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Session 1: Word List

bold

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

synonym: brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

decision

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

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

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

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

independence

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

synonym: freedom, liberty, autonomy

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

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

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym : leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

decide

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

synonym : choose, determine, settle

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

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

invest

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

synonym : fund, sponsor, support

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

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

nation

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

synonym : country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

spectrum

n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

synonym : range, scale, spread

(1) a broad **spectrum** of opinion, (2) infrared **spectrum**

This device displayed the speech **spectrum** spectrographically.

protest

n. a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition

synonym : objection, disapproval, challenge

(1) hold a **protest**, (2) a silent **protest**

He left the party in **protest** at its radical political stance.

infrastructure

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

synonym: foundation, framework

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

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

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

synonym: wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

argue

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

synonym: debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

educated

adj. having received a high standard of education

synonym: knowledgeable, erudite, enlightened

(1) **educated** adult, (2) **educated** speech

Excellent speech is a characteristic of an **educated** man.

indebted

adj. owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness

synonym: owing, obligated, beholden

(1) **indebted** to creditors, (2) financially **indebted**
He felt **indebted** to his parents for all the sacrifices they had made for him.

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so
synonym: memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat
The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

crisis

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

synonym: concern, problem, emergency

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

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

quarter

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

synonym: fourth, one-fourth

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

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

commission

n. a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something

synonym: task, duty, authority

(1) **commission** appointed by the government, (2) the **commission** of murder

She gets a **commission** on each contract.

prime

adj. main or most important; basic

synonym: excellent, exceptional, premium

(1) **prime** number, (2) deputy **prime** minister

After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the **prime** suspect.

minister

n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

synonym: bishop, official, ambassador

(1) **Minister** for Education, (2) deputy prime **minister**

The **minister** occasionally preaches at this church.

envoy

n. a person who is sent by one government or organization on a diplomatic mission to represent and negotiate on behalf of their country or organization to another country or organization

synonym: messenger, representative, delegate

(1) cultural **envoy**, (2) diplomatic **envoy**

The president appointed a special **envoy** to mediate the peace talks.

scope

n. the range of one's perceptions, thoughts, or actions, or a subject that

synonym: content, coverage, extent

(1) **scope** of a project, (2) have broad **scope**

The **scope** of human thought is diverse.

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**.

vast

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

synonym: expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

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.

neglect

v. to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone

synonym : delinquency, carelessness, decay

(1) **neglect** to call, (2) **neglect** ethical issues

He **neglected** his health to make the project a success.

amazing

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

synonym : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

invention

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

synonym : creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym : enhance, ameliorate, enrich

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

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

disrespect

n. an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something

synonym : impoliteness, rudeness, insult

(1) mean no **disrespect**, (2) **disrespect** for a customer

His **disrespectful** behavior towards his elders earned him a stern warning from his parents.

primary

adj. first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or

introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle

synonym : chief, main, fundamental

(1) **primary** school, (2) **primary** education

The **primary** cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.

pupil

n. the black circular opening in the center of the iris of the eye, through which light enters the eye; a student in school or university

synonym : iris, eye aperture, student

(1) **pupil** constriction, (2) attentive **pupil**

The **pupil** of your eye dilates in response to different light levels.

percentage

n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

synonym : rate, ratio, portion

(1) the **percentage** of the gold content, (2) a high **percentage**

What is the **percentage** of the consumption tax in the United States?

capita

n. a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone

synonym : head, headcount, person

(1) per **capita** sales, (2) the agricultural yield per **capita**
GDP per **capita** shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.

achieve

v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

synonym : accomplish, attain, reach

(1) **achieve** success, (2) **achieve** milestones

I will work hard to **achieve** my goals and realize my dreams.

introduction

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

synonym: initiation, preamble, prologue

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

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

assess

v. to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something

synonym: estimate, evaluate, consider

(1) **assess** a tax of 10 pounds, (2) **assess** the quality

Our company needs to **assess** the business impact of climate change.

numeracy

n. the ability to understand and work with numbers, particularly in the context of everyday life and practical applications

synonym: numerical ability, math proficiency, math skills

(1) basic **numeracy**, (2) **numeracy** test results

Numeracy skills are important in many industries, including finance and science.

monitor

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

synonym: proctor, check, observe

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

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

develop

v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being

created

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

We must **develop** a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

achievement

n. a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability

synonym: accomplishment, attainment, triumph

(1) student **achievement**, (2) a remarkable **achievement**

This **achievement** has never been formally accepted.

outperform

v. to be or do something compared to others of a similar type

synonym: beat, exceed, surpass

(1) **outperform** other countries, (2) **outperform** the human brain

They consistently **outperformed** other teams in the league.

wealth

n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

synonym: affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

economy

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

synonym: finance, trade, business

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

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

statistics

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

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

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

progression

n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

synonym: advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease

The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

systematic

adj. done or acting according to a determined set of systems or plans:

synonym: periodic, frequent, organized

(1) a **systematic** reformation, (2) **systematic** botany

Science is based on the **systematic** classification of experience.

suppose

v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

synonym: guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand

What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

prioritize

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

synonym: rank, order, arrange

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

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

transformation

n. a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something

synonym: change, conversion, renewal

(1) the **transformation** of a tadpole into a frog, (2) cast a **transformation** spell

Understanding unitary **transformations** of a normal matrix

require considerable mathematical sophistication.

inefficiency

n. the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive

synonym: ineffectiveness, inefficacy, inadequacy

(1) **inefficiency** in the system, (2) bureaucratic **inefficiency**

The company's **inefficiency** in handling customer requests led to many complaints.

devalue

v. to reduce the value or worth of something

synonym: diminish, depreciate, reduce

(1) **devalue** the pound, (2) **devalue** a brand

Her negative comments about the project only **devalued** the team's efforts.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym: administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

improvisation

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

synonym: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

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

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

qualified

adj. officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job

synonym: eligible, skillful, accomplished

(1) a **qualified** doctor, (2) **qualified** in medicine

We seek a person **qualified** for the post.

tertiary

adj. relating to or being the third in a series, rank, or order; of or relating to third-level education or training

synonym : third-level, third-party, subordinate

(1) **tertiary** education, (2) **tertiary** sector

The university offers both undergraduate and graduate programs, as well as a variety of **tertiary** courses.

refugee

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

synonym : emigrant, evacuee, exile

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

The community warmly welcomed the **refugees**.

rural

adj. of or relating to the countryside

synonym : agrarian, country, rustic

(1) **rural** accents, (2) people in **rural** areas

Many **rural** areas are still impoverished.

communal

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

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

fellow

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

synonym : buddy, mate, affiliate

(1) junior **fellow**, (2) nice **fellow**

He is the kind of **fellow** who only works for his success.

attend

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

synonym : go, be present, accompany

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

We must **attend** to this matter.

grade

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

synonym : score, rate, degree

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

jungle

n. an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly

synonym : wilderness, forest

(1) middle of the **jungle**, (2) **jungle** exploration
This village is still in a dense **jungle**.

alternative

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

synonym : choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**
Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

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.

obligation

n. the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something

synonym : burden, commitment, debt

(1) a deep **obligation**, (2) pay an **obligation**
You are under no **obligation** to finish the job.

implement

v. to put a decision, plan, or system into effect

synonym : execute, enforce, put through

(1) **implement** a corporate strategy, (2) **implement** security

measures

The government promised to **implement** a new system to control the financial crisis.

mathematics

n. the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

synonym: arithmetic, calculation, calculus

(1) a good grounding in **mathematics**, (2) **mathematics** competition

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

servant

n. a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant

synonym: attendant, helper, assistant

(1) **servant** of God, (2) fellow **servant**

The faithful **servant** had been working for the family for many years and was well-trusted.

creative

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

synonym: imaginative, innovative, inventive

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

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

entrepreneurship

n. the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one

synonym: self-employment, risk-taking

(1) **entrepreneurship** culture, (2) embody **entrepreneurship**

The government is investing in programs to support **entrepreneurship** and small business development.

livestream

n. a real-time video or audio broadcast of an event, performance, or activity that is encoded and distributed over the Internet, usually through dedicated apps or

websites, allowing distributed viewers to watch it remotely

synonym : webcast, stream, broadcast

(1) **livestream** tutorial, (2) **livestream** concert

We watched the concert **livestream** since we couldn't attend in person.

scatter

v. to cause to separate and go in different directions

synonym : disperse, spread, bestrew

(1) **scatter** seeds, (2) **scatter** around the internet

The hunter's approach **scattered** the geese.

context

n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

synonym : background, setting, environment

(1) historical **context**, (2) legal **context**

It's important to understand the **context** of a situation before making a decision.

division

n. the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector

synonym : branch, separator, section

(1) cellular **division**, (2) **division** chief

Which **division** of the company do you work in?

ward

n. a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care

synonym : room, division, unit

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

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

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.

nurse

n. a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

synonym: healthcare worker, caregiver, medic

(1) **nurse** practitioner, (2) a volunteer **nurse**

The night shift **nurse** checked my vital signs before administering the medication.

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.

assistant

n. someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job

synonym: aide, helper, associate

(1) an unwilling **assistant**, (2) **assistant** professor

An executive **assistant** director administers each branch.

absurd

adj. ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical

synonym: ridiculous, foolish, idiotic

(1) **absurd** storyline, (2) an **absurd** amount of money

We immediately rejected his **absurd** suggestion.

paradigm

n. a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model

synonym: example, standard, epitome

(1) major **paradigm** shift, (2) cultural **paradigm**

He postulated a completely different **paradigm** to explain all these phenomena.

celebrity

n. someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry

synonym : figure, star, VIP

(1) baseball **celebrity**, (2) **celebrity** known worldwide

The popularity of the show made her an instant **celebrity**.

profession

n. an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training

synonym : occupation, vocation, trade

(1) **profession** choice, (2) healthcare **profession**

Being a doctor is considered a highly respected **profession**.

harness

v. to control and exploit the power of something, especially natural resources that produce energy; (noun) a set of narrow pieces of leather and metal that are used to control or hold in place a person, animal, or object

synonym : rein in, control, (noun) belt

(1) **harness** a horse to a carriage, (2) put a **harness** on my pet

People have been exploring ways to **harness** natural forces and resources since ancient times.

bidirectional

adj. capable of functioning or moving in two opposite directions; involving or allowing communication or transmission in two opposite directions

synonym : two-way, reciprocal, dual

(1) **bidirectional** communication, (2) **bidirectional** street

The **bidirectional** flow of information allows for efficient communication between the two departments.

flood

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

synonym : deluge, downpour, overflow

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

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

antenna

n. an electrical device that sends or receives radio or television signals; (biology) one of one or more pairs of appendages used for sensing in insects

synonym : feeler, receiver

(1) **antenna** of insect, (2) extend the TV **antenna**

He had a special **antenna** for public relations

generation

n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

synonym : cohort, age group, era

(1) **generation** gap, (2) the **generation** of electricity

The younger **generation** has different values and beliefs than the older one.

pioneer

n. inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something

synonym : frontiersperson, innovator, trailblazer

(1) act as a **pioneer**, (2) early **pioneers**

John Whitney was a computer animation **pioneer**.

initiative

n. the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need

synonym : enterprise, drive, ambition

(1) a peace **initiative**, (2) take **initiative**

The teacher's **initiative** to start a school garden project was met with enthusiasm from the students.

committed

adj. willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

synonym : devoted, faithful, attached

(1) in a **committed** relationship, (2) strong and **committed** sales staff

Our company is strongly **committed** to meeting customers' needs.

priority

n. something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

synonym: importance, precedence, primacy

(1) **priority** call, (2) **priority** seating for elderly

Her **priority** is to be a mother.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym: alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power

My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

methodology

n. a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something

synonym: procedure, approach, process

(1) **methodology** for optimizing, (2) research **methodology**

We are developing a new **methodology** for assessing marketing measures.

delivery

n. the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth

synonym: sending, transporting, bringing

(1) an easy **delivery**, (2) special **delivery**

The **delivery** truck arrived with the packages.

phase

n. any stage in a series of events, change, or development

synonym: degree, stage, step

(1) enter on the last **phase**, (2) two- **phase** structure

The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial **phase** of history.

association

n. a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship

synonym: affiliation, collaboration, society

(1) word **associations**, (2) a scholarship **association**

His membership in the **association** provided him with numerous benefits.

reform

n. the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem

synonym : change, modify, improve

(1) economic **reform**, (2) **reform** movement

The government is proposing a **reform** to the healthcare system to make it more accessible and affordable for all citizens.

ruthless

adj. lacking in pity or compassion; willing to do whatever it takes to achieve their goals, regardless of the consequences for others

synonym : heartless, pitiless, merciless

(1) show **ruthless** behavior, (2) **ruthless** brutality

The dictator was known for his **ruthless** tactics and had no qualms about using violence to maintain power.

physically

adv. in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

(1) **physically** and mentally, (2) stay **physically** fit

Having a **physically** healthy physique is essential for a great life.

district

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

synonym : territory, dominion, zone

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

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

pilot

n. a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water

synonym : aviator, flyer, chief

(1) a test **pilot**, (2) **pilot** production

The **pilot** exercised great care in landing.

financing

n. the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project

synonym: funding, loan, expenditure

(1) **financing** activity, (2) public **financing**

The investment fund offered **financing** for a company on the brink of bankruptcy.

domestic

adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

synonym: endemic, private, household

(1) **domestic** airline, (2) a **domestic** animal

GDP stands for gross **domestic** product.

backbone

n. the spinal column of a vertebrate; a symbolic representation of strength and resilience

synonym: spine, courage, fortitude

(1) **backbone** of society, (2) **backbone** curve

She showed great **backbone** when standing up for her beliefs in opposition.

straightforward

adj. easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity

synonym: honest, candid, forthright

(1) **straightforward** manner, (2) make a **straightforward** dash

The defendant gave a **straightforward** and accurate description of the accident.

shiny

adj. reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface

synonym: polished, glossy, lustrous

(1) **shiny** surface, (2) **shiny** object

The **shiny** new car drew everyone's attention as it drove by.

commitment

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

synonym : burden, obligation, promise

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

commitments

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

trap

n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

synonym : catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal

The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

profit

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

synonym : earnings, gain, proceeds

(1) gross **profit**, (2) make a **profit**

This business yields little **profit**.

grant

v. to agree to give or allow somebody

synonym : allocate, authorize, give

(1) **grant** a new license, (2) **grant** a land

The chairperson **granted** him the right to speak.

attractive

adj. immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable

synonym : beautiful, fetching, alluring

(1) **attractive** men, (2) **attractive** opportunity

The growth of the "sharing economy" is **attractive** for tech companies.

donor

n. a person or an organization that makes a gift of money, food, supplies, etc. to a cause or fund; in medicine, a person who gives blood or tissue or an organ to be used in another person

synonym : contributor, patron, supporter

(1) a transfusion of **donor** blood, (2) an unnamed **donor**
His body rejected the liver of the **donor**.

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

synonym : banking, investment, fund

(1) **finance** act, (2) manage my **finances**

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in **finance**.

facility

n. a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

synonym : building, structure, installation

(1) a cell phone with an internet **facility**, (2) **facility** design

This company has an entire recycling **facility**, including major reprocessing plants.

subsidize

v. to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially

synonym : finance, endow, sponsor

(1) **subsidize** the project, (2) **subsidize** the cost

Governments **subsidize** renewable energy generation in various ways.

eliminate

v. to remove or get rid of someone or something

synonym : wipe out, destroy, eradicate

(1) **eliminate** contestants, (2) **eliminate** sexual barriers

We can **eliminate** this possibility from those consumptions.

commit

v. to do something illegal or wrong

synonym : engage, carry out, execute

(1) **commit** suicide, (2) **commit** mistakes

The military has **committed** an abuse of human rights.

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.

agenda

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

synonym : program, schedule, list

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

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

transition

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

synonym : change, growth, shift

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

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

democracy

n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

synonym : self-government, republic, commonwealth

(1) **democracy** advocate, (2) principles of **democracy**

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

emerge

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

synonym : arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty

During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

struggle

v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

synonym : toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. su_____e you're right | <i>v.</i> to think that something is likely to be actual or possible |
| 2. the gen_____on of electricity | <i>n.</i> all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity |
| 3. people in ru__l areas | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to the countryside |
| 4. pri_____ze people over cars | <i>v.</i> to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things |
| 5. fa_____ty design | <i>n.</i> a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry |
| 6. global re_____e crisis | <i>n.</i> a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war |
| 7. fi_____ng activity | <i>n.</i> the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project |
| 8. co____t mistakes | <i>v.</i> to do something illegal or wrong |
| 9. met_____gy for optimizing | <i>n.</i> a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something |
| 10. dis_____ct for a customer | <i>n.</i> an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something |

ANSWERS: 1. suppose, 2. generation, 3. rural, 4. prioritize, 5. facility, 6. refugee, 7. financing, 8. commit, 9. methodology, 10. disrespect

11. ac____e success *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
12. barren of cr____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
13. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
14. a cell phone with an internet fa____ty *n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
15. el____fy the audience *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
16. a remarkable ach____nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
17. pro____on of disease *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
18. pr____y school *adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
19. pu__l constriction *n.* the black circular opening in the center of the iris of the eye, through which light enters the eye; a student in school or university

ANSWERS: 11. achieve, 12. creative, 13. communal, 14. facility, 15. electrify, 16. achievement, 17. progression, 18. primary, 19. pupil

20. com_____on appointed by the government
n. a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something
21. urban di_____cts
n. a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
22. in a co_____ed relationship
adj. willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
23. phy_____ly and mentally
adv. in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
24. infrared sp_____um
n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
25. ed_____ed adult
adj. having received a high standard of education
26. pr_____ty seating for elderly
n. something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
27. special de_____ry
n. the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth
28. diplomatic en____y
n. a person who is sent by one government or organization on a diplomatic mission to represent and negotiate on behalf of their country or organization to another country or organization
29. el_____te sexual barriers
v. to remove or get rid of someone or something

ANSWERS: 20. commission, 21. district, 22. committed, 23. physically, 24. spectrum, 25. educated, 26. priority, 27. delivery, 28. envoy, 29. eliminate

30. gu_____ee women equality *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
31. stay phy_____ly fit *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
32. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
33. fi_____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
34. str_____ard manner *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
35. research met_____gy *n.* a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
36. meet his com_____nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
37. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
38. mat_____cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

ANSWERS: 30. guarantee, 31. physically, 32. creative, 33. finance, 34. straightforward, 35. methodology, 36. commitment, 37. economy, 38. mathematics

39. liv_____am tutorial *n.* a real-time video or audio broadcast of an event, performance, or activity that is encoded and distributed over the Internet, usually through dedicated apps or websites, allowing distributed viewers to watch it remotely
40. an alt_____ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
41. a children's w__d *n.* a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care
42. in_____ed to creditors *adj.* owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness
43. cast a tra_____ion spell *n.* a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
44. an ab___d amount of money *adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical
45. pr_____ty call *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
46. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
47. Mi_____er for Education *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
48. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 39. livestream, 40. alternative, 41. ward, 42. indebted, 43. transformation, 44. absurd, 45. priority, 46. context, 47. minister, 48. president

49. an easy de_____ry *n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth
50. fellow se_____t *n.* a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant
51. a silent pr_____t *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
52. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
53. make a str_____ard dash *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
54. per ca___a sales *n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
55. gr__t a new license *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
56. in___t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
57. baseball ce_____ty *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
58. im_____nt a corporate strategy *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
59. a transfusion of do__r blood *n.* a person or an organization that makes a gift of money, food, supplies, etc. to a cause or fund; in medicine, a person who gives blood or tissue or an organ to be used in another person

ANSWERS: 49. delivery, 50. servant, 51. protest, 52. transform, 53. straightforward, 54. capita, 55. grant, 56. invest, 57. celebrity, 58. implement, 59. donor

60. material we___h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
61. ac_____e milestones *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
62. financial cr___s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
63. financial ind_____nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
64. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
65. 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
66. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
67. a good grounding in mat_____cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
68. re___m movement *n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem

ANSWERS: 60. wealth, 61. achieve, 62. crisis, 63. independence, 64. improvisation, 65. recognize, 66. vast, 67. mathematics, 68. reform

69. the re_____e camp *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
70. student ach_____nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
71. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
72. sys_____ic botany *adj.* done or acting according to a determined set of systems or plans:
73. two-ph__e structure *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
74. put a ha_____s on my pet *v.* to control and exploit the power of something, especially natural resources that produce energy; (noun) a set of narrow pieces of leather and metal that are used to control or hold in place a person, animal, or object
75. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
76. liv_____am concert *n.* a real-time video or audio broadcast of an event, performance, or activity that is encoded and distributed over the Internet, usually through dedicated apps or websites, allowing distributed viewers to watch it remotely

ANSWERS: 69. refugee, 70. achievement, 71. introduction, 72. systematic, 73. phase, 74. harness, 75. nation, 76. livestream

77. im____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
78. ba____ne curve *n.* the spinal column of a vertebrate; a symbolic representation of strength and resilience
79. de____e a brand *v.* to reduce the value or worth of something
80. deputy prime mi____er *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
81. de____e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
82. gross pr____t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
83. sc____r around the internet *v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
84. word ass______ons *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
85. an unwilling as____nt *n.* someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job
86. em____e from poverty *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
87. nu__e practitioner *n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

ANSWERS: 77. improve, 78. backbone, 79. devalue, 80. minister, 81. decide, 82. profit, 83. scatter, 84. association, 85. assistant, 86. emerge, 87. nurse

88. bid_____nal street *adj.* capable of functioning or moving in two opposite directions; involving or allowing communication or transmission in two opposite directions
89. as___s the quality *v.* to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something
90. att_____ve opportunity *adj.* immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
91. the per_____ge of the gold content *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
92. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
93. st_____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
94. el_____te contestants *v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something
95. ru___l accents *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
96. cultural en___y *n.* a person who is sent by one government or organization on a diplomatic mission to represent and negotiate on behalf of their country or organization to another country or organization

ANSWERS: 88. bidirectional, 89. assess, 90. attractive, 91. percentage, 92. economy, 93. struggle, 94. eliminate, 95. rural, 96. envoy

97. take ini_____ve *n.* the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need
98. ha_____s a horse to a carriage *v.* to control and exploit the power of something, especially natural resources that produce energy; (noun) a set of narrow pieces of leather and metal that are used to control or hold in place a person, animal, or object
99. 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
100. early pi_____rs *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
101. end of the first qu_____r *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
102. sh__y surface *adj.* reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface
103. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
104. a scholarship ass_____on *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
105. manage my fi_____es *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

ANSWERS: 97. initiative, 98. harness, 99. discovery, 100. pioneer, 101. quarter, 102. shiny, 103. government, 104. association, 105. finance

106. as_____nt professor *n.* someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job
107. a me_____l opinion *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
108. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
109. gen_____on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
110. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
111. give si____t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
112. ne_____t to call *v.* to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone
113. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
114. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 106. assistant, 107. medical, 108. develop, 109. generation, 110. introduction, 111. silent, 112. neglect, 113. democracy, 114. statistics

115. su_____ze the cost *v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially
116. strong and co_____ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
117. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
118. healthcare pro_____on *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
119. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
120. temporary me_____l treatment *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
121. cr_____s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
122. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
123. in_____t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

ANSWERS: 115. subsidize, 116. committed, 117. develop, 118. profession, 119. context, 120. medical, 121. crisis, 122. invention, 123. invest

124. the agricultural yield per ca___a *n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
125. pr__e number *adj.* main or most important; basic
126. gr__t a land *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
127. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
128. a deep obl_____on *n.* the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
129. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
130. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
131. hi_____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
132. sc__e of a project *n.* the range of one's perceptions, thoughts, or actions, or a subject that
133. fl__d advisory *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
134. mo_____r the data carefully *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
135. there is no other alt_____ve *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice

ANSWERS: 124. capita, 125. prime, 126. grant, 127. argue, 128. obligation, 129. grade, 130. suppose, 131. historic, 132. scope, 133. flood, 134. monitor, 135. alternative

136. a peace ini_____ve *n.* the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need
137. sh__y object *adj.* reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface
138. im_____nt security measures *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
139. a test pi__t *n.* a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water
140. hold a pr_____t *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
141. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
142. pri_____ze tasks *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
143. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
144. 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
145. out_____rm other countries *v.* to be or do something compared to others of a similar type

ANSWERS: 136. initiative, 137. shiny, 138. implement, 139. pilot, 140. protest, 141. electrify, 142. prioritize, 143. decision, 144. patient, 145. outperform

146. 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
147. attentive pu__l *n.* the black circular opening in the center of the iris of the eye, through which light enters the eye; a student in school or university
148. school di_____cts *n.* a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
149. ju___e exploration *n.* an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly
150. a do_____ic animal *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
151. se_____t of God *n.* a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant
152. ba_____ne of society *n.* the spinal column of a vertebrate; a symbolic representation of strength and resilience
153. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
154. tra_____on phase *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
155. at___d service *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
156. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 146. recognize, 147. pupil, 148. district, 149. jungle, 150. domestic, 151. servant, 152. backbone, 153. grade, 154. transition, 155. attend, 156. amazing

157. ru____ss brutality *adj.* lacking in pity or compassion; willing to do whatever it takes to achieve their goals, regardless of the consequences for others
158. att____ve men *adj.* immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
159. em___e as a butterfly *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
160. t__p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
161. a fl__d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
162. junior fe___w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
163. qu____ed in medicine *adj.* officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job
164. di____on chief *n.* the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector
165. te____ry sector *adj.* relating to or being the third in a series, rank, or order; of or relating to third-level education or training

ANSWERS: 157. ruthless, 158. attractive, 159. emerge, 160. trap, 161. flood, 162. fellow, 163. qualified, 164. division, 165. tertiary

166. ent_____hip culture *n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one
167. ed_____ed speech *adj.* having received a high standard of education
168. pi__t production *n.* a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water
169. enter on the last ph__e *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
170. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
171. financially in_____ed *adj.* owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness
172. a qu_____ed doctor *adj.* officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job
173. ar__e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
174. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
175. major pa_____gm shift *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model

ANSWERS: 166. entrepreneurship, 167. educated, 168. pilot, 169. phase, 170. transform, 171. indebted, 172. qualified, 173. argue, 174. democracy, 175. paradigm

176. pro_____on choice *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
177. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
178. de_____e the pound *v.* to reduce the value or worth of something
179. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
180. te_____ry education *adj.* relating to or being the third in a series, rank, or order; of or relating to third-level education or training
181. basic nu_____cy *n.* the ability to understand and work with numbers, particularly in the context of everyday life and practical applications
182. a com_____nt to an alliance *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
183. nice fe_____w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
184. inf_____ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
185. extend the TV an_____a *n.* an electrical device that sends or receives radio or television signals; (biology) one of one or more pairs of appendages used for sensing in insects
186. a broad sp_____um of opinion *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

ANSWERS: 176. profession, 177. government, 178. devalue, 179. communal, 180. tertiary, 181. numeracy, 182. commitment, 183. fellow, 184. infrastructure, 185. antenna, 186. spectrum

187. 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
188. nu____cy test results *n.* the ability to understand and work with numbers, particularly in the context of everyday life and practical applications
189. do____ic airline *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
190. cultural pa____gm *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
191. co____t suicide *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
192. mean no dis____ct *n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
193. out____rm the human brain *v.* to be or do something compared to others of a similar type
194. cellular di____on *n.* the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector
195. embody ent____hip *n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one
196. big, b__d piano sounds *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
197. common in____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 187. patient, 188. numeracy, 189. domestic, 190. paradigm, 191. commit, 192. disrespect, 193. outperform, 194. division, 195. entrepreneurship, 196. bold, 197. invention

198. si___t reading	<i>adj.</i> without any or little sound
199. ag___a setting	<i>n.</i> a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
200. make a pr___t	<i>n.</i> money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
201. w___d nurse	<i>n.</i> a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care
202. show ru_____ss behavior	<i>adj.</i> lacking in pity or compassion; willing to do whatever it takes to achieve their goals, regardless of the consequences for others
203. ensure a smooth tra_____on	<i>n.</i> the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
204. sta_____cs for cancer	<i>n.</i> the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
205. sc_____r seeds	<i>v.</i> to cause to separate and go in different directions
206. an_____a of insect	<i>n.</i> an electrical device that sends or receives radio or television signals; (biology) one of one or more pairs of appendages used for sensing in insects
207. the com_____on of murder	<i>n.</i> a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something
208. im_____e a process	<i>v.</i> to make or become better

ANSWERS: 198. silent, 199. agenda, 200. profit, 201. ward, 202. ruthless, 203. transition, 204. statistics, 205. scatter, 206. antenna, 207. commission, 208. improve

209. at___d a meeting	<i>v.</i>	to be present at an event, to go to a place
210. bureaucratic ine_____ncy	<i>n.</i>	the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive
211. mo_____r an exam	<i>v.</i>	to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
212. achieve the hi_____ic feat	<i>adj.</i>	famous or significant in history, or potentially so
213. act as a pi_____r	<i>n.</i>	inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
214. ce_____ty known worldwide	<i>n.</i>	someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
215. na___n-state	<i>n.</i>	a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
216. vice-pr_____nt for finance	<i>n.</i>	the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
217. bid_____nal communication	<i>adj.</i>	capable of functioning or moving in two opposite directions; involving or allowing communication or transmission in two opposite directions
218. ab___d storyline	<i>adj.</i>	ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical
219. ind_____nce ceremony	<i>n.</i>	freedom from another's or others' control or influence

ANSWERS: 209. attend, 210. inefficiency, 211. monitor, 212. historic, 213. pioneer, 214. celebrity, 215. nation, 216. president, 217. bidirectional, 218. absurd, 219. independence

220. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
221. as___s a tax of 10 pounds *v.* to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something
222. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
223. a qu_____r mile *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
224. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
225. the tra_____ion of a tadpole into a frog *n.* a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
226. ine_____ncy in the system *n.* the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive
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. set a t__p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
229. a high per_____ge *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

ANSWERS: 220. vast, 221. assess, 222. improvisation, 223. quarter, 224. decide, 225. transformation, 226. inefficiency, 227. guarantee, 228. trap, 229. percentage

230. st____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
231. ambitious ag____a *n.* a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
232. 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
233. a b__d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
234. an unnamed do__r *n.* a person or an organization that makes a gift of money, food, supplies, etc. to a cause or fund; in medicine, a person who gives blood or tissue or an organ to be used in another person
235. economic re____m *n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem
236. pr____y education *adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
237. pro____on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
238. ne____t ethical issues *v.* to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone

ANSWERS: 230. struggle, 231. agenda, 232. discovery, 233. bold, 234. donor, 235. reform, 236. primary, 237. progression, 238. neglect

239. IT inf_____ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
240. public fi_____ng *n.* the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project
241. majority of his we___h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
242. have broad sc___e *n.* the range of one's perceptions, thoughts, or actions, or a subject that
243. deputy pr___e minister *adj.* main or most important; basic
244. a volunteer nu___e *n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury
245. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
246. pay an obl_____on *n.* the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
247. a sys_____ic reformation *adj.* done or acting according to a determined set of systems or plans:
248. su_____ze the project *v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially

ANSWERS: 239. infrastructure, 240. financing, 241. wealth, 242. scope, 243. prime, 244. nurse, 245. decision, 246. obligation, 247. systematic, 248. subsidize

249. middle of the ju___e

n. an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly

250. the most am____g feeling

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

ANSWERS: 249. jungle, 250. amazing

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.
v. to make or become better
2. _____ skills are important in many industries, including finance and science.
n. the ability to understand and work with numbers, particularly in the context of everyday life and practical applications
3. This _____ has never been formally accepted.
n. a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
4. After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the _____ suspect.
adj. main or most important; basic
5. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.
n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
6. Being a doctor is considered a highly respected _____.
n. an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
7. He could not _____ against temptation.
v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
8. 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

ANSWERS: 1. improve, 2. Numeracy, 3. achievement, 4. prime, 5. improvisation, 6. profession, 7. struggle, 8. recognize

9. 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
10. This device displayed the speech _____ spectrographically.
- n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
11. The company has made great strides in its _____ toward sustainability.
- n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
12. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.
- n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
13. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
- n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
14. The government promised to _____ a new system to control the financial crisis.
- v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
15. Having a _____ healthy physique is essential for a great life.
- adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
16. The hunter's approach _____ the geese.
- v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
17. People have been exploring ways to _____ natural forces and resources since ancient times.
- v.* to control and exploit the power of something, especially natural resources that produce energy; (noun) a set of narrow pieces of leather and metal that are used to control or hold in place a person, animal, or object

ANSWERS: 9. guarantee, 10. spectrum, 11. progression, 12. infrastructure, 13. decision, 14. implement, 15. physically, 16. scattered, 17. harness

18. The _____ of human thought is diverse.
n. the range of one's perceptions, thoughts, or actions, or a subject that
19. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.
n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
20. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.
adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
21. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.
n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
22. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
23. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.
v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
24. The government is investing in programs to support _____ and small business development.
n. the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one
25. This business yields little _____.
n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

ANSWERS: 18. scope, 19. introduction, 20. vast, 21. Democracy, 22. context, 23. invest, 24. entrepreneurship, 25. profit

26. The _____ flow of information allows for efficient communication between the two departments.
- adj.* capable of functioning or moving in two opposite directions; involving or allowing communication or transmission in two opposite directions
27. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns _____.
- v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
28. The community warmly welcomed the _____.
- n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
29. The club _____ does not have absolute power.
- n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
30. This company has an entire recycling _____ including major reprocessing plants.
- n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
31. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
32. They used a special receiver to _____ police radio channels.
- v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

ANSWERS: 26. bidirectional, 27. emerged, 28. refugees, 29. president, 30. facility, 31. crisis, 32. monitor

33. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.
- adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
34. The enemy fell right into the _____.
- n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
35. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
36. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.
- n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
37. My father's death _____ my life completely.
- v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
38. His membership in the _____ provided him with numerous benefits.
- n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
39. You are under no _____ to finish the job.
- n.* the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
40. We can _____ this possibility from those consumptions.
- v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something

ANSWERS: 33. creative, 34. trap, 35. government, 36. alternative, 37. transformed, 38. association, 39. obligation, 40. eliminate

41. An executive _____ director administers each branch.
n. someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job
42. GDP per _____ shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.
n. a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
43. He _____ his health to make the project a success.
v. to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone
44. His _____ behavior towards his elders earned him a stern warning from his parents.
n. an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
45. 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
46. We immediately rejected his _____ suggestion.
adj. ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical
47. The investment fund offered _____ for a company on the brink of bankruptcy.
n. the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project
48. Necessity is the mother of _____.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 41. assistant, 42. capita, 43. neglected, 44. disrespectful, 45. patient's, 46. absurd, 47. financing, 48. invention

49. The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial _____ of history.
n. any stage in a series of events, change, or development
50. The younger _____ has different values and beliefs than the older one.
n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
51. The company's _____ in handling customer requests led to many complaints.
n. the lack of ability or effectiveness in producing the desired results or outcomes; the quality of being wasteful or unproductive
52. 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
53. He had a special _____ for public relations
n. an electrical device that sends or receives radio or television signals; (biology) one of one or more pairs of appendages used for sensing in insects
54. GDP stands for gross _____ product.
adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
55. The faithful _____ had been working for the family for many years and was well-trusted.
n. a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant
56. He felt _____ to his parents for all the sacrifices they had made for him.
adj. owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness

ANSWERS: 49. phase, 50. generation, 51. inefficiency, 52. medical, 53. antenna, 54. domestic, 55. servant, 56. indebted

57. The patient was moved to the intensive care _____ for further treatment.

n. a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care

58. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

59. The defendant gave a _____ and accurate description of the accident.

adj. easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity

60. The _____ truck arrived with the packages.

n. the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth

61. The chairperson _____ him the right to speak.

v. to agree to give or allow somebody

62. She gets a _____ on each contract.

n. a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something

63. The military has _____ an abuse of human rights.

v. to do something illegal or wrong

64. The _____ new car drew everyone's attention as it drove by.

adj. reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface

65. The _____ exercised great care in landing.

n. a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water

ANSWERS: 57. ward, 58. amazing, 59. straightforward, 60. delivery, 61. granted, 62. commission, 63. committed, 64. shiny, 65. pilot

66. The university offers both undergraduate and graduate programs, as well as a variety of _____ courses.

adj. relating to or being the third in a series, rank, or order; of or relating to third-level education or training

67. Her negative comments about the project only _____ the team's efforts.

v. to reduce the value or worth of something

68. The _____ occasionally preaches at this church.

n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

69. The _____ of your eye dilates in response to different light levels.

n. the black circular opening in the center of the iris of the eye, through which light enters the eye; a student in school or university

70. She showed great _____ when standing up for her beliefs in opposition.

n. the spinal column of a vertebrate; a symbolic representation of strength and resilience

71. Excellent speech is a characteristic of an _____ man.

adj. having received a high standard of education

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

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

73. The night shift _____ checked my vital signs before administering the medication.

n. a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

ANSWERS: 66. tertiary, 67. devalued, 68. minister, 69. pupil, 70. backbone, 71. educated, 72. quarter, 73. nurse

74. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.

- n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

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

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

76. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?

- v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

77. The popularity of the show made her an instant _____.

- n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry

78. Her _____ is to be a mother.

- n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

79. Science is based on the _____ classification of experience.

- adj.* done or acting according to a determined set of systems or plans:

80. I will work hard to _____ my goals and realize my dreams.

- v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

81. The teacher's _____ to start a school garden project was met with enthusiasm from the students.

- n.* the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need

ANSWERS: 74. wealth, 75. floods, 76. suppose, 77. celebrity, 78. priority, 79. systematic, 80. achieve, 81. initiative

82. The _____ cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.
adj. first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
83. The organization _____ the needs of the community in its decision-making.
v. to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
84. The growth of the "sharing economy" is _____ for tech companies.
adj. immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
85. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
86. We seek a person _____ for the post.
adj. officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job
87. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
88. Many _____ areas are still impoverished.
adj. of or relating to the countryside
89. We watched the concert _____ since we couldn't attend in person.
n. a real-time video or audio broadcast of an event, performance, or activity that is encoded and distributed over the Internet, usually through dedicated apps or websites, allowing distributed viewers to watch it remotely

ANSWERS: 82. primary, 83. prioritized, 84. attractive, 85. statistics, 86. qualified, 87. Communal, 88. rural, 89. livestream

90. The effort to alleviate climate change needs _____ action.

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

91. Understanding unitary _____ of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.

n. a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something

92. Since 2001, the _____ has provided training programs for automotive technicians.

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

93. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

94. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

95. We are developing a new _____ for assessing marketing measures.

n. a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something

96. Our company is strongly _____ to meeting customers' needs.

adj. willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

97. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.

adj. without any or little sound

ANSWERS: 90. bold, 91. transformations, 92. district, 93. argue, 94. nation, 95. methodology, 96. committed, 97. silent

98. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.
n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence
99. His body rejected the liver of the _____.
n. a person or an organization that makes a gift of money, food, supplies, etc. to a cause or fund; in medicine, a person who gives blood or tissue or an organ to be used in another person
100. Which _____ of the company do you work in?
n. the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector
101. Our company needs to _____ the business impact of climate change.
v. to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something
102. This village is still in a dense _____.
n. an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly
103. What is the _____ of the consumption tax in the United States?
n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
104. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
105. The president appointed a special _____ to mediate the peace talks.
n. a person who is sent by one government or organization on a diplomatic mission to represent and negotiate on behalf of their country or organization to another country or organization

ANSWERS: 98. independence, 99. donor, 100. division, 101. assess, 102. jungle, 103. percentage, 104. decide, 105. envoy

106. He is the kind of _____ who only works for his success.

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

107. His business _____ took him to the United States.

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

108. The nation's healthcare system is in _____ at the moment.

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

109. 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

110. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

111. The dictator was known for his _____ tactics and had no qualms about using violence to maintain power.

adj. lacking in pity or compassion; willing to do whatever it takes to achieve their goals, regardless of the consequences for others

112. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.

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

113. He left the party in _____ at its radical political stance.

n. a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition

ANSWERS: 106. fellow, 107. commitments, 108. transition, 109. discovery, 110. electrify, 111. ruthless, 112. grade, 113. protest

114. The _____ for the meeting includes discussions on the budget and new project proposals.
- n.* a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
115. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
- n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
116. He has a flair for _____.
- n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
117. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.
- adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
118. He postulated a completely different _____ to explain all these phenomena.
- n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
119. We must _____ to this matter.
- v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
120. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.
- n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
121. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 114. agenda, 115. economy, 116. mathematics, 117. historic, 118. paradigm, 119. attend, 120. finance, 121. develop

122. Governments _____ renewable energy generation in various ways.

- v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially

123. John Whitney was a computer animation _____.

- n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something

124. The government is proposing a _____ to the healthcare system to make it more accessible and affordable for all citizens.

- n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem

125. They consistently _____ other teams in the league.

- v.* to be or do something compared to others of a similar type

ANSWERS: 122. subsidize, 123. pioneer, 124. reform, 125. outperformed