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
78. fr_____nt absence *adj.* happening constantly
79. a public co_____us *n.* general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole
80. pri_____ze tasks *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
81. meet his com_____nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
82. pro_____ty towards laziness *n.* a natural tendency or inclination towards a particular behavior, activity, or worldview; a predisposition or liking for something
83. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
84. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
85. so__d ally *adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

ANSWERS: 77. honor, 78. frequent, 79. consensus, 80. prioritize, 81. commitment, 82. proclivity, 83. extraordinary, 84. process, 85. solid

86. 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
87. co_____us among scientists n. general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole
88. score an ad_____ge n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
89. co_____al swimming pool adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
90. the in____t of a question n. a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
91. m__d allergy n. a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
92. a fully in_____ve price adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

ANSWERS: 86. develop, 87. consensus, 88. advantage, 89. communal, 90. intent, 91. mold, 92. inclusive

93. an____ce candidacy *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
94. horse s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
95. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
96. average fuel con_____on *n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials
97. en____or as much as possible *v.* to make an earnest attempt or effort; to strive or work hard towards a goal or objective
98. in_____te both businesses *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
99. social ant_____ogy *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
100. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental

ANSWERS: 93. announce, 94. stud, 95. interaction, 96. consumption, 97. endeavor, 98. integrate, 99. anthropology, 100. essential

101. g__e stick *n.* a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials
102. ev___e over the past decade *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
103. in___t gaze *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
104. na_____te the Pacific *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
105. c__l an arm *v.* to wind something in a spiral or helical shape; to create a coil or coil-like shape; to group or organize something closely together in a circular or spiral pattern
106. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
107. a person of in_____ty *n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
108. d_p a pen in ink *v.* to put something into a liquid for a short time and take it out again
109. walk on_____e *adv.* onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience
110. di_____ee about a particular issue *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

ANSWERS: 101. glue, 102. evolve, 103. intent, 104. navigate, 105. coil, 106. communal, 107. integrity, 108. dip, 109. onstage, 110. disagree

111. aw_____ss of my ignorance *n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
112. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
113. oil on ca____s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
114. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
115. ignorance is bl__s *n.* extreme happiness or joy
116. Br_____ay show *n.* a famous street in New York City, specifically in the borough of Manhattan, renowned for its theaters and musical productions; the commercial theater district and the theater industry in general
117. in_____l confidence *v.* to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually
118. ex_____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
119. co_____e party *n.* a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation
120. ev____e *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
121. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

ANSWERS: 111. awareness, 112. concept, 113. canvas, 114. creative, 115. bliss, 116. Broadway, 117. instill, 118. exciting, 119. costume, 120. evolve, 121. slide

122. op_____l for intellectual growth *adj.* the best; most likely to be successful or advantageous
123. a ra_____l cure *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
124. art_____te his position *v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
125. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
126. ma_____y of mathematics *n.* complete control or power of something to dominate or defeat; great skill or knowledge in a particular subject or activity
127. high level of ref_____nt *n.* the process of making something better or more sophisticated or of improving something by making it more accurate or precise
128. oa_____l breakfast *n.* a type of cereal made from oats that have been ground or steel-cut
129. appeared on_____e *adv.* onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience
130. ta_____a balls *n.* a starchy substance derived from the cassava plant, typically used in cooking and baking as a thickening agent or as the base for puddings or desserts
131. in_____ct a computer *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
132. en_____or to succeed *v.* to make an earnest attempt or effort; to strive or work hard towards a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 122. optimal, 123. radical, 124. articulate, 125. identify, 126. mastery, 127. refinement, 128. oatmeal, 129. onstage, 130. tapioca, 131. instruct, 132. endeavor

133. use of inn_____ve technology *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
134. st_____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
135. fr_____nt use *adj.* happening constantly
136. har_____us blend *adj.* characterized by harmony or agreement; free from conflict or disagreement; pleasing or soothing in sound or tone
137. occ_____lly dine with friends *adv.* now and then; sometimes but not often
138. s_w a button *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
139. for a li_____ss time *adj.* without end, limit, or boundary; infinite
140. sp____l design *n.* a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around
141. individual ins_____on *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
142. ta_____a pearls *n.* a starchy substance derived from the cassava plant, typically used in cooking and baking as a thickening agent or as the base for puddings or desserts
143. asset on the company's ba_____e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
144. muscular st_____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

ANSWERS: 133. innovative, 134. strength, 135. frequent, 136. harmonious, 137. occasionally, 138. sew, 139. limitless, 140. spiral, 141. instruction, 142. tapioca, 143. balance, 144. strength

145. c__y animation *n.* a natural, earthy material that is made up of very small particles of minerals and can be molded when wet and then fired to produce ceramics
146. toxic by_____cts *n.* a secondary or incidental product produced in the manufacture or synthesis of something else
147. an instrument of to_____e *n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
148. so__d employment measures *adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality
149. strive for ma_____y *n.* complete control or power of something to dominate or defeat; great skill or knowledge in a particular subject or activity
150. co_____ve question *adj.* tending to make something likely or possible
151. unsung h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
152. bre _____ugh discovery *n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem
153. ill_____te a key point *v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation

ANSWERS: 145. clay, 146. byproduct, 147. torture, 148. solid, 149. mastery, 150. conducive, 151. hero, 152. breakthrough, 153. illustrate

154. at_____t customers *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
155. an ir____c turn of events *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
156. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
157. lose some of my sh____s *n.* the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people
158. asp_____on into the lungs *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
159. in_____ve education *adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
160. yield cu__e *n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
161. re_____e education policy *v.* to change the form or structure of something
162. a city vi____t with life *adj.* full of energy, life, and enthusiasm
163. wall s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

ANSWERS: 154. attract, 155. ironic, 156. participate, 157. shyness, 158. aspiration, 159. inclusive, 160. curve, 161. reshape, 162. vibrant, 163. stud

164. ce_____te his election *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
165. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
166. a casting m__d *n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
167. th___e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
168. re_____e my thoughts *v.* to change the form or structure of something
169. a member of the fa_____y *n.* an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge
170. variety of vi_____t colors *adj.* full of energy, life, and enthusiasm
171. col_____te with the police *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
172. col_____te on a press release *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
173. ar__w pointing *n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow

ANSWERS: 164. celebrate, 165. environment, 166. mold, 167. thrive, 168. reshape, 169. faculty, 170. vibrant, 171. collaborate, 172. collaborate, 173. arrow

174. he_____n approach *adj.* occurring or done directly, without any intermediaries or avoidance; confronting or facing something directly, without any evasion or compromise
175. in_____ty of data *n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
176. in_____l medication into my eye *v.* to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually
177. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
178. wh__t crop *n.* a cereal plant that is the most important kind grown in temperate countries, the grain of which is ground to make flour for bread, pasta, pastry, etc
179. take ad_____ge of his weak points *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
180. re_____nt local dishes *v.* to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new
181. ref_____nt of her image *n.* the process of making something better or more sophisticated or of improving something by making it more accurate or precise
182. a to_____e chamber *n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

ANSWERS: 174. head-on, 175. integrity, 176. instill, 177. grade, 178. wheat, 179. advantage, 180. reinvent, 181. refinement, 182. torture

183. 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
184. no asp_____on for fame *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
185. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
186. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
187. celebrity go____p *n.* conversation or discussion about other people's personal affairs, often of a trivial or idle nature involving sharing rumors, hearsay, or speculation about the lives of others
188. ill_____te a story *v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
189. a ra_____l flaw in the plan *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
190. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
191. the ba_____e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

ANSWERS: 183. develop, 184. aspiration, 185. perspective, 186. innovation, 187. gossip, 188. illustrate, 189. radical, 190. tradition, 191. balance

192. the head of a ha____y *n.* an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
193. in____e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
194. field of artificial int____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
195. na____te through a document *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
196. ultimate bl__s *n.* extreme happiness or joy
197. g__t determination *n.* very small pieces of stone or sand; mental toughness and determination or perseverance in the face of challenges or obstacles
198. she hit him int____lly *adv.* in a planned or intended way
199. an au____ic signature *adj.* known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy
200. s_w with thread *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
201. s__m the door *v.* to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily
202. a capillary t__e *n.* a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape

ANSWERS: 192. hallway, 193. invite, 194. intelligence, 195. navigate, 196. bliss, 197. grit, 198. intentionally, 199. authentic, 200. sew, 201. slam, 202. tube

203. co___y series *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
204. market up___e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
205. barren of cr____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
206. sus_____le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
207. go___p magazine *n.* conversation or discussion about other people's personal affairs, often of a trivial or idle nature involving sharing rumors, hearsay, or speculation about the lives of others
208. a ra___m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
209. li_____ss potential *adj.* without end, limit, or boundary; infinite
210. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
211. end of the se_____er *n.* one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
212. wax a ha_____y floor *n.* an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open

ANSWERS: 203. comedy, 204. upside, 205. creative, 206. sustainable, 207. gossip, 208. random, 209. limitless, 210. individual, 211. semester, 212. hallway

213. 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
214. di_____ee with a plan *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
215. the con_____on of food *n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials
216. d_p a chip in the sauce *v.* to put something into a liquid for a short time and take it out again
217. co_____ve to growth *adj.* tending to make something likely or possible
218. ant_____ogy of religion *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
219. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
220. chest per_____on *n.* the section of an orchestra or band that plays instruments such as drums, cymbals, and tambourines; the action of striking something to produce a sound
221. at_____t attention *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
222. in_____te into the existing system *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

ANSWERS: 213. decision, 214. disagree, 215. consumption, 216. dip, 217. conducive, 218. anthropology, 219. extraordinary, 220. percussion, 221. attract, 222. integrate

223. principles of sus_____le
development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
224. a glass t__e *n.* a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape
225. a com_____nt to an alliance *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
226. look up___d *adv.* toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher place
227. share of a mu___l fund *adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties
228. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
229. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
230. si__e the edges of a fabric *v.* to burn something slightly or superficially, usually by mistake
231. the sets were meticulously au_____ic *adj.* known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy
232. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
233. womanly ho__r *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

ANSWERS: 223. sustainable, 224. tube, 225. commitment, 226. upward, 227. mutual, 228. innovation, 229. communicate, 230. singe, 231. authentic, 232. inspire, 233. honor

234. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
235. o__e from the speakers *v.* to flow or seep out slowly, often in a thick, viscous manner; to exude or emit slowly and steadily
236. g__t washer *n.* very small pieces of stone or sand; mental toughness and determination or perseverance in the face of challenges or obstacles
237. blank ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
238. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
239. ar__w diagram *n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
240. li_____ng commitment *adj.* lasting for the whole of someone's life
241. the illative fa_____y of the mind *n.* an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge
242. mu___l efforts *adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties
243. a sp__y of mist *n.* a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage

ANSWERS: 234. slide, 235. ooze, 236. grit, 237. canvas, 238. environment, 239. arrow, 240. lifelong, 241. faculty, 242. mutual, 243. spray

244. sp___l staircase *n.* a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around
245. national pr____ge *n.* respect and admiration felt or shown for someone or something based on a perception of their achievements or quality
246. id____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
247. an ac____ic discussion *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
248. sl____ry ice *adj.* difficult to hold firmly or stand on because it is wet or smooth; not to be trusted
249. unwavering per____nce *n.* steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success
250. achieve op____l health *adj.* the best; most likely to be successful or advantageous
251. a dr____ic rescue at sea *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
252. by____ct of technology *n.* a secondary or incidental product produced in the manufacture or synthesis of something else
253. an insect sp__y *n.* a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage

ANSWERS: 244. spiral, 245. prestige, 246. identify, 247. academic, 248. slippery, 249. perseverance, 250. optimal, 251. dramatic, 252. byproduct, 253. spray

254. industrial ex_____on *n.* the process of becoming larger or more extensive, or the result of this process
255. es_____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
256. bre_____ugh in the negotiations *n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem

ANSWERS: 254. expansion, 255. essential, 256. breakthrough

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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

2. I heard some juicy _____ about our co-worker at the water cooler.
 - n. conversation or discussion about other people's personal affairs, often of a trivial or idle nature involving sharing rumors, hearsay, or speculation about the lives of others

3. I love going to see live _____ shows with my friends.
 - n. a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

4. Please ___ up a bucketful of water from the well.
 - v. to put something into a liquid for a short time and take it out again

5. The _____ of the production process led to a significant increase in efficiency.
 - n. the process of making something better or more sophisticated or of improving something by making it more accurate or precise

6. The advent of the Internet completely _____ the manufacturing industry.
 - v. to change the form or structure of something

7. I _____ for reasons already stated above.
 - v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

ANSWERS: 1. develop, 2. gossip, 3. comedy, 4. dip, 5. refinement, 6. reshaped, 7. disagree

8. The _____ in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.
n. a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
9. The _____ train was packed with commuters during rush hour.
n. a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape
10. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.
adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
11. He has an _____ to become a doctor.
n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
12. The areas of _____ and psychology are significantly related to one another.
n. the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
13. 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
14. This university's computer science _____ is world distinguished.
n. an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge

ANSWERS: 8. curve, 9. tube, 10. creative, 11. aspiration, 12. anthropology, 13. decision, 14. faculty

15. The government should do more to support environmentally _____ agriculture.

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

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

v. to take part in something

17. The government is eager to _____ international investment.

v. to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

18. The designer's _____ was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.

n. a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

19. They cooperated for their _____ benefit.

adj. common to or shared by two or more parties

20. They needed further _____ to perform their duties efficiently.

n. detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something

21. 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

22. The Prime Minister stressed the need to create _____ industries.

adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.

ANSWERS: 15. sustainable, 16. participated, 17. attract, 18. intent, 19. mutual, 20. instruction, 21. embrace, 22. innovative

23. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
24. How extraordinarily _____ a liar the camera is.
adj. difficult to hold firmly or stand on because it is wet or smooth; not to be trusted
25. We will _____ to find a solution to the problem as quickly as possible.
v. to make an earnest attempt or effort; to strive or work hard towards a goal or objective
26. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
27. The farmer grew _____ on his land.
n. a cereal plant that is the most important kind grown in temperate countries, the grain of which is ground to make flour for bread, pasta, pastry, etc
28. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.
adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement
29. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
30. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.
v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

ANSWERS: 23. grade, 24. slippery, 25. endeavor, 26. innovation, 27. wheat, 28. exciting, 29. inspired, 30. communicate

31. She has a lot of _____ and determination to succeed.

n. very small pieces of stone or sand; mental toughness and determination or perseverance in the face of challenges or obstacles

32. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.

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

33. The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national _____.

n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

34. The sculptor carefully molded the _____ into the desired shape.

n. a natural, earthy material that is made up of very small particles of minerals and can be molded when wet and then fired to produce ceramics

35. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

36. My mother's illness had a _____ impact on us all.

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

37. The stages of the play were meticulously _____

adj. known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy

ANSWERS: 31. grit, 32. invite, 33. hero, 34. clay, 35. process, 36. profound, 37. authentic

38. She still _____ writes a short romance novel.

adv. now and then; sometimes but not often

39. The _____ of water is called ice.

adj. hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

40. The _____ of the energy production process is a large amount of carbon dioxide emissions.

n. a secondary or incidental product produced in the manufacture or synthesis of something else

41. He performed his magic trick _____ leaving the audience in awe.

adv. onto or on a stage in a theater; in front of an audience

42. There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental _____.

n. the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important

43. Despite facing numerous setbacks and obstacles, his _____ and determination led him to success.

n. steadfastness in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success

44. University is a great place to _____ our minds and expertise.

v. to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants

45. The statement had a _____ impact on house prices.

adj. very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement

46. He had a _____ love of reading and spent hours daily with a book.

adj. lasting for the whole of someone's life

ANSWERS: 38. occasionally, 39. solid-state, 40. byproduct, 41. onstage, 42. awareness, 43. perseverance, 44. cultivate, 45. dramatic, 46. lifelong

47. The artist used a _____ paint can to create a graffiti mural on the wall.
- n.* a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage
48. He found that it is difficult to _____ socially.
- v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
49. Many people in this city use the _____ railway for transportation.
- n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
50. I love starting my day with a bowl of warm _____ and fresh fruit.
- n.* a type of cereal made from oats that have been ground or steel-cut
51. The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its _____ policy.
- adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
52. The archer aimed his _____ carefully at the target.
- n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
53. My mother taught me how to _____.
- v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
54. I claim on my _____ that it is true.
- n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

ANSWERS: 47. spray, 48. integrate, 49. loop, 50. oatmeal, 51. inclusive, 52. arrow, 53. sew, 54. honor

55. A technique called deep learning has led to _____ in AI.
- n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem
56. The _____ section is an essential part of the band's sound.
- n.* the section of an orchestra or band that plays instruments such as drums, cymbals, and tambourines; the action of striking something to produce a sound
57. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.
- n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
58. The company is undergoing an _____ opening new locations in several states.
- n.* the process of becoming larger or more extensive, or the result of this process
59. His business _____ took him to the United States.
- n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
60. We must complete all of these courses in the following _____.
- n.* one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
61. The facility manager _____ the security guards to be on high alert.
- v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
62. The leaves of the fern were arranged in a _____ pattern.
- n.* a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around

ANSWERS: 55. breakthroughs, 56. percussion, 57. concept, 58. expansion, 59. commitments, 60. semester, 61. instructed, 62. spiral

63. The first two years of her marriage were sheer _____.
- n.* extreme happiness or joy
64. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
- n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
65. The third season of the anime show has been _____.
- v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
66. Our knowledge helps _____ our clients successfully.
- v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
67. Wild animals need to go forward with the _____ action to survive.
- adj.* the best; most likely to be successful or advantageous
68. The company's financial records _____ how successful it has been.
- v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
69. Without investment, a business cannot _____.
- v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
70. She agreed to _____ with him in creating new artwork.
- v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
71. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.
- adj.* indispensable; fundamental

ANSWERS: 63. bliss, 64. tradition, 65. announced, 66. navigate, 67. optimal, 68. illustrate, 69. thrive, 70. collaborate, 71. essential

72. She studied _____ in college, learning about different societies and how they function.
- n.* the scientific study of human social behavior, including the way in which people interact with one another, the organizations and institutions they create, and the societies they form
73. He bought a new _____ to attach the strap to his watch.
- n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
74. In our country, water _____ usually decreases during the winter.
- n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials
75. The painting's _____ composition and balance of colors made it a masterpiece.
- adj.* characterized by harmony or agreement; free from conflict or disagreement; pleasing or soothing in sound or tone
76. The quiet and peaceful environment was _____ to concentration and productivity.
- adj.* tending to make something likely or possible
77. We watched an incredible _____ musical last night.
- n.* a famous street in New York City, specifically in the borough of Manhattan, renowned for its theaters and musical productions; the commercial theater district and the theater industry in general

ANSWERS: 72. sociology, 73. stud, 74. consumption, 75. harmonious, 76. conducive, 77. Broadway

78. The two parties have reached a _____.
- n.* general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole
79. I didn't realize the iron was still hot and _____ my dress.
- v.* to burn something slightly or superficially, usually by mistake
80. An excellent historian must possess an _____ mentality.
- adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
81. Mushrooms and _____ are fungi.
- n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
82. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.
- n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
83. She wore a beautiful _____ for the play.
- n.* a set of clothes worn by an actor in a play or film or by a person representing a particular character or occupation
84. He dashed down a _____ to a bathroom.
- n.* an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
85. Her _____ for procrastination meant she always left her assignments until the last minute.
- n.* a natural tendency or inclination towards a particular behavior, activity, or worldview; a predisposition or liking for something

ANSWERS: 78. consensus, 79. singed, 80. academic, 81. mold, 82. balance, 83. costume, 84. hallway, 85. proclivity

86. The wound on his leg continued to _____ blood even after he applied pressure.
v. to flow or seep out slowly, often in a thick, viscous manner; to exude or emit slowly and steadily
87. The use of _____ is strictly prohibited under international law.
n. the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
88. The country finally gained _____ over the whole land of its neighbors.
n. complete control or power of something to dominate or defeat; great skill or knowledge in a particular subject or activity
89. His heartaches are less _____ now.
adj. happening constantly
90. Life is a vast _____ you should put as much paint on it as possible.
n. the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
91. A _____ private sector is crucial for economic growth.
adj. full of energy, life, and enthusiasm
92. The possibilities for scientific discovery are _____.
adj. without end, limit, or boundary; infinite
93. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
94. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.
v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

ANSWERS: 86. ooze, 87. torture, 88. mastery, 89. frequent, 90. canvas;, 91. vibrant, 92. limitless, 93. Communal, 94. slide

95. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.

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

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

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

97. The study provided _____ proof of the effectiveness of the new drug.

adj. serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed

98. A _____ collision on the highway led to a major traffic jam.

adj. occurring or done directly, without any intermediaries or avoidance; confronting or facing something directly, without any evasion or compromise

99. The company's reputation for honesty and _____ is highly valued among its customers.

n. the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

100. To find drunk drivers, police conduct _____ tests.

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

101. I love the texture and taste of _____ pudding.

n. a starchy substance derived from the cassava plant, typically used in cooking and baking as a thickening agent or as the base for puddings or desserts

102. Many people see the _____ of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.

n. the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something

ANSWERS: 95. extraordinary, 96. intelligence, 97. definitive, 98. head-on, 99. integrity, 100. random, 101. tapioca, 102. upside

103. She carefully _____ the rope so that it wouldn't tangle.

- v. to wind something in a spiral or helical shape; to create a coil or coil-like shape; to group or organize something closely together in a circular or spiral pattern

104. She _____ the door shut, angry at the person on the other side.

- v. to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily

105. The teacher attempted to _____ the importance of hard work in her students.

- v. to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually

106. She was able to _____ her argument in the debate clearly.

- v. to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language

107. He finally overcame his _____.

- n. the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

108. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.

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

109. They have tried to _____ their grocery stores.

- v. to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new

110. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.

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

111. She would never _____ hurt anyone.

- adv. in a planned or intended way

ANSWERS: 103. coiled, 104. slammed, 105. instill, 106. articulate, 107. shyness, 108. emotions, 109. reinvent, 110. perspective, 111. intentionally

112. The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred _____.
- n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
113. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.
- n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
114. It was _____ that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.
- adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
115. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
- v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
116. The university has great _____ in the academic community.
- n.* respect and admiration felt or shown for someone or something based on a perception of their achievements or quality
117. 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
118. The carpenter applied _____ to the cabinet joints before nailing them together.
- n.* a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials
119. The organization _____ the needs of the community in its decision-making.
- v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

ANSWERS: 112. pounds, 113. interaction, 114. ironic, 115. engaged, 116. prestige, 117. individual, 118. glue, 119. prioritized

120. He was impressed by the range and _____ of the collection.

- n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

121. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.

- v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

122. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.

- n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

123. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

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

124. The company adjusted the revenue _____.

- adv.* toward the top or highest point, or a higher position or level; (adjective) extending or moving toward a higher place

125. One of the main _____ of the new product is its increased efficiency.

- n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

126. The government established by the coup was more _____ than before.

- adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions

127. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.

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

ANSWERS: 120. diversity, 121. evolved, 122. strength, 123. celebrated, 124. upward, 125. advantages, 126. radical, 127. environment

128. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.

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

ANSWERS: 128. identify