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Session 1: Word List

conjure

v. to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination

synonym: summon, evoke, call forth

(1) **conjure** evil spirits away, (2) **conjure** a vision

The magician **conjured** up a rabbit out of thin air.

boredom

n. a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation

synonym: ennui, tedium, monotony

(1) **boredom** relief, (2) chronic **boredom**

The long lecture on a topic I already knew left me struggling to fight off **boredom**.

biology

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

(1) evolutionary **biology**, (2) cell and molecular **biology**

In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in **biology** class.

physics

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

(1) nuclear **physics**, (2) laws of **physics**

He studied the **physics** of radiation.

discovery

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

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.

observation

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

synonym: watching, notice, reflection

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

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

prediction

n. the act of predicting the future by reasoning; a statement made about the future

synonym: forecast, anticipation, foretelling

(1) make my **predictions**, (2) gloomy **predictions**

These results muddied the **prediction**.

experiment

n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

synonym: experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

universe

n. everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

synonym : cosmos, macrocosm

(1) theory of the **universe**, (2) expansion of the **universe**

The **universe** is about 13.8 billion years old.

telescope

n. a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects

(1) a binocular **telescope**, (2) look through a **telescope**

This facility has the largest astronomical **telescope** in the country.

gaze

v. to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else

synonym : stare, gawk, look

(1) **gaze** steadily at his face, (2) **gaze** absently out a window

The youngster was **gazed** at by the beast.

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.

Jovian

adj. relating to Jupiter or its characteristics

synonym : Jupiter, giant planet

(1) **Jovian** satellites, (2) **Jovian** planet

The **Jovian** moon Europa is believed to have an ocean beneath its icy surface.

discard

v. to throw something away or get rid of something that you no longer wanted or need

synonym : throw away, reject, abandon

(1) **discard** old beliefs, (2) **discard** the downloaded data

He **discarded** the old torn shirt and bought a new one.

Newtonian

adj. relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation

synonym: classical, physics, mechanics

(1) **Newtonian** physics, (2) **Newtonian** mechanics

The motion of planets can be described using **Newtonian** mechanics.

gravity

n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

synonym: heaviness, attraction, weight

(1) the attraction of **gravity**, (2) preserve my **gravity**

The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of **gravity**.

rev

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym: revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

opposition

n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

synonym: resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

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.

humble

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

synonym : modest, unpretentious, abject

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

The nobler, the more **humble**.

recognize

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

synonym : acknowledge, identify, admit

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

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

gear

n. a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose

synonym : equipment, tools, apparatus

(1) sports **gear**, (2) a **gear** change lever

She checked her **gear** before embarking on the hike.

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.

medicinal

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

synonym : curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

discourse

n. any form of communication in speech or writing
synonym: discussion, dialogue, communication

(1) hold **discourse** with him, (2) a **discourse** about art
Sweet **discourse** makes short days and nights.

engineer

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
synonym: architect, creator, builder

(1) a civil **engineer**, (2) **engineer** shortage
The **engineer** will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

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.

Congress

n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
synonym: legislature, parliament, assembly

(1) an international **Congress**, (2) peace **Congress**
Congress must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

boardroom

n. a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets
synonym: meeting room, conference room, executive room

(1) **boardroom** meeting, (2) **boardroom** decision
The corporate **boardroom** was filled with tense silence as the CEO presented the new plan.

insure

v. to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
synonym: protect, guard, safeguard

(1) **insure** my house against fire, (2) **insure** domestic tranquility
I will **insure** my car before I go on a road trip.

ethics

n. a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong

synonym : morals, principles, moralities

(1) political **ethics**, (2) **ethics** of journalism

This scripture provides the code of **ethics** for the religion.

epidemiology

n. the study of the distribution and determinants of health-related states or events, including diseases, in specified populations, and the application of this study to the control of health problems

synonym : public health, disease control

(1) **epidemiology** research, (2) cancer **epidemiology**

The **epidemiology** of influenza has been well studied over the years, leading to the development of effective vaccines and treatment strategies.

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.

physician

n. a medical doctor who practices medicine

synonym : doctor, practitioner, medic

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

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

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym : completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

obsess

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

synonym : torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

protocol

n. a set of rules or procedures for transmitting data or conducting a process or activity, especially in computer networks or scientific experiments; the initial or original version of an agreement

synonym : procedure, system, method

(1) draft a **protocol**, (2) **protocol** breach

The company has a strict **protocol** for handling sensitive information to ensure security.

checklist

n. a list of items, tasks, or points to be considered or acted upon, used as a reminder and to ensure that all necessary steps have been taken

synonym : inventory, list, roll call

(1) **checklist** for evaluating, (2) audit **checklist**

I made a **checklist** of things to do before my vacation.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym : guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

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.

institutionalize

v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

synonym: formalize, establish, regularize

(1) **institutionalize** a system, (2) **institutionalize** customary laws

The new policy aims to **institutionalize** the use of renewable energy sources.

provision

n. the act of providing or supplying something; a clause in a document or law that specifies a particular requirement or condition

synonym: supply, agreement, stocking

(1) **provision** for loan losses, (2) administrative **provision**

The new law includes **provisions** for increased penalties for repeat offenders.

lubricate

v. to apply a substance, such as oil or grease, to reduce friction or wear on a surface

synonym: grease, oil, make slippery

(1) **lubricate** the economy, (2) **lubricate** the hinges with oil

The mechanic **lubricated** the gears to prevent them from grinding.

graduated

adj. having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees

synonym: completed, finished, earned

(1) **graduated** taxation, (2) **graduated** flask

She was a **graduated** student of a prestigious university.

medical

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

synonym: health, disease, treatment

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

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

doohickey

n. an unspecified object, typically something small or unfamiliar in the name; a colloquial or slang term for a

gadget, device, or widget

synonym: gadget, thingamajig, widget

(1) handy **doohickey**, (2) mechanical **doohickey**

I found this little **doohickey** in the garage, but I have no idea what it's used for.

mechanic

n. a person who repairs or maintains machinery or mechanical systems, particularly in automobiles or other vehicles; a person who is skilled in dealing with the details of a machine or system

synonym: technician, repairman, engineer

(1) car **mechanic**, (2) aircraft **mechanic**

I must take my car to the **mechanic** to check the brakes.

boring

adj. lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull

synonym: dull, tedious, monotonous

(1) **boring** work, (2) **boring** day

The lecture was so **boring** that many people fell asleep.

norm

n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

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.

know-how

n. practical knowledge, skills, or experience in a particular field or area, often acquired through personal experience or training

synonym:

expertise, skill, knowledge

(1) **know-how** transfer, (2) share **know-how**

Her culinary **know-how** helped her create an impressive menu for the party.

extend

v. to broaden in scope, range, or area

synonym: prolong, lengthen, advance

(1) **extend** the warranty, (2) **extend** a line

Her visit will **extend** from Monday to Friday.

surgeon

n. a doctor who is trained to perform medical operations that involve cutting open a person's body

synonym: sawbones, doctor

(1) an excellent brain **surgeon**, (2) army **surgeon**

He is a skilled **surgeon** that has many years of training and experience.

patient

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

synonym: client, recipient, subject

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

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

sarcoma

n. a type of cancer that originates from connective tissues such as bones, muscles, blood vessels, or cartilage, which occurs in various parts of the body and are characterized by the abnormal growth of malignant cells

synonym: tumor, cancer, growth

(1) soft tissue **sarcoma**, (2) osteogenic **sarcoma**

My uncle is starting a new chemotherapy regimen for his bone **sarcoma** this week.

cancer

n. abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

synonym : tumor, carcinoma, malignancy

(1) **cancer** diagnosis, (2) **cancer** research

Breast **cancer** is the most common type of cancer in women.

flesh

n. the soft substance composing the body of a person or animal, as opposed to bones and other structures

synonym : meat, muscle, tissue

(1) grow in **flesh**, (2) **flesh** eating

The **flesh** of the fruit is sweet and juicy.

surgery

n. medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

synonym : operation, (medical) procedure

(1) cardiac **surgery**, (2) the professor of **surgery**

He had undergone heart **surgery** years before.

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.

clinical

adj. of or relating to the examination and treatment of patients rather than theoretical or laboratory studies

synonym : dispassionate, analytic, scientific

(1) **clinical** surgery, (2) participate in **clinical** trials

She received special **clinical** training at the hospital.

population

n. the total number of people in a country, region, or location

synonym : people, inhabitants, folk

(1) **population** change, (2) labor **population**

In just four years, the **population** has doubled.

uncertain

adj. not being sure of something; not being able to choose
synonym: doubtful, skeptical, pending

(1) numerous **uncertain** factors, (2) take an **uncertain** attitude

She was **uncertain** about her friend's intentions.

surround

v. to be all around something or somebody
synonym: encircle, encompass, envelop

(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace
On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

humility

n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self

synonym: humbleness, modesty, unpretentiousness

(1) develop an attitude of **humility**, (2) lack of **humility**

We were filled with **humility** at the sight of the Queen.

curiosity

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

synonym: interest, inquisitiveness, novelty

(1) boundless **curiosity**, (2) satisfy my intellectual **curiosity**

We are motivated by **curiosity** rather than necessity.

colleague

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

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

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

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

distinct

adj. noticeable from something else of a similar type

synonym: different, special, characteristic

(1) **distinct** difference, (2) **distinct** from each other

It is essential to keep these two issues **distinct**.

collaboration

n. the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

synonym: affiliation, alliance, coalition

(1) **collaboration** between companies, (2) **collaboration** platform

The partnership program requires a mutual **collaboration** between both agencies.

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.

repurpose

v. to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended

synonym: reutilize, recycle, reuse

(1) **repurpose** an old building, (2) **repurpose** a used car

The old barn was **repurposed** into a modern event space.

ankle

n. the part or joint connecting the foot to the leg

synonym: mortise joint

(1) **ankle** injury, (2) pair of **ankle** boots

He accidentally sprained his **ankle** playing squash.

prosthetic

adj. of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant

(1) have **prosthetic** arms, (2) **prosthetic** limbs

New **prosthetic** joints are less prone to metal poisoning.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

desirable

adj. worth having or achieving; pleasing, attractive, or sought after

synonym: appealing, attractive, advisable

(1) **desirable** effect, (2) **desirable** result

The beachfront property had a **desirable** location with stunning ocean views.

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym: association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

define

v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

synonym: characterize, depict, express

(1) **define** a word, (2) **define** my position

To advance this discussion, we must **define** "success" rigorously.

trunk

n. the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow

synonym: body, chest, torso

(1) the **trunk** of the tree, (2) the **trunk** of the body

Destructive fungi thrive in moist environments, such as those seen in wounds on the **trunk**.

branch

n. a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization

synonym: limb, twig, bough

(1) **branch** office, (2) a **branch** pipe

The **branch** of the tree had fallen and blocked the road.

apparent

adj. able to see or understand easily or clearly

synonym: obvious, clear, conspicuous

(1) heir **apparent**, (2) **apparent** contradiction
This star is **apparent** to the naked eye.

crooked

adj. not straight or aligned; bent or curved to one side; not honest or fair; characterized by deception, fraud, or wrongdoing; irregular, uneven, or jagged in shape or form

synonym: bent, curved, twisted

(1) **crooked** smile, (2) **crooked** line

The table leg was **crooked**, causing all the cups to slide to one side.

nonetheless

adv. in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
synonym: nevertheless, regardless, still

(1) we are **nonetheless** confident, (2) love him
nonetheless

They each choose **nonetheless** to battle.

genetic

adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes

synonym: hereditary, genetical, inborn

(1) have **genetic** testing, (2) a **genetic** disorder

Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the **genetic** code.

disease

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

synonym: illness, ailment, affliction

(1) **disease** prevention, (2) **disease** control

The doctor diagnosed him with a rare **disease** that had no known cure.

oncology

n. the branch of medicine that deals with the study and treatment of tumors, especially malignancies

synonym: cancer treatment, study of tumors

(1) **oncology** center, (2) modern **oncology** treatment

The pharmaceutical company unveiled its latest breakthrough drug for the **oncology** market.

tumor

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

synonym : neoplasm, mass, lump

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

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

suppress

v. to bring something under control by force or authority; to put an end by force

synonym : subdue, bury, stifle

(1) **suppress** a yawn, (2) **suppress** a revolt

The doctor prescribed medication to **suppress** the patient's appetite.

breast

n. either of the two round soft parts of a woman's chest which secrete milk after childbirth

synonym : bosom, chest, bust

(1) **breast** cancer, (2) the mountain's **breast**

He grilled the **breast** meat of a chicken.

prostate

n. a small gland located near the bladder (= an organ located in the lower abdomen) in males that produces fluid that becomes part of semen

synonym : gland, bladder

(1) **prostate** surgery, (2) enlarged **prostate**

Men over the age of 50 are at a higher risk for **prostate** cancer.

lung

n. either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing

(1) **lung** capacity, (2) do **lung** transplantation

He has terminal **lung** cancer.

itsy-bitsy

adj. very small or tiny

synonym : tiny, small, miniature

(1) **itsy-bitsy** spider, (2) **itsy-bitsy** detail

Scientists use powerful microscopes to study **itsy-bitsy** particles.

transmissible

adj. of or connected with something, such as a disease or trait, able to be passed or transmitted from one person or organism to another

synonym: contagious, infectious, transferable

(1) **transmissible** through contact, (2) maximum **transmissible** data size

The disease is highly **transmissible** and can be transmitted through close contact with infected individuals.

bishop

n. a high-ranking member of the Christian clergy who holds spiritual and administrative authority over a geographic region or diocese; a chess piece that moves diagonally and is marked with a symbol resembling a bishop's hat

synonym: clergyman, pastor, priest

(1) **bishop** hat, (2) **bishop's** sermon on forgiveness

The **bishop's** palace was located near the cathedral.

virus

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

synonym: bacterium, germ, ailment

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

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

frequent

adj. happening constantly

synonym: periodic, recurring, routine

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

His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

diagnose

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

synonym: identify, analyze, interpret

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

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

advancement

n. the development, improvement, or progress of something

synonym: progression, breakthrough, improvement

(1) **advancement** of knowledge, (2) career **advancement**
Competition between countries resulted in fast technological **advancement**.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**
Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

terribly

adv. very badly; to a great extent or very much

synonym: awfully, abominably, badly

(1) suffer **terribly**, (2) I am **terribly** sorry
His arm was swollen and **terribly** red.

fraught

adj. causing, accompanied by, or full of anxiety, tension, or stress

synonym: tense, anxious, stressed

(1) become increasingly **fraught**, (2) **fraught** with danger
The negotiations were **fraught** with challenges and setbacks.

horrible

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

synonym: dreadful, terrible, awful

(1) **horrible** accident, (2) **horrible** smell
The experience was **horrible** and left a lasting impression.

phrase

n. a group of words that mean something specific when used together

synonym: expression, idiom, term

(1) ready-made **phrases**, (2) noun **phrase**

We bought a Spanish **phrase** book.

terminal

n. a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route

synonym: endpoint, final, concluding

(1) **terminal** disease, (2) a **terminal** syllable

The **terminal** at the airport is where passengers catch their flights.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym: quiet, hushed, mute

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

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

uncomfortable

adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

synonym: comfortless, discomforting, painful

(1) an **uncomfortable** silence, (2) with an **uncomfortable** face

His abusive words made me **uncomfortable**.

blank

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

synonym: empty, void, barren

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

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

shifting

adj. constantly changing or moving

synonym: unfirm, shifty, fluctuating

(1) **shifting** balance, (2) continuously **shifting** landscape

Trends in the fashion industry are so **shifting** that it is challenging to keep up with them.

chemotherapy

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

synonym : anticancer treatment, radiotherapy, immunotherapy

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

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

midnight

n. the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day

synonym : middle of the night, witching hour

(1) **midnight** snack, (2) **midnight** shift

I stayed up until **midnight** watching my favorite movie.

asleep

adj. in a state of sleep

synonym : sleeping, fallen, at rest

(1) **asleep** at the wheel, (2) dead **asleep**

He lay down and fell **asleep** immediately.

flashlight

n. a portable electric light with a handle and a switch that can be turned on and off

synonym : torch, lamp, beacon

(1) **flashlight** beam, (2) **flashlight** batteries

He used a backup **flashlight** to find his way through the dark cave.

memorize

v. to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly

synonym : learn, remember, remind

(1) **memorize** musical scores, (2) try hard to **memorize** the lines

Lawyers need to **memorize** even the most minor provisions of the law.

comply

v. to obey an order, set of rules, or request

synonym : follow, abide by, adhere to

(1) **comply** with a code, (2) fully **comply** with all laws
The public schools **comply** with federal standards.

quitter

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

synonym: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

necessarily

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

synonym: inevitable, certainly, automatically

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

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

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.

encounter

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

synonym: meet, run into, come across

(1) **encounter** a crisis, (2) **encounter** a storm

I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

firm

adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

synonym: stable, secure, steadfast

(1) **firm** grip, (2) accounting **firm**

The **firm** deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

embedded

adj. fixed firmly into the surface of something

synonym: ingrained, implanted, inserted

(1) **embedded** systems, (2) LED- **embedded** glass

The **embedded** chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.

outcome

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

synonym: result, consequence, effect

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

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

bravado

n. a bold, swaggering display of courage or confidence that is intended to impress or intimidate people, often in a way that is exaggerated or insincere

synonym: boldness, swagger, arrogance

(1) lose my **bravado**, (2) heroic **bravado**

The show of **bravado** by the bully only served to mask his insecurity and fear.

brim

n. the top edge of a cup, bowl, or other containers; a circular projecting edge at the bottom of a hat

synonym: beak, edge, bound

(1) the **brim** of a hat, (2) the pelvic **brim**

The glass was filled to the **brim** with beer.

confident

adj. feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future

synonym: certain, sure, convinced

(1) feel **confident**, (2) a **confident** remark

I'm not **confident** in our victory.

limb

n. an arm and leg of a person or animal

synonym: arm, appendage, branch

(1) a prosthetic **limb**, (2) **limb** amputation

You should wrap the bandage carefully and firmly around the injured **limb**.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

confidence

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

synonym: self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

thrill

n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

synonym: exhilaration, delight, rush

(1) the **thrill** of speed, (2) incredible **thrill**

Skydiving is an overwhelming **thrill** for many people.

celebrated

adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes

synonym: acclaimed, notable, prominent

(1) **celebrated** artist, (2) **celebrated** paper

Three **celebrated** tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

fancy

v. to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy

synonym: imagine, visualize, (noun) fantasy

(1) **fancy** a cup of coffee, (2) a flight of **fancy**

I don't **fancy** acting in such an important role.

champagne

n. a type of sparkling wine produced in the Champagne region of France, or any similar wine produced elsewhere

synonym: sparkling wine, prosecco, cava

(1) **champagne** toast, (2) **champagne** celebration

They opened a bottle of **champagne** to celebrate their success.

nodule

n. a small lump or mass that protrudes from a larger surface, often found on the skin or in the body's tissues

synonym: bump, swelling, knot

(1) thyroid **nodule**, (2) renal **nodule**

During a routine check-up, the doctor discovered a **nodule** in the patient's lung.

junction

n. a critical point or moment in time, often indicating a key decision or turning point; a place or point of connection, such as a joint or seam

synonym: turning point, crossroads, crisis

(1) the **junction** of Eastern and Western cultures,

(2) decisive **junction**

At this **junction** in the project, we must reassess our plans and make some changes.

fascinate

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

synonym: captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

embarrass

v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

synonym: disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project

He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

overconfidence

n. excessive trust or faith in one's abilities, judgments, or decisions, often leading to mistaken assumptions or risky behavior

synonym : overestimation, hubris, arrogance

(1) **overconfidence** bias, (2) false **overconfidence**

The student's **overconfidence** in their writing abilities caused them not to bother to proofread their essay, resulting in a poor grades.

invasive

adj. spreading very quickly, and often aggressively, and difficult to stop

synonym : aggressive, rampant, spreading

(1) **invasive** breast cancer, (2) **invasive** species

The **invasive** disease can spread quickly and potentially cause a global pandemic.

afterward

adv. after the time mentioned

synonym : later, thereafter, following

(1) a few years **afterward**, (2) go there **afterward**

We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem **afterward**.

rid

v. to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

synonym : do away with, free, clear

(1) get **rid** of the rats, (2) **rid** the body of waste products

We must **rid** ourselves of pollution.

guarantee

v. to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met

synonym : assure, promise, warrant

(1) **guarantee** a high quality, (2) **guarantee** women equality

We cannot **guarantee** enough raw material sources.

crack

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

which it has separated without breaking

synonym: snap, burst, break

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

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

encourage

v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

synonym: facilitate, persuade, stimulate

(1) **encourage** a sense of affinity, (2) **encourage** antisocial behavior

They **encouraged** customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

Session 2: Spelling

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|--------------------------------|--|
| 1. pop_____on change | <i>n.</i> the total number of people in a country, region, or location |
| 2. co_____e a vision | <i>v.</i> to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination |
| 3. expansion of the un_____se | <i>n.</i> everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy |
| 4. cel_____ed paper | <i>adj.</i> renowned for possessing admirable attributes |
| 5. the advice of the ph_____an | <i>n.</i> a medical doctor who practices medicine |
| 6. a binocular te_____pe | <i>n.</i> a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects |
| 7. easy qu_____r | <i>n.</i> a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started |
| 8. a ra____m choice | <i>adj.</i> made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern |
| 9. fa_____te the public | <i>v.</i> to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly |
| 10. te_____al disease | <i>n.</i> a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route |

ANSWERS: 1. population, 2. conjure, 3. universe, 4. celebrated, 5. physician, 6. telescope, 7. quitter, 8. random, 9. fascinate, 10. terminal

11. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
12. have pro_____ic arms *adj.* of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant
13. have ge_____c testing *adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
14. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
15. em_____ss political enemy *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
16. 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
17. 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
18. pr_____te surgery *n.* a small gland located near the bladder (= an organ located in the lower abdomen) in males that produces fluid that becomes part of semen
19. serial qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

ANSWERS: 11. absolutely, 12. prosthetic, 13. genetic, 14. assume, 15. embarrass, 16. planet, 17. process, 18. prostate, 19. quitter

20. 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
21. Ne_____an mechanics *adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
22. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
23. sy___l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
24. fa__y a cup of coffee *v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
25. the th___l of speed *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
26. obs_____on instrument *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
27. di_____e prevention *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

ANSWERS: 20. process, 21. Newtonian, 22. rev, 23. symbol, 24. fancy, 25. thrill, 26. observation, 27. disease

28. tra_____ble through contact *adj.* of or connected with something, such as a disease or trait, able to be passed or transmitted from one person or organism to another
29. the professor of su_____y *n.* medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures
30. do l__g transplantation *n.* either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing
31. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
32. gu_____ee women equality *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
33. as___p at the wheel *adj.* in a state of sleep
34. incredible th___l *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
35. share kn_____ow *n.* practical knowledge, skills, or experience in a particular field or area, often acquired through personal experience or training

ANSWERS: 28. transmissible, 29. surgery, 30. lung, 31. opportune, 32. guarantee, 33. asleep, 34. thrill, 35. know-how

36. ca___r research *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
37. de___e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
38. its_____sy detail *adj.* very small or tiny
39. bi___p's sermon on forgiveness *n.* a high-ranking member of the Christian clergy who holds spiritual and administrative authority over a geographic region or diocese; a chess piece that moves diagonally and is marked with a symbol resembling a bishop's hat
40. its_____sy spider *adj.* very small or tiny
41. cel_____ed artist *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
42. labor pop_____on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
43. pr_____ol breach *n.* a set of rules or procedures for transmitting data or conducting a process or activity, especially in computer networks or scientific experiments; the initial or original version of an agreement
44. me_____al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
45. heir ap_____nt *adj.* able to see or understand easily or clearly

ANSWERS: 36. cancer, 37. define, 38. itsy-bitsy, 39. bishop, 40. itsy-bitsy, 41. celebrated, 42. population, 43. protocol, 44. medicinal, 45. apparent

46. traditional me_____al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
47. mechanical do_____ey *n.* an unspecified object, typically something small or unfamiliar in the name; a colloquial or slang term for a gadget, device, or widget
48. col_____ion between companies *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
49. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
50. su_____ss a yawn *v.* to bring something under control by force or authority; to put an end by force
51. en_____er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
52. an excellent brain su_____n *n.* a doctor who is trained to perform medical operations that involve cutting open a person's body
53. mi_____ht shift *n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day
54. tu__r at remote sites *n.* a mass of diseased tissue that forms when cells in the body divide and grow in an uncontrolled way
55. f__m grip *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

ANSWERS: 46. medicinal, 47. doohickey, 48. collaboration, 49. relation, 50. suppress, 51. encounter, 52. surgeon, 53. midnight, 54. tumor, 55. firm

56. ob___s over her weight *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
57. an unc_____ble silence *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
58. thyroid no___e *n.* a small lump or mass that protrudes from a larger surface, often found on the skin or in the body's tissues
59. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
60. 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
61. de_____le effect *adj.* worth having or achieving; pleasing, attractive, or sought after
62. g___e absently out a window *v.* to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
63. lose my br_____o *n.* a bold, swaggering display of courage or confidence that is intended to impress or intimidate people, often in a way that is exaggerated or insincere
64. fl___h eating *n.* the soft substance composing the body of a person or animal, as opposed to bones and other structures
65. a cr___k in a board *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

ANSWERS: 56. obsess, 57. uncomfortable, 58. nodule, 59. distribute, 60. curve, 61. desirable, 62. gaze, 63. bravado, 64. flesh, 65. crack

66. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
67. a civil en_____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
68. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
69. a di_____se about art *n.* any form of communication in speech or writing
70. em_____ss my project *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
71. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
72. adv_____nt of knowledge *n.* the development, improvement, or progress of something
73. me_____ze musical scores *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
74. accounting f__m *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
75. in_____ve species *adj.* spreading very quickly, and often aggressively, and difficult to stop
76. a hu_____e cottage *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
77. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 66. opportune, 67. engineer, 68. absolutely, 69. discourse, 70. embarrass, 71. colleague, 72. advancement, 73. memorize, 74. firm, 75. invasive, 76. humble, 77. discovery

78. di_____ct from each other *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
79. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
80. maximum tra_____ble data size *adj.* of or connected with something, such as a disease or trait, able to be passed or transmitted from one person or organism to another
81. soft tissue sa_____a *n.* a type of cancer that originates from connective tissues such as bones, muscles, blood vessels, or cartilage, which occurs in various parts of the body and are characterized by the abnormal growth of malignant cells
82. ins_____ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
83. on_____gy center *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the study and treatment of tumors, especially malignancies
84. ex_____d a line *v.* to broaden in scope, range, or area
85. di_____d old beliefs *v.* to throw something away or get rid of something that you no longer wanted or need
86. nec_____ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
87. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

ANSWERS: 78. distinct, 79. relation, 80. transmissible, 81. sarcoma, 82. institutionalize, 83. oncology, 84. extend, 85. discard, 86. necessarily, 87. communicate

88. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
89. kn_____ow transfer *n.* practical knowledge, skills, or experience in a particular field or area, often acquired through personal experience or training
90. bi___p hat *n.* a high-ranking member of the Christian clergy who holds spiritual and administrative authority over a geographic region or diocese; a chess piece that moves diagonally and is marked with a symbol resembling a bishop's hat
91. fla_____ht batteries *n.* a portable electric light with a handle and a switch that can be turned on and off
92. look through a te_____pe *n.* a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects
93. cr__k an eggshell *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
94. con_____ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
95. fa_____te the young *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
96. co___y with a code *v.* to obey an order, set of rules, or request

ANSWERS: 88. experiment, 89. know-how, 90. bishop, 91. flashlight, 92. telescope, 93. crack, 94. confidence, 95. fascinate, 96. comply

97. et___s of journalism *n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong
98. in___e domestic tranquility *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
99. co___r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
100. handy do____ey *n.* an unspecified object, typically something small or unfamiliar in the name; a colloquial or slang term for a gadget, device, or widget
101. modern on____gy treatment *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the study and treatment of tumors, especially malignancies
102. cl____al surgery *adj.* of or relating to the examination and treatment of patients rather than theoretical or laboratory studies
103. fr____nt use *adj.* happening constantly
104. su____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
105. feel co____nt *adj.* feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future
106. bl__k paper *adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information

ANSWERS: 97. ethics, 98. insure, 99. confer, 100. doohickey, 101. oncology, 102. clinical, 103. frequent, 104. surround, 105. confident, 106. blank

107. pa_____t with weight loss *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
108. lu_____te the economy *v.* to apply a substance, such as oil or grease, to reduce friction or wear on a surface
109. participate in cl_____al trials *adj.* of or relating to the examination and treatment of patients rather than theoretical or laboratory studies
110. bo_____om meeting *n.* a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets
111. ho_____le smell *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
112. the attraction of gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
113. co____r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
114. br____h office *n.* a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization
115. pair of an__e boots *n.* the part or joint connecting the foot to the leg
116. peace co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

ANSWERS: 107. patient, 108. lubricate, 109. clinical, 110. boardroom, 111. horrible, 112. gravity, 113. confer, 114. branch, 115. ankle, 116. congress

117. the tr__k of the body *n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
118. administrative pr_____on *n.* the act of providing or supplying something; a clause in a document or law that specifies a particular requirement or condition
119. ready-made ph___es *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
120. fr_____nt absence *adj.* happening constantly
121. ho_____le accident *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
122. get r_d of the rats *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
123. che_____apy side effects *n.* the treatment of disease, particularly cancer, using special drugs that have a toxic effect on cancer cells; frequently used in conjunction with other therapies such as surgery and radiation
124. bo___g day *adj.* lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull
125. di_____ct difference *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
126. boundless cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
127. Ne_____an physics *adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
128. l__b amputation *n.* an arm and leg of a person or animal

ANSWERS: 117. trunk, 118. provision, 119. phrase, 120. frequent, 121. horrible, 122. rid, 123. chemotherapy, 124. boring, 125. distinct, 126. curiosity, 127. Newtonian, 128. limb

129. em____ed systems *adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
130. boost my con_____ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
131. en_____ge a sense of affinity *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
132. with an unc_____ble face *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
133. lu_____te the hinges with oil *v.* to apply a substance, such as oil or grease, to reduce friction or wear on a surface
134. di_____d the downloaded data *v.* to throw something away or get rid of something that you no longer wanted or need
135. sy___l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
136. love him non_____ss *adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
137. he is ob___sed with the fear *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
138. in_____ve breast cancer *adj.* spreading very quickly, and often aggressively, and difficult to stop
139. di_____se with CT scans *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis

ANSWERS: 129. embedded, 130. confidence, 131. encourage, 132. uncomfortable, 133. lubricate, 134. discard, 135. symbol, 136. nonetheless, 137. obsess, 138. invasive, 139. diagnose

140. fully co___y with all laws *v.* to obey an order, set of rules, or request
141. bl__k expression *adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
142. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
143. che_____apy regimen *n.* the treatment of disease, particularly cancer, using special drugs that have a toxic effect on cancer cells; frequently used in conjunction with other therapies such as surgery and radiation
144. not nec_____ly a problem *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
145. car me_____ic *n.* a person who repairs or maintains machinery or mechanical systems, particularly in automobiles or other vehicles; a person who is skilled in dealing with the details of a machine or system
146. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
147. a strain of vi___s *n.* a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants
148. try hard to me_____ze the lines *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
149. as___e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 140. comply, 141. blank, 142. conversation, 143. chemotherapy, 144. necessarily, 145. mechanic, 146. climate, 147. virus, 148. memorize, 149. assume

150. bo_____om decision *n.* a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets
151. chronic bo_____m *n.* a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
152. ins_____ize a system *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
153. ove_____nce bias *n.* excessive trust or faith in one's abilities, judgments, or decisions, often leading to mistaken assumptions or risky behavior
154. draft a pr_____ol *n.* a set of rules or procedures for transmitting data or conducting a process or activity, especially in computer networks or scientific experiments; the initial or original version of an agreement
155. re_____se an old building *v.* to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended
156. su_____ss a revolt *v.* to bring something under control by force or authority; to put an end by force
157. take an un_____in attitude *adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
158. develop an attitude of hu_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
159. def_____ve answer *adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed

ANSWERS: 150. boardroom, 151. boredom, 152. institutionalize, 153. overconfidence, 154. protocol, 155. repurpose, 156. suppress, 157. uncertain, 158. humility, 159. definitive

160. di_____e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
161. an international co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
162. aircraft me_____ic *n.* a person who repairs or maintains machinery or mechanical systems, particularly in automobiles or other vehicles; a person who is skilled in dealing with the details of a machine or system
163. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
164. re_____se a used car *v.* to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended
165. nuclear ph_____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
166. army su_____n *n.* a doctor who is trained to perform medical operations that involve cutting open a person's body
167. bombs fell at ra_____m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
168. satisfy my intellectual cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
169. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

ANSWERS: 160. disease, 161. congress, 162. mechanic, 163. colleague, 164. repurpose, 165. physics, 166. surgeon, 167. random, 168. curiosity, 169. recognize

170. I am te_____ly sorry *adv.* very badly; to a great extent or very much
171. the mountain's br____t *n.* either of the two round soft parts of a woman's chest which secrete milk after childbirth
172. noun ph____e *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
173. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
174. gloomy pre_____ons *n.* the act of predicting the future by reasoning; a statement made about the future
175. class obs_____on day *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
176. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
177. osteogenic sa_____a *n.* a type of cancer that originates from connective tissues such as bones, muscles, blood vessels, or cartilage, which occurs in various parts of the body and are characterized by the abnormal growth of malignant cells
178. gr_____ed flask *adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
179. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

ANSWERS: 170. terribly, 171. breast, 172. phrase, 173. climate, 174. prediction, 175. observation, 176. recognize, 177. sarcoma, 178. graduated, 179. individual

180. a prosthetic l__b *n.* an arm and leg of a person or animal
181. 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
182. r_d the body of waste products *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
183. cell and molecular bi____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
184. a br___h pipe *n.* a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization
185. in___e my house against fire *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
186. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
187. become increasingly fr____t *adj.* causing, accompanied by, or full of anxiety, tension, or stress
188. dead as___p *adj.* in a state of sleep
189. sh_____ng balance *adj.* constantly changing or moving
190. 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
191. a scientific di____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 180. limb, 181. planet, 182. rid, 183. biology, 184. branch, 185. insure, 186. silent, 187. fraught, 188. asleep, 189. shifting, 190. curve, 191. discovery

192. the head of a ha_____y
n. an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
193. a ge_____c disorder
adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
194. consult with a ph_____an
n. a medical doctor who practices medicine
195. LED-em_____ed glass
adj. fixed firmly into the surface of something
196. theory of the un_____se
n. everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
197. an__e injury
n. the part or joint connecting the foot to the leg
198. sports g__r
n. a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
199. go there af_____rd
adv. after the time mentioned
200. ap_____nt contradiction
adj. able to see or understand easily or clearly
201. tu__r growth
n. a mass of diseased tissue that forms when cells in the body divide and grow in an uncontrolled way
202. dis_____te video content
v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

ANSWERS: 192. hallway, 193. genetic, 194. physician, 195. embedded, 196. universe, 197. ankle, 198. gear, 199. afterward, 200. apparent, 201. tumor, 202. distribute

203. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
204. si___t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
205. a me_____l opinion *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
206. the b___m of a hat *n.* the top edge of a cup, bowl, or other containers; a circular projecting edge at the bottom of a hat
207. pa_____t in the hospital *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
208. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
209. Jo___n satellites *adj.* relating to Jupiter or its characteristics
210. political et___s *n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong
211. cardiac su_____y *n.* medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

ANSWERS: 203. individual, 204. silent, 205. medical, 206. brim, 207. patient, 208. conversation, 209. Jovian, 210. ethics, 211. surgery

212. preserve my gr____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
213. wax a ha____y floor *n.* an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
214. grow in fl__h *n.* the soft substance composing the body of a person or animal, as opposed to bones and other structures
215. ch____ne toast *n.* a type of sparkling wine produced in the Champagne region of France, or any similar wine produced elsewhere
216. fr____t with danger *adj.* causing, accompanied by, or full of anxiety, tension, or stress
217. mi____ht snack *n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day
218. a desirable ou____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
219. the ju____re of Eastern and Western cultures *n.* a critical point or moment in time, often indicating a key decision or turning point; a place or point of connection, such as a joint or seam
220. a te____al syllable *n.* a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route
221. cancer epi____ogy *n.* the study of the distribution and determinants of health-related states or events, including diseases, in specified populations, and the application of this study to the control of health problems

ANSWERS: 212. gravity, 213. hallway, 214. flesh, 215. champagne, 216. fraught, 217. midnight, 218. outcome, 219. juncture, 220. terminal, 221. epidemiology

222. improved student ou_____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
223. en_____er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
224. laws of ph_____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
225. we are non_____ss confident *adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
226. a def_____ve edition *adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed
227. gu_____ee a high quality *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
228. the pelvic b__m *n.* the top edge of a cup, bowl, or other containers; a circular projecting edge at the bottom of a hat
229. g__e steadily at his face *v.* to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else
230. lack of hu_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
231. series of exp_____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
232. fla_____ht beam *n.* a portable electric light with a handle and a switch that can be turned on and off

ANSWERS: 222. outcome, 223. encounter, 224. physics, 225. nonetheless, 226. definitive, 227. guarantee, 228. brim, 229. gaze, 230. humility, 231. experiment, 232. flashlight

233. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
234. l__g capacity *n.* either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing
235. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
236. bo___g work *adj.* lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull
237. pro_____ic limbs *adj.* of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant
238. hu___e opinion *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
239. co_____e evil spirits away *v.* to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination
240. numerous un_____in factors *adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
241. continuously sh_____ng landscape *adj.* constantly changing or moving
242. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
243. epi_____ogy research *n.* the study of the distribution and determinants of health-related states or events, including diseases, in specified populations, and the application of this study to the control of health problems
244. enlarged pr_____te *n.* a small gland located near the bladder (= an organ located in the lower abdomen) in males that produces fluid that becomes part of semen

ANSWERS: 233. engineer, 234. lung, 235. opposition, 236. boring, 237. prosthetic, 238. humble, 239. conjure, 240. uncertain, 241. shifting, 242. opposition, 243. epidemiology, 244. prostate

245. hold di_____se with him *n.* any form of communication in speech or writing
246. pr_____on for loan losses *n.* the act of providing or supplying something; a clause in a document or law that specifies a particular requirement or condition
247. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
248. Jo___n planet *adj.* relating to Jupiter or its characteristics
249. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
250. a co_____nt remark *adj.* feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future
251. 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
252. cr_____d smile *adj.* not straight or aligned; bent or curved to one side; not honest or fair; characterized by deception, fraud, or wrongdoing; irregular, uneven, or jagged in shape or form
253. ch_____st for evaluating *n.* a list of items, tasks, or points to be considered or acted upon, used as a reminder and to ensure that all necessary steps have been taken
254. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
255. cr_____d line *adj.* not straight or aligned; bent or curved to one side; not honest or fair; characterized by deception, fraud, or wrongdoing; irregular, uneven, or jagged in shape or form

ANSWERS: 245. discourse, 246. provision, 247. norm, 248. Jovian, 249. norm, 250. confident, 251. communicate, 252. crooked, 253. checklist, 254. define, 255. crooked

256. audit ch_____st *n.* a list of items, tasks, or points to be considered or acted upon, used as a reminder and to ensure that all necessary steps have been taken
257. en_____ge antisocial behavior *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
258. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
259. evolutionary bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
260. de_____le result *adj.* worth having or achieving; pleasing, attractive, or sought after
261. suffer te_____ly *adv.* very badly; to a great extent or very much
262. ch_____ne celebration *n.* a type of sparkling wine produced in the Champagne region of France, or any similar wine produced elsewhere
263. a flight of fa__y *v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
264. a stone wall su_____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody

ANSWERS: 256. checklist, 257. encourage, 258. rev, 259. biology, 260. desirable, 261. terribly, 262. champagne, 263. fancy, 264. surround

265. renal no___e *n.* a small lump or mass that protrudes from a larger surface, often found on the skin or in the body's tissues
266. col_____ion platform *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
267. a few years af_____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
268. make my pre_____ons *n.* the act of predicting the future by reasoning; a statement made about the future
269. ca___r diagnosis *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
270. gr_____ed taxation *adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
271. di_____se the problem *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
272. heroic br_____o *n.* a bold, swaggering display of courage or confidence that is intended to impress or intimidate people, often in a way that is exaggerated or insincere
273. bo_____m relief *n.* a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
274. spread of the vi__s *n.* a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants

ANSWERS: 265. nodule, 266. collaboration, 267. afterward, 268. prediction, 269. cancer, 270. graduated, 271. diagnose, 272. bravado, 273. boredom, 274. virus

275. temporary me_____l treatment *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
276. false ove_____nce *n.* excessive trust or faith in one's abilities, judgments, or decisions, often leading to mistaken assumptions or risky behavior
277. the tr__k of the tree *n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
278. decisive ju_____re *n.* a critical point or moment in time, often indicating a key decision or turning point; a place or point of connection, such as a joint or seam
279. a g__r change lever *n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
280. br____t cancer *n.* either of the two round soft parts of a woman's chest which secrete milk after childbirth
281. career adv_____nt *n.* the development, improvement, or progress of something
282. ex____d the warranty *v.* to broaden in scope, range, or area

ANSWERS: 275. medical, 276. overconfidence, 277. trunk, 278. juncture, 279. gear, 280. breast, 281. advancement, 282. extend

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the _____ code.
adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
2. The _____ of influenza has been well studied over the years, leading to the development of effective vaccines and treatment strategies.
n. the study of the distribution and determinants of health-related states or events, including diseases, in specified populations, and the application of this study to the control of health problems
3. You should wrap the bandage carefully and firmly around the injured _____.
n. an arm and leg of a person or animal
4. His heartaches are less _____ now.
adj. happening constantly
5. The _____ moon Europa is believed to have an ocean beneath its icy surface.
adj. relating to Jupiter or its characteristics
6. I found this little _____ in the garage, but I have no idea what it's used for.
n. an unspecified object, typically something small or unfamiliar in the name; a colloquial or slang term for a gadget, device, or widget
7. His estate was _____ to his sons.
v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
8. The _____ of the fruit is sweet and juicy.
n. the soft substance composing the body of a person or animal, as opposed to bones and other structures

ANSWERS: 1. genetic, 2. epidemiology, 3. limb, 4. frequent, 5. Jovian, 6. doohickey, 7. distributed, 8. flesh

9. Her research team made an important _____.
- n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
10. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
- n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
11. He looked for an opportunity to _____ that actor in public.
- v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
12. 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
13. An infected person in the hospital will likely pass the _____ to others.
- n.* a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants
14. He was labeled as a _____ after he abandoned the project halfway.
- n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
15. It is essential to keep these two issues _____.
- adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
16. The _____ palace was located near the cathedral.
- n.* a high-ranking member of the Christian clergy who holds spiritual and administrative authority over a geographic region or diocese; a chess piece that moves diagonally and is marked with a symbol resembling a bishop's hat

ANSWERS: 9. discovery, 10. norms, 11. embarrass, 12. definitive, 13. virus, 14. quitter, 15. distinct, 16. bishop's

17. The new policy aims to _____ the use of renewable energy sources.
- v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
18. My uncle is starting a new chemotherapy regimen for his bone _____ this week.
- n.* a type of cancer that originates from connective tissues such as bones, muscles, blood vessels, or cartilage, which occurs in various parts of the body and are characterized by the abnormal growth of malignant cells
19. His abusive words made me _____.
- adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
20. His arm was swollen and _____ red.
- adv.* very badly; to a great extent or very much
21. He that would eat the kernel must _____ the nut.
- v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
22. The student's _____ in their writing abilities caused them not to bother to proofread their essay, resulting in a poor grades.
- n.* excessive trust or faith in one's abilities, judgments, or decisions, often leading to mistaken assumptions or risky behavior
23. In the hospital, she will remain under constant _____.
- n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
24. 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

ANSWERS: 17. institutionalize, 18. sarcoma, 19. uncomfortable, 20. terribly, 21. crack, 22. overconfidence, 23. observation, 24. individual,

25. He studied the _____ of radiation.

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

26. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

27. This facility has the largest astronomical _____ in the country.

n. a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects

28. The experience was _____ and left a lasting impression.

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

29. The nobler, the more _____.

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

30. He had undergone heart _____ years before.

n. medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

31. He's utterly _____ with his promotion.

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

32. The magician _____ up a rabbit out of thin air.

v. to call forth by magic; to create or bring about through the imagination

33. Three _____ tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes

ANSWERS: 25. physics, 26. conversation, 27. telescope, 28. horrible, 29. humble, 30. surgery, 31. obsessed, 32. conjured, 33. celebrated

34. Lawyers need to _____ even the most minor provisions of the law.
v. to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
35. He is a skilled _____ that has many years of training and experience.
n. a doctor who is trained to perform medical operations that involve cutting open a person's body
36. She checked her _____ before embarking on the hike.
n. a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
37. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.
v. to be all around something or somebody
38. The doctor carefully examined the _____ medical history.
n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
39. They _____ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.
v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
40. During a routine check-up, the doctor discovered a _____ in the patient's lung.
n. a small lump or mass that protrudes from a larger surface, often found on the skin or in the body's tissues
41. At this _____ in the project, we must reassess our plans and make some changes.
n. a critical point or moment in time, often indicating a key decision or turning point; a place or point of connection, such as a joint or seam

ANSWERS: 34. memorize, 35. surgeon, 36. gear, 37. surround, 38. patient's, 39. encouraged, 40. nodule, 41. juncture

42. The partnership program requires a mutual _____ between both agencies.

n. the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

43. He dashed down a _____ to a bathroom.

n. an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open

44. I'm prepared to _____ challenges throughout this adventure.

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

45. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

46. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

47. The mechanic _____ the gears to prevent them from grinding.

v. to apply a substance, such as oil or grease, to reduce friction or wear on a surface

48. The pharmaceutical company unveiled its latest breakthrough drug for the _____ market.

n. the branch of medicine that deals with the study and treatment of tumors, especially malignancies

49. The _____ team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

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

ANSWERS: 42. collaboration, 43. hallway, 44. encounter, 45. absolutely, 46. assumes, 47. lubricated, 48. oncology, 49. medical

50. We bought a Spanish _____ book.

n. a group of words that mean something specific when used together

51. We cannot _____ enough raw material sources.

v. to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met

52. These results muddied the _____.

n. the act of predicting the future by reasoning; a statement made about the future

53. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

54. In just four years, the _____ has doubled.

n. the total number of people in a country, region, or location

55. She visited the local _____ to seek treatment for her persistent headache.

n. a medical doctor who practices medicine

56. The doctor diagnosed him with a rare _____ that had no known cure.

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

57. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.

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

58. Her visit will _____ from Monday to Friday.

v. to broaden in scope, range, or area

ANSWERS: 50. phrase, 51. guarantee, 52. prediction, 53. opposition, 54. population, 55. physician, 56. disease, 57. colleague, 58. extend

59. The disease is highly _____ and can be transmitted through close contact with infected individuals.

adj. of or connected with something, such as a disease or trait, able to be passed or transmitted from one person or organism to another

60. This star is _____ to the naked eye.

adj. able to see or understand easily or clearly

61. The doctor prescribed medication to _____ the patient's appetite.

v. to bring something under control by force or authority; to put an end by force

62. He lay down and fell _____ immediately.

adj. in a state of sleep

63. I stayed up until _____ watching my favorite movie.

n. the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day

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

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

65. The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of _____.

n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

66. The long lecture on a topic I already knew left me struggling to fight off _____.

n. a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation

ANSWERS: 59. transmissible, 60. apparent, 61. suppress, 62. asleep, 63. midnight, 64. Climate, 65. gravity, 66. boredom

67. The lecture was so _____ that many people fell asleep.

adj. lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull

68. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.

adj. without any or little sound

69. They each choose _____ to battle.

adv. in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless

70. They opened a bottle of _____ to celebrate their success.

n. a type of sparkling wine produced in the Champagne region of France, or any similar wine produced elsewhere

71. I must take my car to the _____ to check the brakes.

n. a person who repairs or maintains machinery or mechanical systems, particularly in automobiles or other vehicles; a person who is skilled in dealing with the details of a machine or system

72. He _____ the old torn shirt and bought a new one.

v. to throw something away or get rid of something that you no longer wanted or need

73. I will _____ my car before I go on a road trip.

v. to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage

74. _____ must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

ANSWERS: 67. boring, 68. silent, 69. nonetheless, 70. champagne, 71. mechanic, 72. discarded, 73. insure, 74. Congress

75. Skydiving is an overwhelming _____ for many people.
- n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
76. He used a backup _____ to find his way through the dark cave.
- n.* a portable electric light with a handle and a switch that can be turned on and off
77. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.
- v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
78. Men over the age of 50 are at a higher risk for _____ cancer.
- n.* a small gland located near the bladder (= an organ located in the lower abdomen) in males that produces fluid that becomes part of semen
79. Destructive fungi thrive in moist environments, such as those seen in wounds on the _____.
- n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
80. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in _____ class.
- n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
81. The show of _____ by the bully only served to mask his insecurity and fear.
- n.* a bold, swaggering display of courage or confidence that is intended to impress or intimidate people, often in a way that is exaggerated or insincere
82. The _____ of the tree had fallen and blocked the road.
- n.* a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization

ANSWERS: 75. thrill, 76. flashlight, 77. recognize, 78. prostate, 79. trunk, 80. biology, 81. bravado, 82. branch

83. The _____ is about 13.8 billion years old.
n. everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
84. The _____ at the airport is where passengers catch their flights.
n. a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route
85. The public schools _____ with federal standards.
v. to obey an order, set of rules, or request
86. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud _____.
n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
87. Scientists use powerful microscopes to study _____ particles.
adj. very small or tiny
88. He accidentally sprained his _____ playing squash.
n. the part or joint connecting the foot to the leg
89. The beachfront property had a _____ location with stunning ocean views.
adj. worth having or achieving; pleasing, attractive, or sought after
90. His _____ showed highly positive results.
n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

ANSWERS: 83. universe, 84. terminal, 85. comply, 86. rev, 87. itsy-bitsy, 88. ankle, 89. desirable, 90. experiments

91. The old barn was _____ into a modern event space.
v. to use something again for a different purpose than it was originally intended
92. I made a _____ of things to do before my vacation.
n. a list of items, tasks, or points to be considered or acted upon, used as a reminder and to ensure that all necessary steps have been taken
93. The patient was diagnosed with a _____ in her lung.
n. a mass of diseased tissue that forms when cells in the body divide and grow in an uncontrolled way
94. The motion of planets can be described using _____ mechanics.
adj. relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
95. She was a _____ student of a prestigious university.
adj. having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
96. The company has a strict _____ for handling sensitive information to ensure security.
n. a set of rules or procedures for transmitting data or conducting a process or activity, especially in computer networks or scientific experiments; the initial or original version of an agreement
97. The _____ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.
adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
98. We were filled with _____ at the sight of the Queen.
n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self

ANSWERS: 91. repurposed, 92. checklist, 93. tumor, 94. Newtonian, 95. graduated, 96. protocol, 97. medicinal, 98. humility

99. This device is used to _____ brain cancer and other tumors.
v. to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
100. 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
101. 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
102. We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem _____.
adv. after the time mentioned
103. The _____ chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.
adj. fixed firmly into the surface of something
104. He has terminal _____ cancer.
n. either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing
105. He grilled the _____ meat of a chicken.
n. either of the two round soft parts of a woman's chest which secrete milk after childbirth
106. Her culinary _____ helped her create an impressive menu for the party.
n. practical knowledge, skills, or experience in a particular field or area, often acquired through personal experience or training

ANSWERS: 99. diagnose, 100. curve, 101. process, 102. afterward, 103. embedded, 104. lung, 105. breast, 106. know-how

107. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

108. We must ____ ourselves of pollution.

v. to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

109. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.

v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

110. 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

111. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

112. Many cancer patients undergo _____ as a treatment option.

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

113. This scripture provides the code of _____ for the religion.

n. a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong

114. The ____ deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

ANSWERS: 107. symbol, 108. rid, 109. define, 110. planet, 111. opportune, 112. chemotherapy, 113. ethics, 114. firm

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

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

116. The table leg was _____ causing all the cups to slide to one side.

adj. not straight or aligned; bent or curved to one side; not honest or fair; characterized by deception, fraud, or wrongdoing; irregular, uneven, or jagged in shape or form

117. The new law includes _____ for increased penalties for repeat offenders.

n. the act of providing or supplying something; a clause in a document or law that specifies a particular requirement or condition

118. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.

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

119. She was _____ about her friend's intentions.

adj. not being sure of something; not being able to choose

120. Trends in the fashion industry are so _____ that it is challenging to keep up with them.

adj. constantly changing or moving

121. The negotiations were _____ with challenges and setbacks.

adj. causing, accompanied by, or full of anxiety, tension, or stress

122. The corporate _____ was filled with tense silence as the CEO presented the new plan.

n. a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets

ANSWERS: 115. random, 116. crooked, 117. provisions, 118. outcome, 119. uncertain, 120. shifting, 121. fraught, 122. boardroom

123. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

124. The _____ disease can spread quickly and potentially cause a global pandemic.

adj. spreading very quickly, and often aggressively, and difficult to stop

125. Competition between countries resulted in fast technological _____.

n. the development, improvement, or progress of something

126. I'm not _____ in our victory.

adj. feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future

127. 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

128. Sweet _____ makes short days and nights.

n. any form of communication in speech or writing

129. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

130. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

ANSWERS: 123. confidence, 124. invasive, 125. advancement, 126. confident, 127. communicate, 128. discourse, 129. confer, 130. relations

131. This accident was something that happened _____.

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

132. I don't _____ acting in such an important role.

v. to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy

133. New _____ joints are less prone to metal poisoning.

adj. of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant

134. The glass was filled to the _____ with beer.

n. the top edge of a cup, bowl, or other containers; a circular projecting edge at the bottom of a hat

135. We are motivated by _____ rather than necessity.

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

136. Breast _____ is the most common type of cancer in women.

n. abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

137. The computer screen displayed nothing but a _____ white screen

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

138. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

ANSWERS: 131. necessarily, 132. fancy, 133. prosthetic, 134. brim, 135. curiosity, 136. cancer, 137. blank, 138. engineer

139. She received special _____ training at the hospital.

adj. of or relating to the examination and treatment of patients rather than theoretical or laboratory studies

140. The magic tricks _____ the children.

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

141. The youngster was _____ at by the beast.

v. to stare at something or someone for an extended time, usually out of surprise or adoration, or because you are thinking about something else

ANSWERS: 139. clinical, 140. fascinated, 141. gazed