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Session 1: Word List

nuclear

adj. of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

synonym : atomic

(1) **nuclear** fusion, (2) use of **nuclear** power

Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of **nuclear** weapons.

immigration

n. the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country

synonym : migration, settlement, emigration

(1) **immigration** control, (2) **immigration** application

The **immigration** policy in this country is stringent, making it difficult for many people to obtain a visa.

malaria

n. a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito

(1) **malaria** mosquitoes, (2) **malaria-endemic** area

Many people in tropical countries die from **malaria** every year.

entertain

v. to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling

synonym : amuse, delight, engage

(1) **entertain** a guest, (2) let me **entertain** you with music
He refused to **entertain** our proposal.

transport

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

synonym : shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**
Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

storytelling

n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories

synonym : narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**
She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

preserve

v. to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

synonym : conserve, care for, maintain

(1) **preserve** my strength, (2) **preserve** a country's heritage
They worked hard to **preserve** the nature of their native lands.

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.

opportune

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

synonym : suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark
The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

compartment

n. a separate section or part of a larger enclosed space, such as a train carriage or a ship's cabin

synonym: section, part, subdivision

(1) **compartment** door, (2) a watertight **compartment**

The train's **compartment** was small but comfortable.

erase

v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

synonym: wipe out, delete, obliterate

(1) **erase** a memory, (2) **erased** the files

He attempted to **erase** the misspelled word.

margin

n. the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

synonym: edge, border, periphery

(1) **margin** error, (2) a profit **margin**

Unfortunately, the book's **margin** was too small to make notes.

gender

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

synonym: sexuality

(1) **gender-blind** policies, (2) dual **gender**

Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym: behave, lead, carry on

(1) **conduct** a background check, (2) **conduct** research

Police will **conduct** random breath testing for drunk driving.

investigation

n. the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime, problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth

synonym: examination, analysis, inspection

(1) a preliminary **investigation**, (2) the scope of an **investigation**

We have never before conducted a legitimate **investigation**.

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.

inclusive

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

synonym : cover-all, all-embracing, comprehensive

(1) a fully **inclusive** price, (2) **inclusive** education

The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its **inclusive** policy.

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.

inequality

n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

synonym : imbalance, prejudice, unfairness

(1) **inequality** in salary, (2) algebraic **inequality**

There are several causes of economic **inequality** within societies.

perpetuate

v. to make something continue or prevail for a long time

synonym : eternalize, preserve, maintain

(1) **perpetuate** a myth, (2) **perpetuate** chronic pain
That work **perpetuates** his fame.

caveat

n. a warning against certain acts; (law) a formal notice filed with a court or officer to suspend a proceeding until the filer is given a hearing

synonym: warning, caution, admonition

(1) a **caveat** against unfair practices, (2) general **caveat**
We often ignore important **caveats** from nature.

depress

v. to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active

synonym: sadden, discourage, deflate

(1) **depress** their spirits, (2) **depress** crop prices
The economic recession **depressed** the housing market.

apologize

v. to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem

synonym: excuse, justify, atone

(1) **apologize** for being late, (2) **apologize** ahead of time
I **apologize** for neglecting your email.

advance

v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

synonym: progress, boost, come along

(1) **advance** the technology, (2) **advance** a cooperative relationship

Scientific knowledge will **advance** significantly with the power of AI.

mood

n. the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind

synonym: mindset, disposition, temper

(1) the **mood** in a room, (2) in an ugly **mood**
His gaffe spoiled the **mood** of the dinner party.

mess

n. a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy

synonym : disarray, confusion, predicament

(1) have a whole **mess**, (2) get into a **mess**

He made a frightful **mess** in his room.

gravity

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

synonym : heaviness, attraction, weight

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

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

examine

v. to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them

synonym : study, probe, analyze

(1) **examine** the data studiously, (2) **examine** the issue

Initially, we must **examine** all project-related expenses.

gross

adj. being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant

synonym : before tax, total, abhorrent

(1) the **gross** amount, (2) **gross** injustice

The drastic reorganization has significantly increased this company's **gross** profits.

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.

catalog

n. a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices

synonym : directory, list, register

(1) a classified **catalog**, (2) **catalog** card

She used the online **catalog** to find the perfect pair of

earrings for her sister's birthday.

ethnicity

n. the cultural characteristics of a particular group, such as language, religion, and traditions, that distinguish them from other groups

synonym : race, culture, heritage

(1) with respect to **ethnicity**, (2) based on their **ethnicity**

The company has a diverse workforce representing different **ethnicity** and backgrounds.

disability

n. a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do

synonym : impairment, disadvantage, restriction

(1) a **disability** pension, (2) a learning **disability**

Listening to music at a high volume may lead to a hearing **disability**.

problematic

adj. full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve

synonym : inappropriate, inconvenient, worrisome

(1) a **problematic** situation, (2) seems to be highly **problematic**

Direct democracy is effective in quickly resolving **problematic** situations within a community.

trend

n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing

synonym : direction, movement, tendency

(1) an international **trend**, (2) the **trend** away from television

The oil price continued their downward **trend**.

absent

adj. not present in a particular place at a particular time

synonym : missing, away, not present

(1) **absent-minded**, (2) **absent** without leave

He was **absent** from the meeting and missed all the important updates.

intersect

v. to meet or cross one another

synonym: cross, bisect, cut

(1) **intersect** at a point, (2) railways **intersect** the country

Her multidisciplinary works **intersect** music and picture with writing.

feat

n. a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

synonym: achievement, accomplishment, exploit

(1) intellectual **feat**, (2) **feat** accomplishment

It is an incredible **feat** to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

devoid

adj. completely lacking or free from something

synonym: empty, lacking, void

(1) **devoid** of life, (2) air **devoid** of pollution

The room was **devoid** of any furniture or decorations.

lesbian

n. a woman who is attracted romantically and sexually to other women

synonym: gay woman, female homosexual, tribade

(1) **lesbian** love, (2) **lesbian** relationship

The **lesbian** couple was denied the right to marry due to the conservative laws in their state.

bisexual

adj. attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women

synonym: bi, pansexual, omnisexual

(1) **bisexual** orientation, (2) **bisexual** lifestyle

She described herself as **bisexual**, having been in relationships with male and female partners.

transgender

adj. relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth

synonym: non-binary

(1) **transgender** person, (2) **transgender** rights
Many **transgender** individuals face discrimination and marginalization in society.

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
synonym: depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

epidemic

n. the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
synonym: outbreak, contagion, plague

(1) a worldwide **epidemic**, (2) health **epidemic**

The disease is now reaching **epidemic** proportions in our country.

invisible

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see
synonym: hidden, imperceptible, unseen

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

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

prevalence

n. the state or condition of being widespread or common; the extent or frequency of occurrence of a disease or condition in a given population at a specific time
synonym: preponderance, currency, frequency

(1) **prevalence** rate, (2) high **prevalence** of a diabetes

The **prevalence** of allergies has increased in recent years.

protagonist

n. the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
synonym: hero, central figure, leading character

(1) **protagonist** of drama, (2) play a **protagonist**

The **protagonist's** triumph over adversity was the theme of

this play.

underrepresented

adj. not adequately or proportionately represented, often in terms of a particular group, population, or perspective being excluded or marginalized

synonym : belittled, marginalized, disadvantaged

(1) feel **underrepresented**, (2) **underrepresented** data
Underrepresented communities need more support and resources to achieve equity.

diverse

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

synonym : manifold, various, myriad

(1) **diverse** backgrounds, (2) a person of **diverse** talents
New York is a city with a **diverse** ethnic population.

release

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

synonym : free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air
The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

portrayal

n. a representation or depiction of someone or something, especially in art, literature, or drama

synonym : depiction, representation, characterization

(1) **portrayal** representation, (2) accurate **portrayal**
Critics praised her **portrayal** of the character.

addition

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

synonym : accumulation, expansion, addendum

(1) chemical **addition**, (2) **addition** of vectors
In **addition**, private corporations provide healthcare services.

counterpart

n. a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing

synonym : equivalent, analogue, match

(1) **counterpart** agreement, (2) negotiating **counterpart**
His **counterpart** in the other company is responsible for marketing.

rev

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

synonym: revolution, RPM, speed

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

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

animation

n. the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave

synonym: motion, movement, liveliness

(1) **animation** studio, (2) **animation** film

The **animation** of the characters in the movie was so realistic, and it was as if they were there.

waist

n. the part of the human body between the ribs and hips or the corresponding part in other animals

synonym: midriff, torso, abdomen

(1) **waist** measurement, (2) a slim **waist**

She cinched her dress at the **waist** to accentuate her hourglass figure.

approximate

adj. nearly accurate or correct, but not completely so

synonym: rough, close, near

(1) linear **approximate** equation, (2) **approximate** time

The **approximate** cost of the project was estimated to be around \$500,000.

circumference

n. the distance around the outside of a circular or curved object or area

synonym : perimeter, edge, outer boundary

(1) angle of **circumference**, (2) chest **circumference**

The **circumference** of the earth is approximately 24,901 miles.

womb

n. the organ of a woman or female mammal in which a baby develops before birth

synonym : uterus, matrice

(1) tumor of **womb**, (2) **womb** transplant

The fertilized egg implanted itself in the **womb**.

internal

adj. of or relating to the inside of something

synonym : interior, inner, domestic

(1) **internal** organs, (2) the **internal** economy

The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve **internal** disputes.

confirm

v. to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

synonym : affirm, verify, assure

(1) **confirm** the diagnosis, (2) **confirm** a transaction

Please write to **confirm** your reservation.

exposure

n. the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret

synonym : vulnerability, disclosure, uncovering

(1) a southern **exposure**, (2) the **exposure** of a fraud

The long **exposure** to the air tarnished the antique tableware.

dissatisfy

v. to fail to satisfy someone

synonym : disappoint, disgruntle, dishearten

(1) **dissatisfy** the users with bugs, (2) **dissatisfy** people with service

The company's results **dissatisfy** everyone.

intern

- v. to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

synonym : apprentice, trainee, student

(1) **intern** civilians, (2) medical **intern**

The navy **interned** ships of defeated nations.

objectify

- v. to treat or represent someone or something as an object, without regard for their dignity or worth; to view or depict someone as a mere physical entity rather than as a complex person with feelings, thoughts, and desires

synonym : treat as an object, dehumanize, depersonalize

(1) **objectify** the individual, (2) sexually **objectify**

The media tends to **objectify** women by focusing on their physical appearance rather than accomplishments.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

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.

perception

- n. a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

synonym : understanding, idea, awareness

(1) keen **perception**, (2) **perception** of a stimulus

He is a man admired for the depth of his **perception**.

unpack

v. to open and remove stored items from a container or package; to analyze or examine something in detail, often to clarify or understand it better

synonym : dissect, unwrap, unbox

(1) **unpack** a crate, (2) **unpack** a concept

I need to **unpack** my suitcase and put my clothes away.

hire

v. to give somebody a job

synonym : employ, engage, lease

(1) **hire** a guide, (2) **hire** a car by the hour

We should always be prepared to **hire** talented recruits.

associate

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

synonym : tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

indie

adj. (short for independent) relating to a style or genre of music, film, or literature that is produced without the backing or support of a major commercial company, often associated with a DIY (do-it-yourself) ethos or subculture

synonym : independent, alternative, underground

(1) **indie** music, (2) **indie** film

This restaurant is known for its **indie** approach to cuisine, using locally sourced and sustainable ingredients.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

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

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

insider

n. a person who has privileged access to special or secret information about a particular organization or field

synonym : mole, privileged person

(1) **insider** trading, (2) company **insider**

He's a Wall Street **insider** with a lot of valuable information.

executive

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

synonym : administrator, manager, director

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

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

perceive

v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

synonym : sense, discern, feel

(1) **perceive** a threat, (2) **perceive** light

Australia is widely **perceived** as having low levels of corruption.

trait

n. a particular feature of your nature

synonym : attribute, feature, quality

(1) chemical **trait**, (2) personality **traits**

Multiple genes may influence behavioral **traits** concurrently.

masculine

adj. having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men

synonym : male, mannish, manly

(1) wear **masculine** attire, (2) **masculine** beauty

Her allure lies in her **masculine** rather than feminine beauty.

command

n. authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific

area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something

synonym : control, authority, leadership

(1) **command** and control, (2) **command** a battery

The general gave a **command** to his troops to prepare for battle.

crew

n. a group of people who work together, especially on a ship or airplane

synonym : team, group, squad

(1) the film **crew**, (2) the **crew** of a fishing boat

The ship's **crew** worked hard to repair the damaged sails before the next storm hit.

visionary

adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

synonym : prophetic, far-sighted, imaginative

(1) **visionary** business, (2) **visionary** ideas

The **visionary** leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

ideate

v. to conceive of and develop an idea or concept in one's mind, often as part of a creative process or a problem-solving effort

synonym : conceive, think up, brainstorm

(1) **ideate** solutions, (2) **ideate** process

The team met to **ideate** new marketing strategies for the upcoming product launch.

inconsistent

adj. not remaining constant or in agreement

synonym : conflicting, discrepant, contrary

(1) **inconsistent** results, (2) **inconsistent** with the roadmap

This lawsuit appears to be unfair and **inconsistent**.

incongruous

adj. not in harmony or keeping with the surroundings or environment; not fitting or appropriate; lacking in

congruity or consistency

synonym : inconsistent, incompatible, inappropriate

(1) **incongruous** behavior, (2) **incongruous** statement

His loud and flamboyant personality was **incongruous** with the quiet and reserved atmosphere of the library.

consistent

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

synonym : coherent, constant, compatible

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

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

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

arena

n. a large, flat area, often circular or oval-shaped, designed to showcase theatre, musical performances, or sporting events

synonym : stadium, theatre, auditorium

(1) indoor **arena**, (2) political **arena**

The company is planning to build a 20,000-seat **arena** with a retractable roof.

contribute

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

synonym : donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,

(2) **contribute** to society

Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

viable

adj. capable of being done as intended; able to succeed

synonym : feasible, possible, attainable

(1) achieve a **viable** relationship, (2) develop a **viable** therapy

Male gorillas with good drumming skills are more **viable**.

fin *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
synonym: flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

lucrative *adj.* producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding
synonym: profitable, moneymaking, remunerative

(1) **lucrative** deal, (2) **lucrative** market

Investing in real estate can be a **lucrative** business if done correctly.

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.

franchise *n.* a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election
synonym: dealership, enterprise, suffrage

(1) **franchise** agreement, (2) **franchise** owner

The fast-food **franchise** kept expanding and opening new restaurants across the country.

hunger *n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition
synonym: appetite, craving, starvation

(1) **hunger** pangs, (2) chronic **hunger**

Many people in the world suffer from **hunger** and malnourishment every day.

pitch

n. the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something

synonym: angle, gradient, slope

(1) make a **pitch** for a new product, (2) a low- **pitched** sound

Her voice gradually increased in **pitch**.

awaken

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

synonym: rouse, arouse, revive

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

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

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.

analyze

v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

synonym: explore, examine, investigate

(1) **analyze** a chemical compound, (2) **analyze** your real motives

The teacher attempted to **analyze** the root cause of our mistake.

conjunction

n. the state of being joined, united, or associated; a part of speech that connects words, phrases, or clauses, such

as and, but, while

synonym : combination, intersection, coexistence

(1) in **conjunction** with other agents, (2) causal **conjunction**

A **conjunction** of three mistakes caused the accident.

distribute

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

synonym : broadcast, disperse, hand out

(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content

His estate was **distributed** to his sons.

sufficient

adj. adequate; enough for a particular purpose or requirement

synonym : acceptable, ample, satisfactory

(1) **sufficient** time, (2) self- **sufficient** economy

That candidate does not have **sufficient** means to win an election with certainty.

depressed

adj. sad and without any hope

synonym : despondent, despairing, sad

(1) **depressed** feeling, (2) the market is **depressed**

After his mother died, he got **depressed**.

entertainment

n. public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people

synonym : amusement, recreation, enjoyment

(1) an elegant **entertainment**, (2) hour of **entertainment**

The hotel is famous for its **entertainment**, including the casino.

tangible

adj. real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value

synonym : palpable, real, actual

(1) **tangible** assets, (2) produce **tangible** results

A problem that has been pointed out for years finally becomes **tangible**.

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

synonym: implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

consume

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

synonym: absorb, ingest, use up

(1) **consume** a large of alcohol, (2) **consume** electricity

A smaller car will **consume** less fuel.

individual

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

synonym: person, being, self

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

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

norm

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

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

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

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

contiguous

adj. sharing a common boundary; touching; adjacent

synonym: adjacent, neighboring, touching

(1) **contiguous** territory, (2) **contiguous** numbers

The **contiguous** states are connected by land.

parity

n. the state or condition of being equal, especially in status or payment

synonym:

equality, sameness, equivalence

(1) gender **parity**, (2) **parity** of fighting ability

We have yet to achieve wage or occupational **parity** for women in many fields.

advantageous

adj. providing a benefit or advantage; favorable or beneficial
synonym: beneficial, favorable, profitable

(1) **advantageous** conditions, (2) **advantageous** interest rate

The new job opportunity offered by the company is highly **advantageous**.

heaven

n. (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty

synonym: paradise, nirvana, utopia

(1) ascend to **heaven**, (2) **heaven** on earth

He felt like **heaven** when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.

forbid

v. to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising

synonym: prohibit, ban, outlaw

(1) **forbid** smoking in public areas, (2) **forbid** the use of chemical weapons

God **forbid** you should regret your marriage.

pipeline

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

synonym: channel, line

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

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

talent

n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

synonym:

endowment, aptitude, capability

(1) a person of diverse **talents**, (2) raw **talent**

Numerous great professional sports **talents** have come from this city.

process

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

synonym: procedure, method, system

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

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

contract

n. a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

synonym: agreement, deal, arrangement

(1) employment **contract**, (2) **contract** law

The company signed a **contract** with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

equity

n. the value of the shares issued by a company

synonym: fairness

(1) private **equity** firm, (2) **equity** capital market

That company is cautious when it comes to **equity** investment.

clause

n. a group of words containing a subject and a predicate and forming part of a sentence

synonym: article, provision, stipulation

(1) **clause** in contract, (2) a main **clause**

The contract had a **clause** that specified penalties for late delivery.

rider

n. a clause, amendment, or stipulation added to a legal document or bill; a person who rides on or operates a vehicle or animal; a person who travels a specified distance on horseback to deliver a message

synonym : passenger, commuter, traveler

(1) a motorcycle **rider**, (2) **rider** to a bill

The horse **rider** won first place in the equestrian competition.

typical

adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

synonym : characteristic, usual, distinctive

(1) **typical** leader, (2) fairly **typical** symptoms

This artwork is **typical** of her work.

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.

relevance

n. the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

synonym : pertinence, applicability, connection

(1) have no **relevance**, (2) **relevance** category

The **relevance** of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.

avenge

v. to get revenge or seek retribution for a perceived wrong or injury, often in the form of punishment, retaliation, or vindication

synonym : retaliate, revenge, requite

(1) **avenge** a friend, (2) **avenge** an injustice

He sought to **avenge** his brother's death by seeking justice through the legal system.

demography

n. the study of the statistics of human populations, such as size, growth, density, distribution, and vital statistics

synonym : population statistics, human ecology

(1) **demography** study, (2) the city's **demography** report
The **demography** of the country is changing rapidly due to migration and the aging population

stipulate

v. to specify or require something as a condition of an agreement or arrangement

synonym : specify, require, demand

(1) **stipulate** conditions, (2) **stipulate** the deadline
The contract **stipulates** that the work must be completed within six months.

studio

n. a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

synonym : workshop, atelier, room

(1) a photo **studio**, (2) music **studio**
She works at a recording **studio** in Los Angeles.

adopt

v. to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

synonym : accept, assume, take on

(1) **adopt** a child, (2) **adopt** a bill
The national assembly has **adopted** the budget.

negotiation

n. the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

synonym : bargaining, dialogue, haggling

(1) **negotiation** process, (2) **negotiation** skills
The **negotiation** between the two countries was a delicate and complex process.

candidate

n. a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant

synonym : applicant, nominee, contender

(1) **candidate** selection, (2) PhD **candidate**

The **candidate's** platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.

principle

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

synonym: rule, creed, code

(1) **principle** of treatment, (2) **principle** in business

Efficiency isn't an essential **principle** here; fairness is.

expose

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

synonym: disclose, reveal, uncover

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

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

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.

prey

n. the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating

synonym: target, quarry, chase

(1) **prey** of beast, (2) become **prey** to terrorists

The majority of snakes swallow their **prey** whole.

exclusionary

adj. tending to exclude or keep out certain groups, individuals, or ideas; characterized by the exclusion of others

synonym: discriminatory, exclusive, selective

(1) **exclusionary** clause, (2) **exclusionary** practices

The new housing development faced criticism for its

exclusionary policies towards lower-income residents.

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.

chain

n. a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
synonym : series, string, link

(1) **chain** reaction, (2) supply **chain**
The **chain** on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

multiplex

n. a cinema complex with several screens or theaters showing different films at the same time; an electronic device that allows several signals to be transmitted or processed simultaneously through a single channel; (adjective) relating to or consisting of multiple interconnected parts or elements
synonym : multiplexer, complex, cinema

(1) **multiplex** telegraphy, (2) **multiplex** DNA analysis
The new **multiplex** cinema has 12 screens showing the latest movies.

scroll

n. a long roll of paper containing writing; (verb) to move through text or graphics on a screen to view different parts of them
synonym : manuscript, document, parchment

(1) roll up a **scroll**, (2) **scroll** through a document
The house owner loved the large hanging **scroll** in the guest room.

background

n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
synonym : ground, experience, backdrop

(1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

representation

n. the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting

synonym: delegacy, manifestation, expression

(1) sales **representation**, (2) binary **representation**

A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal **representation**.

capture

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

synonym: catch, arrest, imprison

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

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

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym: fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

unprecedented

adj. never having been seen, done, or known before

synonym: novel, outstanding, unparalleled

(1) **unprecedented** boom, (2) **unprecedented** business opportunity

Unprecedented amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

align

v. to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line

synonym: coordinate, regulate, adjust

(1) **align** the economic interest of each other, (2) **align** with a historical trend

Both parties are now entirely ideologically **aligned**.

foster

v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents

synonym : nurture, nourish, cultivate

(1) **foster** a better relationship, (2) **foster** two kids

The pastor contributed to **fostering** the sense of a community embracing all classes.

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.

unleash

v. to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled

synonym : discharge, free, release

(1) **unleash** a hound, (2) **unleash** her anger

The general was still reluctant to **unleash** his troops in pursuit of an enemy.

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.

landscape

n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

synonym : geography, terrain, topography

(1) a peaceful **landscape**, (2) **landscape** painting

Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political **landscape** in Europe.

impatience

n. a feeling of restlessness or irritation caused by a desire for something to happen or be done more quickly; lack of patience

synonym : impatience, restlessness, agitation

(1) **impatience** with delays, (2) business **impatience**

The doctor advised him to manage his **impatience** as stress could exacerbate his medical condition.

eradicate

v. to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad

synonym : destroy, eliminate, exterminate

(1) **eradicate** the deficit, (2) **eradicate** racial discrimination

We are trying to **eradicate** this disease from the world.

deserve

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

synonym : merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize

The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

Session 2: Spelling

1. 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
2. ad__t a child *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
3. 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
4. de____s their spirits *v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
5. the tr__d away from television *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
6. in____le stars *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
7. al__n with a historical trend *v.* to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line
8. co____e a large amount of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
9. pa____y of fighting ability *n.* the state or condition of being equal, especially in status or payment

ANSWERS: 1. economy, 2. adopt, 3. argue, 4. depress, 5. trend, 6. invisible, 7. align, 8. consume, 9. parity

10. adv_____ous conditions *adj.* providing a benefit or advantage; favorable or beneficial
11. a ca___t against unfair practices *n.* a warning against certain acts; (law) a formal notice filed with a court or officer to suspend a proceeding until the filer is given a hearing
12. the characters that re_____nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
13. have a whole m___s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
14. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
15. di_____e backgrounds *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
16. a main cl___e *n.* a group of words containing a subject and a predicate and forming part of a sentence
17. ex___e a crime *v.* to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence
18. co_____m a transaction *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
19. the c__w of a fishing boat *n.* a group of people who work together, especially on a ship or airplane
20. get into a m___s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy

ANSWERS: 10. advantageous, 11. caveat, 12. represent, 13. mess, 14. distribute, 15. diverse, 16. clause, 17. expose, 18. confirm, 19. crew, 20. mess

21. tr_____rt facilities *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
22. in____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
23. chemical ad_____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
24. back f_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
25. ad_____on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
26. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
27. lu_____ve market *adj.* producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding
28. an_____e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
29. the market is de_____ed *adj.* sad and without any hope
30. dem_____hy study *n.* the study of the statistics of human populations, such as size, growth, density, distribution, and vital statistics
31. neg_____on skills *n.* the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

ANSWERS: 21. transport, 22. invest, 23. addition, 24. fin, 25. addition, 26. statistics, 27. lucrative, 28. analyze, 29. depressed, 30. demography, 31. negotiation

32. a motorcycle ri__r *n.* a clause, amendment, or stipulation added to a legal document or bill; a person who rides on or operates a vehicle or animal; a person who travels a specified distance on horseback to deliver a message
33. imm_____on control *n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
34. negotiating cou_____rt *n.* a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
35. chest cir_____nce *n.* the distance around the outside of a circular or curved object or area
36. ad__t a bill *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
37. av___e an injustice *v.* to get revenge or seek retribution for a perceived wrong or injury, often in the form of punishment, retaliation, or vindication
38. general ca___t *n.* a warning against certain acts; (law) a formal notice filed with a court or officer to suspend a proceeding until the filer is given a hearing
39. la_____pe painting *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
40. un_____h a hound *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled

ANSWERS: 32. rider, 33. immigration, 34. counterpart, 35. circumference, 36. adopt, 37. avenge, 38. caveat, 39. landscape, 40. unleash

41. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
42. the scope of an inv_____ion *n.* the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime, problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth
43. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
44. personality tr__ts *n.* a particular feature of your nature
45. fo___r two kids *v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
46. an elegant ent_____ent *n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people
47. fairly ty_____l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
48. a worldwide ep_____ic *n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
49. de_____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
50. keen per_____on *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
51. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 41. psychology, 42. investigation, 43. statistics, 44. trait, 45. foster, 46. entertainment, 47. typical, 48. epidemic, 49. deserve, 50. perception, 51. communal

52. fo___d smoking in public areas *v.* to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising
53. vi_____ry business *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
54. er_____te racial discrimination *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
55. ascend to he___n *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
56. a low-pi__hed sound *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
57. bi_____al orientation *adj.* attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women
58. h__e a guide *v.* to give somebody a job
59. cr___s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
60. strong and co_____ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

ANSWERS: 52. forbid, 53. visionary, 54. eradicate, 55. heaven, 56. pitch, 57. bisexual, 58. hire, 59. crisis, 60. committed

61. und_____ted data *adj.* not adequately or proportionately represented, often in terms of a particular group, population, or perspective being excluded or marginalized
62. imm_____on application *n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
63. a peaceful la_____pe *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
64. ap_____ze for being late *v.* to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem
65. he___n on earth *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
66. intellectual f__t *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
67. pr_____ve my strength *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
68. pi_____ne facilities *n.* a very long large tube that is usually underground and is used for carrying liquid or gas for long distances
69. have no re_____ce *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

ANSWERS: 61. underrepresented, 62. immigration, 63. landscape, 64. apologize, 65. heaven, 66. feat, 67. preserve, 68. pipeline, 69. relevance

70. f__t accomplishment *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
71. the film c__w *n.* a group of people who work together, especially on a ship or airplane
72. based on their et____ty *n.* the cultural characteristics of a particular group, such as language, religion, and traditions, that distinguish them from other groups
73. indoor ar__a *n.* a large, flat area, often circular or oval-shaped, designed to showcase theatre, musical performances, or sporting events
74. co____t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
75. binary rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
76. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
77. al__n the economic interest of each other *v.* to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line
78. preserve my gr____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
79. un__k a concept *v.* to open and remove stored items from a container or package; to analyze or examine something in detail, often to clarify or understand it better

ANSWERS: 70. feat, 71. crew, 72. ethnicity, 73. arena, 74. conduct, 75. representation, 76. industrious, 77. align, 78. gravity, 79. unpack

80. become p__y to terrorists *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
81. cou_____rt agreement *n.* a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
82. tra_____er rights *adj.* relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth
83. suf_____nt time *adj.* adequate; enough for a particular purpose or requirement
84. ex___e a person to risks *v.* to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence
85. ine_____ty in salary *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
86. id___e solutions *v.* to conceive of and develop an idea or concept in one's mind, often as part of a creative process or a problem-solving effort
87. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
88. develop a vi___e therapy *adj.* capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
89. in a co_____ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

ANSWERS: 80. prey, 81. counterpart, 82. transgender, 83. sufficient, 84. expose, 85. inequality, 86. ideate, 87. industrious, 88. viable, 89. committed

90. the m__d in a room *n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind
91. an____e your real motives *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
92. av____e a friend *v.* to get revenge or seek retribution for a perceived wrong or injury, often in the form of punishment, retaliation, or vindication
93. le____n love *n.* a woman who is attracted romantically and sexually to other women
94. ex____e the issue *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
95. ma____a-endemic area *n.* a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito
96. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
97. inc____ent with the roadmap *adj.* not remaining constant or in agreement
98. pe____ve a threat *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
99. pe____ve light *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
100. access to public tr____rt *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
101. in an ugly m__d *n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind

ANSWERS: 90. mood, 91. analyze, 92. avenge, 93. lesbian, 94. examine, 95. malaria, 96. amazing, 97. inconsistent, 98. perceive, 99. perceive, 100. transport, 101. mood

102. high pre_____ce of a diabetes *n.* the state or condition of being widespread or common; the extent or frequency of occurrence of a disease or condition in a given population at a specific time
103. mu_____ex DNA analysis *n.* a cinema complex with several screens or theaters showing different films at the same time; an electronic device that allows several signals to be transmitted or processed simultaneously through a single channel; (adjective) relating to or consisting of multiple interconnected parts or elements
104. dual ge____r *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
105. app_____te time *adj.* nearly accurate or correct, but not completely so
106. a classified ca_____g *n.* a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices
107. pr_____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
108. a fully in_____ve price *adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

ANSWERS: 102. prevalence, 103. multiplex, 104. gender, 105. approximate, 106. catalog, 107. principle, 108. inclusive

109. supply ch__n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
110. er__ed the files *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
111. re_____ce category *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
112. fr_____se owner *n.* a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election
113. ge___r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
114. a slim wa__t *n.* the part of the human body between the ribs and hips or the corresponding part in other animals
115. financial ind_____nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
116. tumor of w__b *n.* the organ of a woman or female mammal in which a baby develops before birth
117. inc_____us behavior *adj.* not in harmony or keeping with the surroundings or environment; not fitting or appropriate; lacking in congruity or consistency

ANSWERS: 109. chain, 110. erase, 111. relevance, 112. franchise, 113. gender, 114. waist, 115. independence, 116. womb, 117. incongruous

118. 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
119. gender pa____y *n.* the state or condition of being equal, especially in status or payment
120. as_____te alcohol with gambling *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
121. sales rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
122. fo____r a better relationship *v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
123. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
124. com_____nt door *n.* a separate section or part of a larger enclosed space, such as a train carriage or a ship's cabin
125. feel und_____ted *adj.* not adequately or proportionately represented, often in terms of a particular group, population, or perspective being excluded or marginalized
126. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

ANSWERS: 118. introduction, 119. parity, 120. associate, 121. representation, 122. foster, 123. individual, 124. compartment, 125. underrepresented, 126. norm

127. pre_____ce rate *n.* the state or condition of being widespread or common; the extent or frequency of occurrence of a disease or condition in a given population at a specific time
128. a photo st____o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
129. sto_____ing performance *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
130. co_____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
131. co_____d and control *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something
132. ty_____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
133. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
134. a dis_____ty pension *n.* a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do
135. a watertight com_____nt *n.* a separate section or part of a larger enclosed space, such as a train carriage or a ship's cabin

ANSWERS: 127. prevalence, 128. studio, 129. storytelling, 130. consume, 131. command, 132. typical, 133. involve, 134. disability, 135. compartment

136. in___t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
137. a person of di_____e talents *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
138. tra_____er person *adj.* relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth
139. ta_____le assets *adj.* real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value
140. raw ta___t *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
141. lu_____ve deal *adj.* producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding
142. de___d of life *adj.* completely lacking or free from something
143. PhD ca_____te *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
144. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
145. chronic hu___r *n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition

ANSWERS: 136. invest, 137. diverse, 138. transgender, 139. tangible, 140. talent, 141. lucrative, 142. devoid, 143. candidate, 144. capture, 145. hunger

154. 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
155. a f_n of a plane *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
156. fo____d the use of chemical weapons *v.* to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising
157. ma____n error *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
158. h__e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job
159. 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
160. co____ct law *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
161. in_____ve education *adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

ANSWERS: 154. economy, 155. fin, 156. forbid, 157. margin, 158. hire, 159. introduction, 160. contract, 161. inclusive

162. ind_____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
163. con_____us territory *adj.* sharing a common boundary; touching; adjacent
164. er__e a memory *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
165. in con_____on with other agents *n.* the state of being joined, united, or associated; a part of speech that connects words, phrases, or clauses, such as and, but, while
166. de_____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
167. ex_____ve editor at the publishing house *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
168. en_____in a guest *v.* to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling
169. aw___n a child *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
170. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

ANSWERS: 162. independence, 163. contiguous, 164. erase, 165. conjunction, 166. deserve, 167. executive, 168. entertain, 169. awaken, 170. background

171. per_____te chronic pain *v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time
172. aw___n at daybreak *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
173. air de___d of pollution *adj.* completely lacking or free from something
174. as_____te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
175. ma_____ne beauty *adj.* having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men
176. po_____al representation *n.* a representation or depiction of someone or something, especially in art, literature, or drama
177. courtroom sto_____ing *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
178. dis_____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
179. music st___o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
180. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
181. in_____r trading *n.* a person who has privileged access to special or secret information about a particular organization or field

ANSWERS: 171. perpetuate, 172. awaken, 173. devoid, 174. associate, 175. masculine, 176. portrayal, 177. storytelling, 178. distribute, 179. studio, 180. rev, 181. insider

182. linear app_____te equation *adj.* nearly accurate or correct, but not completely so
183. a person of diverse ta____ts *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
184. unpre_____ted boom *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
185. con_____te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
186. pr_____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
187. in_____al organs *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
188. causal con_____on *n.* the state of being joined, united, or associated; a part of speech that connects words, phrases, or clauses, such as and, but, while
189. play a pro _____st *n.* the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
190. ab____t-minded *adj.* not present in a particular place at a particular time
191. inc_____us statement *adj.* not in harmony or keeping with the surroundings or environment; not fitting or appropriate; lacking in congruity or consistency
192. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
193. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 182. approximate, 183. talent, 184. unprecedented, 185. contribute, 186. principle, 187. internal, 188. conjunction, 189. protagonist, 190. absent, 191. incongruous, 192. psychology, 193. opportune

194. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
195. er_____te the deficit *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
196. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
197. con_____te a large sum of money to the fund *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
198. hu____r pangs *n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition
199. mu_____ex telegraphy *n.* a cinema complex with several screens or theaters showing different films at the same time; an electronic device that allows several signals to be transmitted or processed simultaneously through a single channel; (adjective) relating to or consisting of multiple interconnected parts or elements
200. re_____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

ANSWERS: 194. communal, 195. eradicate, 196. process, 197. contribute, 198. hunger, 199. multiplex, 200. release

201. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
202. per_____te a myth *v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time
203. ob_____fy the individual *v.* to treat or represent someone or something as an object, without regard for their dignity or worth; to view or depict someone as a mere physical entity rather than as a complex person with feelings, thoughts, and desires
204. in_____ct at a point *v.* to meet or cross one another
205. co_____t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
206. ri__r to a bill *n.* a clause, amendment, or stipulation added to a legal document or bill; a person who rides on or operates a vehicle or animal; a person who travels a specified distance on horseback to deliver a message
207. w__b transplant *n.* the organ of a woman or female mammal in which a baby develops before birth
208. a data pi_____ne *n.* a very long large tube that is usually underground and is used for carrying liquid or gas for long distances
209. in__e music *adj.* (short for independent) relating to a style or genre of music, film, or literature that is produced without the backing or support of a major commercial company, often associated with a DIY (do-it-yourself) ethos or subculture

ANSWERS: 201. imaginary, 202. perpetuate, 203. objectify, 204. intersect, 205. conduct, 206. rider, 207. womb, 208. pipeline, 209. indie

210. tr_____m heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
211. st_____te the deadline *v.* to specify or require something as a condition of an agreement or arrangement
212. the attraction of gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
213. dis_____fy people with service *v.* to fail to satisfy someone
214. railways in_____ct the country *v.* to meet or cross one another
215. the city's dem_____hy report *n.* the study of the statistics of human populations, such as size, growth, density, distribution, and vital statistics
216. con_____us numbers *adj.* sharing a common boundary; touching; adjacent
217. de_____ed feeling *adj.* sad and without any hope
218. a pro_____ic situation *adj.* full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve
219. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
220. algebraic ine_____ty *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
221. id___e process *v.* to conceive of and develop an idea or concept in one's mind, often as part of a creative process or a problem-solving effort

ANSWERS: 210. transform, 211. stipulate, 212. gravity, 213. dissatisfy, 214. intersect, 215. demography, 216. contiguous, 217. depressed, 218. problematic, 219. opportune, 220. inequality, 221. ideate

222. use of nu____r power *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
223. a profit ma____n *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
224. health ep____ic *n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
225. ca____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
226. neg____on process *n.* the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others
227. ob____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
228. make a pi__h for a new product *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
229. unpre____ted business opportunity *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
230. ca____te selection *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
231. cl____e in contract *n.* a group of words containing a subject and a predicate and forming part of a sentence

ANSWERS: 222. nuclear, 223. margin, 224. epidemic, 225. capture, 226. negotiation, 227. obvious, 228. pitch, 229. unprecedented, 230. candidate, 231. clause

232. a criminal bac_____nd *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
233. le_____n relationship *n.* a woman who is attracted romantically and sexually to other women
234. imp_____ce with delays *n.* a feeling of restlessness or irritation caused by a desire for something to happen or be done more quickly; lack of patience
235. political ar__a *n.* a large, flat area, often circular or oval-shaped, designed to showcase theatre, musical performances, or sporting events
236. business imp_____ce *n.* a feeling of restlessness or irritation caused by a desire for something to happen or be done more quickly; lack of patience
237. pr_____ve a country's heritage *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
238. fr_____se agreement *n.* a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election

ANSWERS: 232. background, 233. lesbian, 234. impatience, 235. arena, 236. impatience, 237. preserve, 238. franchise

239. 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
240. co_____m the diagnosis *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
241. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
242. ca_____g card *n.* a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices
243. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
244. sc____l through a document *n.* a long roll of paper containing writing; (verb) to move through text or graphics on a screen to view different parts of them
245. chemical tr__t *n.* a particular feature of your nature
246. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

ANSWERS: 239. recognize, 240. confirm, 241. process, 242. catalog, 243. involve, 244. scroll, 245. trait, 246. recognize

247. company in____r *n.* a person who has privileged access to special or secret information about a particular organization or field
248. un___k a crate *v.* to open and remove stored items from a container or package; to analyze or examine something in detail, often to clarify or understand it better
249. inc_____ent results *adj.* not remaining constant or in agreement
250. nu____r fusion *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
251. de____s crop prices *v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
252. achieve a vi___e relationship *adj.* capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
253. st_____te conditions *v.* to specify or require something as a condition of an agreement or arrangement
254. financial cr____s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
255. gr__s injustice *adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant
256. an international tr__d *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing

ANSWERS: 247. insider, 248. unpack, 249. inconsistent, 250. nuclear, 251. depress, 252. viable, 253. stipulate, 254. crisis, 255. gross, 256. trend

257. dis_____fy the users with bugs *v.* to fail to satisfy someone
258. seems to be highly pro_____ic *adj.* full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve
259. self-suf_____nt economy *adj.* adequate; enough for a particular purpose or requirement
260. the gr__s amount *adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant
261. the in_____al economy *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
262. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
263. eq____y capital market *n.* the value of the shares issued by a company
264. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
265. private eq____y firm *n.* the value of the shares issued by a company
266. roll up a sc____l *n.* a long roll of paper containing writing; (verb) to move through text or graphics on a screen to view different parts of them
267. do on a con_____nt basis *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
268. vi_____ry ideas *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
269. ex_____e the data studiously *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them

ANSWERS: 257. dissatisfy, 258. problematic, 259. sufficient, 260. gross, 261. internal, 262. obvious, 263. equity, 264. norm, 265. equity, 266. scroll, 267. consistent, 268. visionary, 269. examine

270. employment co____ct *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
271. p__y of beast *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
272. in__e film *adj.* (short for independent) relating to a style or genre of music, film, or literature that is produced without the backing or support of a major commercial company, often associated with a DIY (do-it-yourself) ethos or subculture
273. adv_____ous interest rate *adj.* providing a benefit or advantage; favorable or beneficial
274. exc_____ary practices *adj.* tending to exclude or keep out certain groups, individuals, or ideas; characterized by the exclusion of others
275. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
276. hour of ent_____ent *n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people
277. an_____on studio *n.* the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave
278. co_____d a battery *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something

ANSWERS: 270. contract, 271. prey, 272. indie, 273. advantageous, 274.

exclusionary, 275. individual, 276. entertainment, 277. animation, 278. command

279. tr_____m an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
280. produce ta_____le results *adj.* real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value
281. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
282. a learning dis_____ty *n.* a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do
283. the ex_____re of a fraud *n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
284. an_____on film *n.* the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave
285. medical in_____n *v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria
286. per_____on of a stimulus *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

ANSWERS: 279. transform, 280. tangible, 281. release, 282. disability, 283. exposure, 284. animation, 285. intern, 286. perception

287. get con_____nt results *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
288. accurate po_____al *n.* a representation or depiction of someone or something, especially in art, literature, or drama
289. ch___n reaction *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
290. ad_____e the technology *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
291. a preliminary inv_____ion *n.* the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime, problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth
292. wa___t measurement *n.* the part of the human body between the ribs and hips or the corresponding part in other animals
293. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
294. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
295. ap_____ze ahead of time *v.* to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem
296. pro_____st of drama *n.* the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
297. an in_____le asset *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see

ANSWERS: 287. consistent, 288. portrayal, 289. chain, 290. advance, 291. investigation, 292. waist, 293. rev, 294. imaginary, 295. apologize, 296. protagonist, 297. invisible

298. exc_____ary clause *adj.* tending to exclude or keep out certain groups, individuals, or ideas; characterized by the exclusion of others
299. bi_____al lifestyle *adj.* attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women
300. ex_____ve vice president *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
301. wear ma_____ne attire *adj.* having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men
302. un_____h her anger *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
303. let me en_____in you with music *v.* to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling
304. ma_____a mosquitoes *n.* a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito
305. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
306. with respect to et_____ty *n.* the cultural characteristics of a particular group, such as language, religion, and traditions, that distinguish them from other groups

ANSWERS: 298. exclusionary, 299. bisexual, 300. executive, 301. masculine, 302. unleash, 303. entertain, 304. malaria, 305. amazing, 306. ethnicity

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The ship's _____ worked hard to repair the damaged sails before the next storm hit.
n. a group of people who work together, especially on a ship or airplane
2. The economic recession _____ the housing market.
v. to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
3. My father's death _____ my life completely.
v. to change in outward structure or looks;
4. She used the online _____ to find the perfect pair of earrings for her sister's birthday.
n. a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices
5. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
6. The _____ between the two countries was a delicate and complex process.
n. the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others
7. 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

ANSWERS: 1. crew, 2. depressed, 3. transformed, 4. catalog, 5. individual, 6. negotiation, 7. committed

8. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

9. That newspaper _____ a political scandal in a big way.

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

10. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.

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

11. We have never before conducted a legitimate _____.

n. the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime, problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth

12. We should always be prepared to _____ talented recruits.

v. to give somebody a job

13. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

14. There are several causes of economic _____ within societies.

n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

15. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

ANSWERS: 8. opportune, 9. exposed, 10. independence, 11. investigation, 12. hire, 13. associate, 14. inequality, 15. principle

16. _____ amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.
adj. never having been seen, done, or known before
17. Initially, we must _____ all project-related expenses.
v. to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
18. The team met to _____ new marketing strategies for the upcoming product launch.
v. to conceive of and develop an idea or concept in one's mind, often as part of a creative process or a problem-solving effort
19. The fertilized egg implanted itself in the _____.
n. the organ of a woman or female mammal in which a baby develops before birth
20. The company's results _____ everyone.
v. to fail to satisfy someone
21. The oil price continued their downward _____.
n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing
22. Little children tend to have _____ friends.
adj. existing only in someone's mind
23. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 16. Unprecedented, 17. examine, 18. ideate, 19. womb, 20. dissatisfy, 21. trend, 22. imaginary, 23. statistics

24. The _____ of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.
- n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
25. Rebels sabotaged the main _____ supplying oil.
- n.* a very long large tube that is usually underground and is used for carrying liquid or gas for long distances
26. Critics praised her _____ of the character.
- n.* a representation or depiction of someone or something, especially in art, literature, or drama
27. This lawsuit appears to be unfair and _____.
- adj.* not remaining constant or in agreement
28. This artwork is _____ of her work.
- adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
29. We often ignore important _____ from nature.
- n.* a warning against certain acts; (law) a formal notice filed with a court or officer to suspend a proceeding until the filer is given a hearing
30. The drastic reorganization has significantly increased this company's _____ profits.
- adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant
31. The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of _____.
- n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

ANSWERS: 24. relevance, 25. pipeline, 26. portrayal, 27. inconsistent, 28. typical, 29. caveats, 30. gross, 31. gravity

32. You are not _____ in your behavior.

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

33. The navy _____ ships of defeated nations.

v. to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

34. Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of _____ weapons.

adj. of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

35. Please write to _____ your reservation.

v. to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

36. It is an incredible _____ to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

n. a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

37. The _____ couple was denied the right to marry due to the conservative laws in their state.

n. a woman who is attracted romantically and sexually to other women

38. 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

ANSWERS: 32. consistent, 33. interned, 34. nuclear, 35. confirm, 36. feat, 37. lesbian, 38. invest

39. As the _____ director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.
- n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
40. I _____ for neglecting your email.
- v.* to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem
41. New York is a city with a _____ ethnic population.
- adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
42. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.
- v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
43. The _____ cost of the project was estimated to be around \$500,000.
- adj.* nearly accurate or correct, but not completely so
44. A _____ of three mistakes caused the accident.
- n.* the state of being joined, united, or associated; a part of speech that connects words, phrases, or clauses, such as and, but, while
45. I need to _____ my suitcase and put my clothes away.
- v.* to open and remove stored items from a container or package; to analyze or examine something in detail, often to clarify or understand it better
46. That work _____ his fame.
- v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time

ANSWERS: 39. executive, 40. apologize, 41. diverse, 42. contribute, 43. approximate, 44. conjunction, 45. unpack, 46. perpetuates

47. He attempted to _____ the misspelled word.

v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

48. The general gave a _____ to his troops to prepare for battle.

n. authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something

49. He made a frightful _____ in his room.

n. a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy

50. Enhanced rail _____ is crucial for our business.

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

51. She works at a recording _____ in Los Angeles.

n. a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

52. She described herself as _____ having been in relationships with male and female partners.

adj. attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women

53. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

54. He felt like _____ when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.

n. (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty

ANSWERS: 47. erase, 48. command, 49. mess, 50. transportation, 51. studio, 52. bisexual, 53. conduct, 54. heaven

55. The pastor contributed to _____ the sense of a community embracing all classes.
- v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
56. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
- n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
57. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
- adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
58. Listening to music at a high volume may lead to a hearing _____.
- n.* a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do
59. The fast-food _____ kept expanding and opening new restaurants across the country.
- n.* a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election
60. The media tends to _____ women by focusing on their physical appearance rather than accomplishments.
- v.* to treat or represent someone or something as an object, without regard for their dignity or worth; to view or depict someone as a mere physical entity rather than as a complex person with feelings, thoughts, and desires

ANSWERS: 55. fostering, 56. process, 57. obvious, 58. disability, 59. franchise, 60. objectify

61. That candidate does not have _____ means to win an election with certainty.

adj. adequate; enough for a particular purpose or requirement

62. The company signed a _____ with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

n. a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

63. His _____ in the other company is responsible for marketing.

n. a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing

64. Direct democracy is effective in quickly resolving _____ situations within a community.

adj. full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve

65. Her allure lies in her _____ rather than feminine beauty.

adj. having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men

66. Numerous great professional sports _____ have come from this city.

n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

67. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

68. The shark's powerful _____ allowed it to swim at high speeds.

n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

ANSWERS: 61. sufficient, 62. contract, 63. counterpart, 64. problematic, 65. masculine, 66. talents, 67. release, 68. fins

69. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

70. The _____ of the earth is approximately 24,901 miles.

n. the distance around the outside of a circular or curved object or area

71. I was able to _____ the moment on film.

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

72. The house owner loved the large hanging _____ in the guest room.

n. a long roll of paper containing writing; (verb) to move through text or graphics on a screen to view different parts of them

73. 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

74. Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political _____ in Europe.

n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

75. Many people in tropical countries die from _____ every year.

n. a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito

76. The _____ platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.

n. a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant

ANSWERS: 69. amazing, 70. circumference, 71. capture, 72. scroll, 73. argue, 74. landscape, 75. malaria, 76. candidate's

77. The _____ of allergies has increased in recent years.
- n.* the state or condition of being widespread or common; the extent or frequency of occurrence of a disease or condition in a given population at a specific time
78. His loud and flamboyant personality was _____ with the quiet and reserved atmosphere of the library.
- adj.* not in harmony or keeping with the surroundings or environment; not fitting or appropriate; lacking in congruity or consistency
79. The _____ triumph over adversity was the theme of this play.
- n.* the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
80. She cinched her dress at the _____ to accentuate her hourglass figure.
- n.* the part of the human body between the ribs and hips or the corresponding part in other animals
81. The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve _____ disputes.
- adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
82. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud ____.
- n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
83. They worked hard to _____ the nature of their native lands.
- v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
84. The _____ of the characters in the movie was so realistic, and it was as if they were there.
- n.* the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave

ANSWERS: 77. prevalence, 78. incongruous, 79. protagonist's, 80. waist, 81. internal,

82. rev, 83. preserve, 84. animation

85. The _____ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

n. a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

86. The new _____ cinema has 12 screens showing the latest movies.

n. a cinema complex with several screens or theaters showing different films at the same time; an electronic device that allows several signals to be transmitted or processed simultaneously through a single channel; (adjective) relating to or consisting of multiple interconnected parts or elements

87. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

88. This restaurant is known for its _____ approach to cuisine, using locally sourced and sustainable ingredients.

adj. (short for independent) relating to a style or genre of music, film, or literature that is produced without the backing or support of a major commercial company, often associated with a DIY (do-it-yourself) ethos or subculture

89. She had a master's degree in _____.

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

90. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.

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

91. The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its _____ policy.

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

ANSWERS: 85. chain, 86. multiplex, 87. addition, 88. indie, 89. psychology, 90. norms, 91. inclusive

92. The room was _____ of any furniture or decorations.

adj. completely lacking or free from something

93. The disease is now reaching _____ proportions in our country.

n. the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time

94. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

95. 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

96. We have yet to achieve wage or occupational _____ for women in many fields.

n. the state or condition of being equal, especially in status or payment

97. Many people in the world suffer from _____ and malnourishment every day.

n. a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition

98. A problem that has been pointed out for years finally becomes _____.

adj. real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value

99. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.

n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

ANSWERS: 92. devoid, 93. epidemic, 94. gender, 95. recognize, 96. parity, 97. hunger, 98. tangible, 99. background

100. He sought to _____ his brother's death by seeking justice through the legal system.
- v.* to get revenge or seek retribution for a perceived wrong or injury, often in the form of punishment, retaliation, or vindication
101. That company is cautious when it comes to _____ investment.
- n.* the value of the shares issued by a company
102. Many _____ individuals face discrimination and marginalization in society.
- adj.* relating to or denoting a person whose gender identity does not correspond to that person's biological sex assigned at birth
103. The phenomenon is _____ at optical wavelengths.
- adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
104. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.
- v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
105. He's a Wall Street _____ with a lot of valuable information.
- n.* a person who has privileged access to special or secret information about a particular organization or field
106. Scientific knowledge will _____ significantly with the power of AI.
- v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
107. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.
- v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

ANSWERS: 100. avenge, 101. equity, 102. transgender, 103. invisible, 104. involves, 105. insider, 106. advance, 107. deserved

108. Her voice gradually increased in _____.

- n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something

109. We are trying to _____ this disease from the world.

- v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad

110. His estate was _____ to his sons.

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

111. _____ communities need more support and resources to achieve equity.

- adj.* not adequately or proportionately represented, often in terms of a particular group, population, or perspective being excluded or marginalized

112. 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

113. He is a man admired for the depth of his _____.

- n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

114. The contract _____ that the work must be completed within six months.

- v.* to specify or require something as a condition of an agreement or arrangement

ANSWERS: 108. pitch, 109. eradicate, 110. distributed, 111. Underrepresented, 112. crisis, 113. perception, 114. stipulates

115. He refused to _____ our proposal.

- v.* to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling

116. Male gorillas with good drumming skills are more _____.

- adj.* capable of being done as intended; able to succeed

117. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.

- adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

118. Both parties are now entirely ideologically _____.

- v.* to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line

119. The _____ states are connected by land.

- adj.* sharing a common boundary; touching; adjacent

120. The majority of snakes swallow their _____ whole.

- n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating

121. God _____ you should regret your marriage.

- v.* to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising

122. The new housing development faced criticism for its _____ policies towards lower-income residents.

- adj.* tending to exclude or keep out certain groups, individuals, or ideas; characterized by the exclusion of others

123. A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal _____.

- n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting

ANSWERS: 115. entertain, 116. viable, 117. industrious, 118. aligned, 119. contiguous, 120. prey, 121. forbid, 122. exclusionary, 123. representation

124. 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
125. The company is planning to build a 20,000-seat _____ with a retractable roof.
- n.* a large, flat area, often circular or oval-shaped, designed to showcase theatre, musical performances, or sporting events
126. The _____ of the country is changing rapidly due to migration and the aging population
- n.* the study of the statistics of human populations, such as size, growth, density, distribution, and vital statistics
127. The train's _____ was small but comfortable.
- n.* a separate section or part of a larger enclosed space, such as a train carriage or a ship's cabin
128. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.
- v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
129. His gaffe spoiled the _____ of the dinner party.
- n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind
130. The _____ leader had a clear plan for the company's future.
- adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

ANSWERS: 124. economy, 125. arena, 126. demography, 127. compartment, 128. represent, 129. mood, 130. visionary

131. After his mother died, he got _____.

adj. sad and without any hope

132. The friend's death _____ them.

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

133. The general was still reluctant to _____ his troops in pursuit of an enemy.

v. to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled

134. She was skilled in _____ techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories

135. The doctor advised him to manage his _____ as stress could exacerbate his medical condition.

n. a feeling of restlessness or irritation caused by a desire for something to happen or be done more quickly; lack of patience

136. Her multidisciplinary works _____ music and picture with writing.

v. to meet or cross one another

137. Multiple genes may influence behavioral _____ concurrently.

n. a particular feature of your nature

138. The teacher attempted to _____ the root cause of our mistake.

v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

139. He was _____ from the meeting and missed all the important updates.

adj. not present in a particular place at a particular time

ANSWERS: 131. depressed, 132. awakens, 133. unleash, 134. storytelling, 135. impatience, 136. intersect, 137. traits, 138. analyze, 139. absent

140. The national assembly has _____ the budget.

- v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

141. The hotel is famous for its _____ including the casino.

- n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people

142. The company has a diverse workforce representing different _____ and backgrounds.

- n.* the cultural characteristics of a particular group, such as language, religion, and traditions, that distinguish them from other groups

143. Australia is widely _____ as having low levels of corruption.

- v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

144. The new job opportunity offered by the company is highly _____.

- adj.* providing a benefit or advantage; favorable or beneficial

145. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

146. The _____ policy in this country is stringent, making it difficult for many people to obtain a visa.

- n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country

147. The long _____ to the air tarnished the antique tableware.

- n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret

ANSWERS: 140. adopted, 141. entertainment, 142. ethnicity, 143. perceived, 144. advantageous, 145. Communal, 146. immigration, 147. exposure

148. Investing in real estate can be a _____ business if done correctly.

adj. producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding

149. 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

150. The horse _____ won first place in the equestrian competition.

n. a clause, amendment, or stipulation added to a legal document or bill; a person who rides on or operates a vehicle or animal; a person who travels a specified distance on horseback to deliver a message

151. The contract had a _____ that specified penalties for late delivery.

n. a group of words containing a subject and a predicate and forming part of a sentence

152. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

153. Unfortunately, the book's _____ was too small to make notes.

n. the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

ANSWERS: 148. lucrative, 149. introduction, 150. rider, 151. clause, 152. consume, 153. margin