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Session 1: Word List

survival

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

synonym : endurance, continuity

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

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

planet

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

synonym : earth, world, globe

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

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

climate

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

synonym : atmosphere, weather, environment

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

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

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.

consequence

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

synonym : result, impact, outcome

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

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

dependence

n. the state or condition of relying or depending on someone or something else; a relationship in which one person or thing is influenced, controlled, or supported by another

synonym : reliance, trust, addiction

(1) **dependence** on technology, (2) financial **dependence**

The patient's **dependence** on painkillers became a serious concern for their healthcare team.

fossil

n. any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock

synonym : relic, remnant, antediluvian

(1) burning of **fossil** fuels, (2) a **fossil** leaf

It was the **fossil** of a dinosaur tooth.

fuel

n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy

synonym : energy, power, gas

(1) biomass **fuel**, (2) smokeless **fuel**

The **fuel** scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

impose

v. to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received

synonym : charge, levy, foist

(1) **impose** harsher sanctions, (2) **impose** tariffs

The problem with achievement tests is the narrowness they **impose** on students.

bribe

v. to try to make someone do something to gain one's favors or influence by giving a gift of money or other inducements

synonym: graft, corrupt

(1) **bribe** a politician, (2) **bribe** him with food

He tries to **bribe** the ship's captain to export illegal products.

pipeline

n. a very long large tube that is usually underground and is used for carrying liquid or gas for long distances

synonym: channel, line

(1) a data **pipeline**, (2) **pipeline** facilities

Rebels sabotaged the main **pipeline** supplying oil.

bypass

n. an alternative road, channel, pipe, or connection that allows flow while the main one is closed or obstructed;
(verb) to go past or round

(1) gastric **bypass** operation, (2) **bypass** circuit

This patient must undergo **bypass** surgery.

undersupply

n. a state or condition of insufficient or inadequate supply; a shortage or deficiency in the amount or availability of something

synonym: shortage, insufficiency

(1) **undersupply** of oxygen, (2) chronic **undersupply**

The **undersupply** of medical equipment has caused problems in the healthcare industry.

provoke

v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect

synonym: stimulate, incite, encourage

(1) **provoke** a disease, (2) **provoke** a reaction

Her behavior **provoked** a quarrel between the couple.

shock

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

synonym : amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

economy

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

synonym : finance, trade, business

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

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

destruction

n. the act of causing so much damage to something

synonym : devastation, annihilation, ruin

(1) path of **destruction**, (2) cyclonic **destruction**

The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat **destruction**.

infrastructure

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

synonym : foundation, framework

(1) IT **infrastructure**, (2) **infrastructure** cost

Aging societies tend to require huge costs for **infrastructure** maintenance.

launch

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

synonym : start, initiate, begin

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

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

month.

missile

n. a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism

synonym : projectile, rocket, bomb

(1) **missile** defense, (2) cruise **missile** attack

The military launched a ballistic **missile** at the enemy's stronghold.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym : demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

grid

n. a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

synonym : gridiron, battery grid, power system

(1) a **grid** design, (2) a wire **grid**

Grid pattern roads often appear in urban areas.

crush

v. to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller

synonym : destroy, demolish, pulverize

(1) **crush** coffee beans, (2) **crush** a revolt

The car was completely **crushed** in the accident.

employee

n. a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

synonym : worker, staff, personnel

(1) **employee** benefits, (2) **employee** evaluation

The **employee** handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

military

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

synonym : armed, martial, warlike

(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader

The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

expose

v. to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence

synonym : disclose, reveal, uncover

(1) **expose** a crime, (2) **expose** a person to risks

That newspaper **exposed** a political scandal in a big way.

vulnerable

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

synonym : susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body

Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym : enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

extract

n. a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

synonym : excerpt, quote, distillation

(1) a brief **extract** from the book, (2) botanical **extract**

Anesthetize the gum before **extracting** the teeth.

rely

v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

synonym : depend, count, lean

(1) **rely** on convenience stores, (2) **rely** entirely on him
Babies heavily **rely** on others for food.

renewable

adj. capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
synonym: sustainable, replaceable

(1) **renewable** energy, (2) **renewable** subscriptions
The production of **renewable** fuels requires massive volumes of fresh water.

resilient

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

synonym: robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population
She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

turbine

n. a machine that rotates to generate power from fluids such as water or gas

synonym: engine, generator, power plant

(1) **turbine** energy, (2) **turbine** aerofoil
The wind **turbines** were spinning rapidly, generating clean energy for the nearby town.

footprint

n. a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

synonym: footmark, imprint, impression

(1) **footprints** in the snow, (2) the **footprints** of an earlier civilization

We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon **footprint**.

distribute

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

synonym: broadcast, disperse, hand out

(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content
His estate was **distributed** to his sons.

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group
synonym: coalesce, cohere, blend

- (1) **combine** chemically with another substance,
(2) **combine** augmented reality

Hydrogen and oxygen **combine** to form water.

panel

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

synonym: board, commission, discussion

- (1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

enhance

v. to increase or improve the quality, amount, or strength of someone or something

synonym: improve, enrich, refine

- (1) **enhance** value, (2) **enhance** the flavor of the vanilla

The new strategy will **enhance** the profitability of our company.

threat

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

synonym: menace, danger, hazard

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

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

flood

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

synonym: deluge, downpour, overflow

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

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

invasion

n. army's act of forcibly entering another country or territory to take control of it

synonym : aggression, attack, raid

(1) the Turkish **invasion**, (2) home **invasion**

An **invasion** would most probably result in a political catastrophe.

capture

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

synonym : catch, arrest, imprison

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

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

asset

n. something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property

synonym : aid, resource, equity

(1) frozen **assets**, (2) liquid **assets** of the company

A sense of humor is an invaluable **asset** in this job.

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym : mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

contractor

n. a person or company that enters into a contract to provide materials or labor to perform a specific task or service

synonym : builder, declarer, construction company

(1) management **contractor**, (2) major defense **contractor**

The company hired a **contractor** to remodel their office building.

bomb

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

synonym : missile, explosive, ammunition

(1) atomic **bombs**, (2) disarm the **bomb**

The use of cluster **bombs** is strictly prohibited by international law.

shelter

n. a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger

synonym : refuge, hideout, lair

(1) rainproof **shelter**, (2) anti-air raid **shelter**

They need food and **shelter**.

expand

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

synonym : extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

accelerate

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

synonym : speed up, quicken, rev

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

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

transition

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

synonym : change, growth, shift

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

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

invest

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

synonym : fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym : sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

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.

coal

n. a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat

synonym : ember

(1) a **coal-fired** ship, (2) construction of new **coal** plants

We combust **coal** and other fossil fuels to generate electricity.

miner

n. a person who works in a mine (= excavation in the Earth from which ores and minerals are extracted), especially one who extracts coal, minerals, or precious metals from the Earth

synonym : digger, excavator, miner

(1) **miner** strike, (2) **miner** industry

The coal **miner** worked tirelessly to extract valuable minerals from deep underground.

offensive

adj. rude in a way that causes someone to feel anger, annoyance, or resentment; for the purpose of attack rather than defense

synonym : disrespectful, abusive, attacking

(1) assume the **offensive**, (2) an **offensive** smell

His **offensive** philosophy in business led to many hostile

takeovers.

crisis

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

synonym: concern, problem, emergency

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

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

independence

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

synonym: freedom, liberty, autonomy

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

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

glory

n. great honor or success won by notable achievements

synonym: acclaim, credit, recognition

(1) greatest **glory**, (2) former **glory**

It is preferable to die in **glory** than to live in dishonor.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 2. co_____e chemically with another substance | v. | to join or merge to form a single thing or group |
| 3. a brief ex_____t from the book | n. | a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force |
| 4. management con_____or | n. | a person or company that enters into a contract to provide materials or labor to perform a specific task or service |
| 5. a vul_____le bridge | adj. | capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally |
| 6. cost of solar pa__ls | n. | a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something |
| 7. a hard and re_____nt steel | adj. | able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions |
| 8. burning of fo___l fuels | n. | any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock |

ANSWERS: 1. impose, 2. combine, 3. extract, 4. contractor, 5. vulnerable, 6. panel, 7. resilient, 8. fossil

9. liquid as__ts of the company *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
10. en_____e value *v.* to increase or improve the quality, amount, or strength of someone or something
11. financial ind_____nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
12. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
13. em_____ee evaluation *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
14. financial dep_____ce *n.* the state or condition of relying or depending on someone or something else; a relationship in which one person or thing is influenced, controlled, or supported by another
15. economic th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
16. la____h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
17. financial cr____s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

ANSWERS: 9. asset, 10. enhance, 11. independence, 12. climate, 13. employee, 14. dependence, 15. threat, 16. launch, 17. crisis

18. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
19. environmental th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
20. IT inf_____ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
21. biomass f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
22. a g__d design *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
23. fo_____nts in the snow *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
24. ensure a smooth tra_____on *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
25. em_____e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
26. a mi_____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

ANSWERS: 18. consequence, 19. threat, 20. infrastructure, 21. fuel, 22. grid, 23. footprint, 24. transition, 25. embrace, 26. military

27. ec____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
28. botanical ex____t *n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force
29. chronic und____ly *n.* a state or condition of insufficient or inadequate supply; a shortage or deficiency in the amount or availability of something
30. effects of cl____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
31. acc____te the car *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
32. pi____ne facilities *n.* a very long large tube that is usually underground and is used for carrying liquid or gas for long distances
33. ind____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
34. r__y entirely on him *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

ANSWERS: 27. economy, 28. extract, 29. undersupply, 30. climate, 31. accelerate, 32. pipeline, 33. independence, 34. rely

35. im___e tariffs *v.* to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
36. home in___on *n.* army's act of forcibly entering another country or territory to take control of it
37. a mi___ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
38. dis_____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
39. tu_____e energy *n.* a machine that rotates to generate power from fluids such as water or gas
40. assume the of_____ve *adj.* rude in a way that causes someone to feel anger, annoyance, or resentment; for the purpose of attack rather than defense
41. sy___l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
42. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
43. acc_____te a chemical reaction *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
44. vul_____le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

ANSWERS: 35. impose, 36. invasion, 37. military, 38. distribute, 39. turbine, 40. offensive, 41. symbol, 42. economy, 43. accelerate, 44. vulnerable

54. ex___e a crime *v.* to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence
55. construction of new c__l plants *n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
56. ex___d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
57. smokeless f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
58. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
59. re_____le energy *adj.* capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
60. fl__d advisory *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
61. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
62. make dr_____ic changes *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
63. frozen as__ts *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
64. pa__l discussion *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

ANSWERS: 54. expose, 55. coal, 56. expand, 57. fuel, 58. capture, 59. renewable, 60. flood, 61. distribute, 62. dramatic, 63. asset, 64. panel

65. major defense con_____or
n. a person or company that enters into a contract to provide materials or labor to perform a specific task or service
66. dep_____ce on technology
n. the state or condition of relying or depending on someone or something else; a relationship in which one person or thing is influenced, controlled, or supported by another
67. death from sh__k
n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
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v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
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v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
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adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid
73. mi_____e defense
n. a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism
74. telescopic vi___n
n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

ANSWERS: 65. contractor, 66. dependence, 67. shock, 68. launch, 69. provoke, 70. combine, 71. dramatic, 72. massive, 73. missile, 74. vision

75. inf_____ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
76. pl___t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
77. br___e him with food *v.* to try to make someone do something to gain one's favors or influence by giving a gift of money or other inducements
78. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
79. re_____nt population *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
80. save the pl___t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
81. path of des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
82. tra_____on phase *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
83. the fo_____nts of an earlier civilization *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
84. cyclonic des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something

ANSWERS: 75. infrastructure, 76. planet, 77. bribe, 78. consequence, 79. resilient, 80. planet, 81. destruction, 82. transition, 83. footprint, 84. destruction

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ANSWERS: 85. invest, 86. crisis, 87. survival, 88. invasion, 89. coal, 90. undersupply, 91. pipeline, 92. bomb, 93. destroy, 94. offensive

95. mi__r strike *n.* a person who works in a mine (= excavation in the Earth from which ores and minerals are extracted), especially one who extracts coal, minerals, or precious metals from the Earth
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104. a wire g__d *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
105. br__e a politician *v.* to try to make someone do something to gain one's favors or influence by giving a gift of money or other inducements
106. sy___l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
107. cruise mi_____e attack *n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism
108. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
109. pr_____e a disease *v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
110. su_____al food *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
111. a fo___l leaf *n.* any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock
112. in___t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
113. sh__k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

ANSWERS: 103. renewable, 104. grid, 105. bribe, 106. symbol, 107. missile, 108. massive, 109. provoke, 110. survival, 111. fossil, 112. invest, 113. shock

114. r__y on convenience stores *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
115. former gl__y *n.* great honor or success won by notable achievements
116. ex___d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
117. disarm the b__b *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
118. ca_____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

ANSWERS: 114. rely, 115. glory, 116. expand, 117. bomb, 118. capture

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat _____.
n. the act of causing so much damage to something

2. I was able to _____ the moment on film.
v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

3. The nation's healthcare system is in _____ at the moment.
n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

4. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.
adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

5. That newspaper _____ a political scandal in a big way.
v. to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence

6. This patient must undergo _____ surgery.
n. an alternative road, channel, pipe, or connection that allows flow while the main one is closed or obstructed; (verb) to go past or round

7. We combust _____ and other fossil fuels to generate electricity.
n. a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat

ANSWERS: 1. destruction, 2. capture, 3. transition, 4. military, 5. exposed, 6. bypass, 7. coal

8. Her behavior _____ a quarrel between the couple.
- v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
9. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.
- v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
10. _____ pattern roads often appear in urban areas.
- n. a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
11. His estate was _____ to his sons.
- v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
12. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
- n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
13. The government tried to _____ the commercialization of this development.
- v. to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
14. Babies heavily _____ on others for food.
- v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
15. The new strategy will _____ the profitability of our company.
- v. to increase or improve the quality, amount, or strength of someone or something

ANSWERS: 8. provoked, 9. launch, 10. Grid, 11. distributed, 12. consequences, 13. accelerate, 14. rely, 15. enhance

16. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.
adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
17. A sense of humor is an invaluable _____ in this job.
n. something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
18. It is preferable to die in _____ than to live in dishonor.
n. great honor or success won by notable achievements
19. He evaluated his chances for _____ rather pessimistically.
n. the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
20. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.
n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
21. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
n. the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
22. Rebels sabotaged the main _____ supplying oil.
n. a very long large tube that is usually underground and is used for carrying liquid or gas for long distances
23. The wind _____ were spinning rapidly, generating clean energy for the nearby town.
n. a machine that rotates to generate power from fluids such as water or gas

ANSWERS: 16. vulnerable, 17. asset, 18. glory, 19. survival, 20. planet, 21. economy, 22. pipeline, 23. turbines

24. The problem with achievement tests is the narrowness they _____ on students.
- v. to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
25. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.
- n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
26. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.
- n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
27. The car was completely _____ in the accident.
- v. to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller
28. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.
- v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
29. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
- n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
30. The coal _____ worked tirelessly to extract valuable minerals from deep underground.
- n. a person who works in a mine (= excavation in the Earth from which ores and minerals are extracted), especially one who extracts coal, minerals, or precious metals from the Earth
31. Anesthetize the gum before _____ the teeth.
- n. a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

ANSWERS: 24. impose, 25. infrastructure, 26. vision, 27. crushed, 28. invest, 29. Climate, 30. miner, 31. extracting

32. The patient's _____ on painkillers became a serious concern for their healthcare team.
- n.* the state or condition of relying or depending on someone or something else; a relationship in which one person or thing is influenced, controlled, or supported by another
33. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.
- v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
34. A _____ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.
- n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
35. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.
- adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
36. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.
- n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
37. The production of _____ fuels requires massive volumes of fresh water.
- adj.* capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
38. It was the _____ of a dinosaur tooth.
- n.* any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock
39. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

ANSWERS: 32. dependence, 33. destroyed, 34. panel, 35. massive, 36. symbol, 37. renewable, 38. fossil, 39. crisis

40. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

41. We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon _____.

n. a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

42. He got an electric _____ at work.

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

43. The _____ handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

n. a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

44. The _____ of medical equipment has caused problems in the healthcare industry.

n. a state or condition of insufficient or inadequate supply; a shortage or deficiency in the amount or availability of something

45. These heavy rains caused flash _____ on several islands.

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

46. The company hired a _____ to remodel their office building.

n. a person or company that enters into a contract to provide materials or labor to perform a specific task or service

47. The military launched a ballistic _____ at the enemy's stronghold.

n. a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism

ANSWERS: 40. combine, 41. footprint, 42. shock, 43. employee, 44. undersupply, 45. floods, 46. contractor, 47. missile

48. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
49. The statement had a _____ impact on house prices.
adj. very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
50. They need food and _____.
n. a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
51. An _____ would most probably result in a political catastrophe.
n. army's act of forcibly entering another country or territory to take control of it
52. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.
n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence
53. He tries to _____ the ship's captain to export illegal products.
v. to try to make someone do something to gain one's favors or influence by giving a gift of money or other inducements
54. His _____ philosophy in business led to many hostile takeovers.
adj. rude in a way that causes someone to feel anger, annoyance, or resentment; for the purpose of attack rather than defense
55. The _____ scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector
n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy

ANSWERS: 48. threat, 49. dramatic, 50. shelter, 51. invasion, 52. independence, 53. bribe, 54. offensive, 55. fuel

56. She is a _____ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

57. The use of cluster _____ is strictly prohibited by international law.

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

58. 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

59. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

ANSWERS: 56. resilient, 57. bombs, 58. embrace, 59. expand