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Session 1: Word List

tube

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

synonym : pipe, hose, duct

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

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

storage

n. the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

synonym : storehouse, depository, warehousing

(1) a **storage** battery, (2) **storage** at low temperature

We store customer data in cloud **storage**.

luxury

n. a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things

synonym : extravagance, indulgence, opulence

(1) get into the **luxury** car market, (2) **luxury** hotel

His anti- **luxury** practices were quite strict.

polo

n. a sport played on horseback in which two teams try to hit a ball through a goal using long-handled mallets

(1) **polo** shirt, (2) **polo** championship

I watched a thrilling **polo** match at the club over the weekend.

corridor

n. a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure

synonym: hallway, passageway, aisle

(1) walk along a **corridor**, (2) air **corridor**

The long **corridor** was filled with people rushing to get to their rooms before the meeting began.

blink

v. to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way

synonym: twinkle, flash, flicker

(1) **blink** his eyes, (2) **blink** in astonishment

He **blinked** in the dazzling sunlight.

cliche

n. a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement

synonym: truism, platitude, stereotype

(1) **cliche** plot, (2) age-old **cliche**

Using the same **cliche** phrase in every conversation can take time and effort.

gang

n. a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity

synonym: crew, posse, group

(1) a motorcycle **gang**, (2) **gang** member

The street **gang** was known for its violent behavior.

padlock

n. a portable lock used to fasten or secure something, typically with a U-shaped metal bar hinged at one end and secured by a detachable part, usually a key or combination

synonym: lock, pad

(1) heavy-duty **padlock**, (2) secure with a **padlock**

I need to find the key to the **padlock** before I can open the storage unit.

exchange

- v. to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

synonym: trade, swap, interchange

(1) **exchange** rate, (2) **exchange** a few friendly words
My sister and I frequently **exchange** books, as we love reading.

verbal

adj. expressed in spoken rather than written words

synonym: speaking, lingual, oral

(1) **verbal** communication, (2) **verbal** abuse

The candidate must have excellent **verbal** skills.

spar

- v. to engage in boxing or other combat sports with a partner for practice or training purposes; to practice fighting or defending oneself using light blows or drills

synonym: fight, wrestle

(1) **spar** with a partner, (2) **spar** over ideas

The kayakers had to **spar** with the strong winds and waves to reach the shore.

punch

- v. to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something

synonym: hit, strike, slap

(1) **punch** out numbers, (2) **punch** a ticket

He **punched** the wall in anger.

paperwork

- n. administrative tasks that involve writing or typing documents

synonym: documentation, filing, office work

(1) **paperwork** process, (2) bureaucratic **paperwork**

The **paperwork** for the loan application was extensive.

tread

v. to step or walk on something

synonym : step, walk, pace

(1) **tread** water, (2) **tread** a similar path

He **treads** carefully on the slippery ice.

suspicious

adj. making you feel that someone has done something wrong, illegal, or dishonest without any evidence

synonym : fishy, questionable, doubtful

(1) report **suspicious** activity, (2) a person who is **suspicious**

We carefully examine each **suspicious** transaction report we receive.

counterfeit

adj. made in imitation of something else to deceive or defraud; not genuine or authentic

synonym : fake, false, imitation

(1) **counterfeit** document, (2) **counterfeit** money

The company hired a team of experts to identify **counterfeit** products in their supply chain.

investigator

n. a person whose job is to conduct an investigation or inquiry into something, often to gather information or evidence

synonym : inspector, sleuth, detective

(1) private **investigator**, (2) clinical **investigator**

The forensic **investigator** collected DNA samples from the crime scene to identify the perpetrator

telltale

adj. revealing or betraying information or evidence; serving as a sign or indicator of something

synonym : revealing, indicative, suggestive

(1) **telltale** evidence, (2) **telltale** heart

The **telltale** signs of a dishonest employee were missing files and constant delay.

stitch

n. one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn

(1) a **stitch** in a garment, (2) pattern **stitch**

The wound was so deep that it needed a surgical procedure and **stitches**.

label

n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

synonym: tag, mark, identifier

(1) a mailing **label**, (2) **label** a bag with my name

The **label** on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

brand

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

synonym: trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car

There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

logo

n. a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials

synonym: emblem, symbol, crest

(1) **logo** design, (2) brand **logo**

The company's **logo** was on the side of the building.

insist

v. to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say

synonym: demand, assert, claim

(1) **insist** on a clear answer, (2) **insist** over and over

He **insisted** that she pay her debt to the last penny.

relief

n. a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

synonym: remedy, consolation, alleviation

(1) tax **relief**, (2) sigh of **relief**

He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian **relief** fund.

glance

v. to give a quick or brief look; to hit something at an angle
synonym: glimpse, peek, flash

(1) **glance** around nervously, (2) **glance** at him miserably
I casually **glanced** into the small hut.

dawn

n. the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

synonym: daybreak, sunrise, advent

(1) the wan light of **dawn**, (2) crack of **dawn**

Missile assaults on the capital continued around **dawn**.

raid

n. a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft

synonym: attack, invasion, aggression

(1) make a **raid** on an enemy's camp, (2) air- **raid** siren

Throughout the **raid**, the bank robbers wore masks.

seize

v. to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

synonym: grab, grasp, capture

(1) **seize** a person's property, (2) **seize** the day

He has the superpower to **seize** a business opportunity.

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**.

pawn

n. a piece in the game of chess that can be moved only forward and captured only diagonally; (verb) leave as a guarantee in return for money

synonym : collateral, pledge, security

(1) **pawn** checkmate, (2) **pawn** my jewelry

He used his watch as a **pawn** in the game of chess.

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

synonym : interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**

He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

continent

n. one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

synonym : landmass, (adjective) chaste, (adjective) pure

(1) the inland of a **continent**, (2) **continent** urinary diversion

Flight across the **continent** was a daring adventure in its day.

loose

adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

synonym : relaxed, unconsolidated, open

(1) a **loose** tongue, (2) remove **loose** hair

The inspector discovered **loose** bolts under the fuel rods.

thread

n. a fine cord of natural or synthetic fibers or filaments, such as cotton or nylon, used in sewing, knitting, or weaving; a series of connected messages or comments on a social media platform or online forum, often related to a particular topic; a sequence or line of events, ideas, or actions that are connected or related; (verb) to pass a thread through a needle or other small opening, in preparation for sewing or stitching

synonym : filament, string, yarn

(1) **thread** a catheter, (2) start a new **thread**

The detective followed a **thread** of clues which ultimately led to the suspect's arrest.

unravel

v. undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it
synonym : separate, unknot, ravel

(1) **unravel** a knit, (2) **unravel** a plot

Detectives are still attempting to **unravel** the mystery of his death.

victim

n. a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

synonym : prey, target, sufferer

(1) **victim** support, (2) **victim** compensation

The **victim** of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

advertise

v. to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it

synonym : publicize, announce, promote

(1) **advertise** the campaign, (2) **advertise** on social media

We want to **advertise** our company through your media.

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.

fake

adj. not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

synonym : affected, bogus, counterfeit

(1) **fake** police officer, (2) spread of **fake** news

The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and **faked** it

trafficking

n. the illegal trade in goods, services, or people, often across national borders

synonym : smuggling, trading, dealing

(1) **trafficking** operation, (2) narcotic **trafficking**

Human **trafficking** is a serious issue that needs to be addressed by governments and organizations worldwide.

brake

n. a device used to slow or stop a moving vehicle, typically by applying pressure to the wheels

synonym : damper, restraint, check

(1) apply the **brake**, (2) **brake** pedal

The results of that election put a **brake** on political reform.

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.

prostitute

n. a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment

synonym : hooker, harlot, whore

(1) **prostitute** street, (2) a male **prostitute**

She turned to **prostitute** to make ends meet.

horrible

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

synonym : dreadful, terrible, awful

(1) **horrible** accident, (2) **horrible** smell

The experience was **horrible** and left a lasting impression.

sink

v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

synonym : descend, drop, plummet

(1) **sink** a lot of capital, (2) **sink** a buzzer-beater

The abandoned ship slowly began to **sink** into the murky waters of the harbor.

terror

n. intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm

synonym: fear, alarm, horror

(1) **terror** attack, (2) **terror** group

The bomb blast spread **terror** among the people.

scorpion

n. a small creature similar to an insect with a segmented body, a pair of pincers, and a long, thin tail that ends in a venomous sting

synonym: arachnid, stinger

(1) **scorpion** fish, (2) poisonous **scorpion**

The **scorpion's** venom can be lethal to humans.

profit

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

synonym: earnings, gain, proceeds

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

This business yields little **profit**.

bullet

n. a metal projectile that is shot from a gun

synonym: projectile, slug, shot

(1) **bullet** wound, (2) **bullet** train

The stray **bullet** went through the window and hit the wall.

innocent

adj. not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge

synonym: blameless, honest, harmless

(1) an **innocent** child, (2) thousands of **innocent** people

My husband was found **innocent** of any crime.

cling

v. to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something

synonym: stick, adhere, attach

(1) **cling** onto power, (2) **cling** tightly to the skin
He **clings** to the hope that he will find a job soon.

canary

n. a small, typically yellow songbird that is often kept as a pet or used to denote the presence of gas or other hazards in a mine

(1) **canary** bird, (2) **canary** yellow

The **canary** in the coal mine was used as an early warning system for miners about dangerous gases.

cryptic

adj. having a hidden or obscure meaning or message; mysterious or puzzling in nature

synonym: enigmatic, mysterious, obscure

(1) **cryptic** language, (2) **cryptic** crossword

The message was so **cryptic** that I had no idea what it meant.

advert

v. an advertisement; (verb) to make reference to something in speaking or writing

synonym: advertise, mention, attend

(1) a television **advert** for the product, (2) full page **advert**

Our company took out a big **advert** next to the highway.

intellect

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

property

n. a thing or things that belong to someone

synonym: belongings, possessions, equity

(1) a man of **property**, (2) chemical **property**

He stood to inherit a million-dollar **property**.

alias

n. an assumed or false name often used to conceal one's true identity; (adverb) as known or named at another time or place

synonym: false name, (adverb) also known as

(1) **alias** name, (2) sign an email **alias**

The author often writes under the **alias** of a fictional character.

investigate

v. to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth

synonym: examine, analyze, look into

(1) **investigate** the matter, (2) **investigate** a data leak

The committee **investigated** several apparent inconsistencies.

alloy

n. a metal made by combining two or more metallic elements, especially to give greater strength or resistance to corrosion

synonym: mixture, blend, amalgamation

(1) **alloy** wheels, (2) brass **alloy**

The aircraft was made using a lightweight **alloy** of aluminum and titanium.

pet

n. an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

(1) a **pet** bird, (2) a teacher's **pet**

I have a parrot as a **pet**.

groom

v. to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat

synonym: brush, comb, neaten

(1) **groom** duties, (2) **groom** a horse

I need to **groom** my dog before his fur gets too long.

leather

n. a material made from the skin of an animal, typically by tanning, and used for clothing, shoes, furniture, and other items

synonym : hide, skin, suede

(1) enameled **leather**, (2) **leather** boots

The **leather** jacket was worn in but still comfortable.

scratch

v. to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object

synonym : claw, rub, scrape

(1) **scratch** off a name, (2) **scratch** my signature

Don't **scratch** your mosquito bites.

rot

v. to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually

synonym : perish, decay, corrode

(1) begin to **rot**, (2) **rot** with age

Please refrigerate the meat, or it will **rot**.

core

n. the most essential or fundamental part of something

synonym : center, basis, heart

(1) the **core** of an apple, (2) **core** business activity

These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic **cores**.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym : enormous, giant, immense

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

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

penalty

n. a punishment for violating a law, rule, or contract

synonym : punishment, sentence, fine

(1) death **penalty**, (2) corner of the **penalty** area

The lawyer was reinstated after paying the **penalty**.

criminal

n. a person who has committed a crime

synonym :

offender, lawbreaker, delinquent

(1) wanted **criminal**, (2) **criminal** investigation

The police are searching for the **criminal** who stole the jewels.

legitimate

adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

synonym: lawful, honest, fair

(1) a **legitimate** child, (2) **legitimate** question

Public political demonstrations are considered **legitimate** rights for citizens.

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**.

warehouse

n. a large building for storing goods and merchandise, especially before they are sold, used, or sent out to shops

synonym: storage, repository, depot

(1) a rental **warehouse**, (2) **warehouse** debt

The fire ruined all the food stored in the **warehouse**.

turkey

n. (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans

(1) swell like a **turkey**, (2) **turkey** breast meat

They prepared a stuffed **turkey** for Thanksgiving.

fashion

n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

synonym: style, manner, fad

(1) go out of **fashion**, (2) new **fashion** trends

That style is no longer in **fashion**.

trademark

n. a name or symbol on a product that indicates it was made by a particular company and cannot be used without permission by other companies

synonym : brand, label, hallmark

(1) **trademark** license, (2) assign a **trademark**

The company's logo is a registered **trademark** on a global scale.

yacht

n. a large, luxurious sailing vessel or motorboat that is often used for pleasure cruises, racing, or other leisure activities

synonym : boat, vessel, ship

(1) **yacht** owner, (2) luxury **yacht**

We spent the weekend sailing our **yacht** around the Mediterranean.

unheard-of

adj. extraordinary or unprecedented, and therefore surprising or shocking

synonym : unprecedented, extraordinary, unimaginable

(1) **unheard-of** success, (2) **unheard-of** in the previous generation

The company's sales reached an **unheard-of** level, breaking all previous records.

shell

n. hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals

synonym : ammunition, armor, cover

(1) an egg **shell**, (2) a mollusk **shell**

The outermost electron **shell** determines the chemical properties of an atom.

falsify

v. to alter or manipulate information, data, or evidence to deceive or mislead; to prove to be false or incorrect

synonym : fudge, distort, manipulate

(1) **falsify** data, (2) **falsify** documents

The scientist was caught attempting to **falsify** the results of the study.

- euro** *n.* the official currency of most European Union countries
(1) the value of the **Euro**, (2) **Euro** crises
Some countries may leave the **Euro**.
- laundry** *n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
synonym: wash, clothes, linen
(1) send out the **laundry**, (2) **laundry** room
I need to do the **laundry** before I run out of clean clothes.
- bribe** *v.* to try to make someone do something to gain one's favors or influence by giving a gift of money or other inducements
synonym: graft, corrupt
(1) **bribe** a politician, (2) **bribe** him with food
He tries to **bribe** the ship's captain to export illegal products.
- firm** *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
synonym: stable, secure, steadfast
(1) **firm** grip, (2) accounting **firm**
The **firm** deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.
- bet** *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
synonym: stake, wager, gamble
(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future
I **bet** that you know it.
- thug** *n.* a violent or criminal individual, especially one who is part of a group or gang
synonym: gangster, hooligan, criminal
(1) local **thug**, (2) notorious **thug**

The police arrested the **thug** who robbed the convenience store.

convincing

adj. able to make someone believe that something is true

synonym: clear, compelling, believable

(1) a **convincing** victory, (2) **convincing** biochemical explanation

I found her assertion pretty **convincing**.

invoice

n. a bill or statement of charges for goods or services provided, typically containing details such as quantity, price, and date of delivery or service

synonym: bill, statement, receipt

(1) **invoice** number, (2) unpaid **invoice**

The **invoice** for the new product shipment arrived in the mail today.

compete

v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

synonym: contend, contest, vie

(1) **compete** against a friend, (2) **compete** fiercely

You must **compete** with others to obtain this position.

attend

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

synonym: go, be present, accompany

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

We must **attend** to this matter.

automotive

adj. of or relating to motor vehicles

synonym: self-propelling

(1) **automotive** manufacturing, (2) an **automotive** transport company

Our company is an **automotive** component supplier to motor manufacturers.

exhibition

n. a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery

synonym : display, show, presentation

(1) a personal **exhibition**, (2) **exhibition** opening

The art museum is hosting an **exhibition** of contemporary paintings next month.

flash

n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

synonym : sparkle, gleam, glimmer

(1) a **flash** of lightning, (2) brilliant **flash**

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

brochure

n. a small book or pamphlet advertising a product, service, or place of interest

synonym : pamphlet, leaflet, booklet

(1) company **brochure**, (2) informative **brochure**

The travel agency provided us with a **brochure** outlining the city's attractions.

underneath

adv. under or below something else

synonym : below, under, beneath

(1) **underneath** the surface of the water, (2) **underneath** the laughter

The penny fell **underneath** the piano.

faulty

adj. having a defect or flaw that affects performance or operation

synonym : defective, flawed, imperfect

(1) **faulty** equipment, (2) make a **faulty** diagnosis

The **faulty** wiring caused a power outage.

estimate

v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

synonym : calculate, gauge, evaluate

(1) **estimate** a fair value, (2) **estimate** this chicken to weigh

three pounds

We **estimated** the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

underground

adj. under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force

synonym: subterranean, subsurface, confidential

(1) water flowing **underground**, (2) **underground** activist

Having **underground** parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.

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.

damage

v. to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity

synonym: harm, impair, injure

(1) **damage** a relationship, (2) **damage** assessment

During the surgery, the doctor had to be extremely cautious not to **damage** a blood vessel.

frightening

adj. causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming

synonym: scary, terrifying, alarming

(1) cast **frightening** eyes, (2) **frightening** experience

The news of the pandemic was a **frightening** reminder of the fragility of human health.

cigarette

n. a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking

synonym : smoke, cigar, tobacco

(1) a mild **cigarette**, (2) a **cigarette** case

He lit a **cigarette** and leaned against the wall.

pirate

n. (especially in the past) a person who attacks and robs ships at sea

synonym : buccaneer, corsair, privateer

(1) **pirate** treasure, (2) video **pirate**

The **pirate** captain ordered his crew to attack the merchant ship.

ammunition

n. supplies, such as bullets or shells, used by armed forces

synonym : bullets, cartridges, shells

(1) **ammunition** storage, (2) **ammunition** depot

The soldiers were equipped with ample **ammunition** for the battle.

ingredient

n. one of the things used to make something, especially one of the foods used to make a particular dish

synonym : element, component

(1) secret **ingredients**, (2) compound the **ingredients**

Greed is the primary **ingredient** in the making of criminals.

monitor

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

synonym : proctor, check, observe

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

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

communicate

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

synonym : convey, share, transmit

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

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

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

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym: transition, change, modification

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

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

extremism

n. the holding of extreme political or religious views; actions or beliefs that fall outside of what is considered acceptable or reasonable

synonym: fanaticism, radicalism, zealotry

(1) violent **extremism**, (2) political **extremism**

The rise of far-right **extremism** has sparked concern among many civil rights organizations.

petty

adj. of little importance, trivial or insignificant; characterized by an undue concern for small details or rules; mean or spiteful in trivial matters

synonym: minor, insignificant, trivial

(1) **petty** crime, (2) **petty** cash

The **petty** arguments between coworkers were causing a toxic work environment.

threat

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

synonym: menace, danger, hazard

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

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

proceeds

n. the money or profit earned from a particular activity or venture; the total amount collected from a sale or fundraiser

synonym: earnings, profits, income

(1) **proceeds** of a sale, (2) criminal **proceeds**

The **proceeds** from the charity auction will go towards building a school in a developing country.

faraway

adj. located at a geographically distant place; remote or separated by distance; distant or not easily accessible

synonym: distant, remote, far-off

(1) **faraway** land, (2) **faraway** dream

The view from the **faraway** hilltop was breathtakingly beautiful.

commuter

n. a person who regularly travels long distances between their home and place of work, typically by public transportation or car

synonym: traveler, passenger

(1) **commuter** shuttle, (2) daily **commuter**

The **commuter** train was delayed due to a signal failure on the line.

bomb

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

synonym: missile, explosive, ammunition

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

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

recommend

v. to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role

synonym: advise, suggest, instruct

(1) **recommend** a hospitalization, (2) **recommend** reading

We **recommend** taking media training every six months.

explicit

adj. stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

synonym: clear, unambiguous, unequivocal

(1) **explicit** content, (2) **explicit** instructions

The movie had an **explicit** sex scene that some viewers might find offensive.

genuine

adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

synonym : actual, honest, unpretending

(1) a **genuine** article, (2) show **genuine** regret

Is this painting **genuine** or forged?

pose

v. to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed

synonym : present, put, position

(1) **pose** a significant threat to my company, (2) **pose** a challenge

The chemicals **pose** a massive health risk.

photograph

n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

synonym : photo, picture, snapshot

(1) **photograph** album, (2) **photograph** memories

I found an old **photograph** of my grandparents from their wedding day.

terrorism

n. the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act

(1) **terrorism** against civilians, (2) anti- **terrorism** bill

Democracy is utterly opposed to any form of **terrorism**.

doubt

n. a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

synonym : distrust, suspect, mistrust

(1) dispel **doubts**, (2) no **doubt** about the news

Doubt is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

helpless

adj. unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help

synonym : defenseless, powerless, susceptible

(1) **helpless** baby, (2) **helpless** victims

I feel so **helpless** without you.

cripple

v. to cause severe damage or injury that greatly impairs someone's ability to function or move; to weaken or undermine

synonym : disable, impair, paralyze

(1) **cripple** economy, (2) **cripple** opposition

The injury was severe enough to **cripple** the athlete's chances of playing again this season.

identify

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

synonym : determine, specify, recognize

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

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

tip

n. the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

synonym : edge, advice, gratuity

(1) the **tip** of a paintbrush, (2) give the waiter a **tip** .

I will introduce some **tips** on learning English in this class.

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.

sunglasses

n. a pair of darkened glasses worn to protect the eyes from harsh sunlight or glare

synonym : shades, eyewear, specs

(1) **sunglasses** case, (2) designer **sunglasses**

I always wear **sunglasses** outside to protect my eyes from the sun's harmful rays.

lens

n. a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

synonym : glass

(1) a convex **lens**, (2) a **lens** with a wide angle

The photographer took this photo using a telephoto **lens**.

medical

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

synonym : health, disease, treatment

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

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

insure

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

synonym : protect, guard, safeguard

(1) **insure** my house against fire, (2) **insure** domestic tranquility

I will **insure** my car before I go on a road trip.

bankruptcy

n. the legal status of a person or business that cannot repay debts to creditors

synonym : insolvency, default, ruin

(1) **bankruptcy** court, (2) **bankruptcy** filing

The **bankruptcy** of the company has left many workers without jobs.

expire

v. to come to the end of the period of validity of a document, authorization, agreement, etc.

synonym : run out, terminate, cease

(1) **expires** next month, (2) it will **expire**

I forgot to renew my driver's license, and it **expired**.

domain

n. a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise

synonym: territory, realm, sphere

(1) **domain** of use, (2) a dependent **domain**

The company's **domain** in the market was expanding to new territories.

rank

n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

synonym: position, status, standing

(1) **rank** amateur, (2) high **rank**

He was promoted to the **rank** of captain in the military.

scream

v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

synonym: cry, shout, yell

(1) **scream** a profanity, (2) **scream** at him to be quiet

She kept **screaming** for an ambulance.

overrun

v. to invade or occupy a place or territory by force, especially in large numbers; (noun) the act of taking control or overwhelming something or someone

synonym: invade, conquer, occupy

(1) **overrun** an area, (2) garden **overrun** with weeds

The invading army quickly may **overrun** the small country and took control of its capital city.

straight

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

synonym: linear, honest, consecutive

(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months

He was sick for five **straight** days.

comic

adj. funny and making you laugh

synonym: amusing, funny, humorous

(1) **comic** books, (2) a **comic** hat

The novel is **comic** and tragic.

checkout

n. the place in a store where customers pay for their purchases and receive a receipt; the process of paying for something and leaving a store or website

synonym : payment, billing, settlement

(1) self- **checkout**, (2) express **checkout**

The shopping trip ended with a long wait in the **checkout** line.

HTTP

n. (an abbreviation for "Hypertext Transfer Protocol") a protocol used for transmitting and receiving information on the internet, commonly used in website addresses

(1) **HTTP** methods, (2) **HTTP** server

You can access the website through the **HTTP** protocol.

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym : mark, character, insignia

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

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

tab

n. a small flap or strip of material attached to or projecting from something; the key on a typewriter or a word processor that causes a tabulation; a bill

synonym : tag, label, marker

(1) split a dinner **tab**, (2) open a **tab**

He kept a **tab** on his expenses by writing them down in a notebook.

indicate

v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly

synonym : hint, suggest, show

(1) **indicate** a preference, (2) **indicate** an error

The data **indicates** that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.

creditor *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**
I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

hunt *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
synonym: chase, pursuit, quest
(1) **hunt** a job, (2) **hunt** after knowledge
Hounds **hunt** their prey by using their keen scent.

generic *adj.* not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product
synonym: common, ordinary, typical
(1) a **generic** product, (2) **generic** version
The **generic** aspirin brand was just as effective as the name brand but much cheaper.

rip *v.* to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly
synonym: tear, cut, slit
(1) **rip** a notebook apart, (2) **rip** a hole in the roof
During transit, the stuff may **rip** off the luggage tag.

fictional *adj.* imaginary and not real; of or related to literary fiction
synonym: imaginary, invented, made-up
(1) **fictional** character, (2) non- **fictional** text
The names of the company are entirely **fictional**.

detective *n.* a person whose job it is to find out information about crimes and find out who did them
synonym: gumshoe, investigator, hawkshaw
(1) **detective** work, (2) **detective** movie
The **detective** diligently pursued his cases.

afoot *adj.* in progress; happening or being planned; on foot
synonym: underway, ongoing, proceeding
(1) plans are **afoot**, (2) go to the village **afoot**

His secretive plan to propose is **afoot**.

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.

platform

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

synonym: stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise

The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

scam

n. a clever and dishonest, and often illegal, business scheme; a fraud

synonym: swindle, blackmail, deception

(1) a phishing **scam**, (2) **scam** phone call

That bank employee prevented the older woman from falling for the **scam**.

plain

adj. without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

synonym: basic, straight, bare

(1) **plain** answer, (2) delta **plain**

The lowest lowland region is mostly flat **plain**.

sight

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

synonym: vision, spectacle, view

(1) an unexpected **sight**, (2) dull **sight**

Many famous **sights** are within walking distance.

Session 2: Spelling

1. company br____re
n. a small book or pamphlet advertising a product, service, or place of interest
2. unpaid in____e
n. a bill or statement of charges for goods or services provided, typically containing details such as quantity, price, and date of delivery or service
3. brand l__o
n. a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials
4. con_____ng biochemical explanation
adj. able to make someone believe that something is true
5. go to the village af__t
adj. in progress; happening or being planned; on foot
6. economic th____t
n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
7. cr____c language
adj. having a hidden or obscure meaning or message; mysterious or puzzling in nature
8. un____l a knit
v. undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it
9. the wan light of d__n
n. the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

ANSWERS: 1. brochure, 2. invoice, 3. logo, 4. convincing, 5. afoot, 6. threat, 7. cryptic, 8. unravel, 9. dawn

10. water flowing und_____nd *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
11. garden ov_____n with weeds *v.* to invade or occupy a place or territory by force, especially in large numbers; (noun) the act of taking control or overwhelming something or someone
12. fi_____al character *adj.* imaginary and not real; of or related to literary fiction
13. the average life s___n *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
14. cl___g tightly to the skin *v.* to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
15. informative br_____re *n.* a small book or pamphlet advertising a product, service, or place of interest
16. tr___d water *v.* to step or walk on something
17. a leg_____te child *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
18. H___P methods *n.* (an abbreviation for "Hypertext Transfer Protocol") a protocol used for transmitting and receiving information on the internet, commonly used in website addresses
19. ov_____n an area *v.* to invade or occupy a place or territory by force, especially in large numbers; (noun) the act of taking control or overwhelming something or someone

ANSWERS: 10. underground, 11. overrun, 12. fictional, 13. span, 14. cling, 15. brochure, 16. tread, 17. legitimate, 18. HTTP, 19. overrun

20. he_____ss victims *adj.* unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help
21. a television ad_____t for the product *v.* an advertisement; (verb) to make reference to something in speaking or writing
22. pro_____te street *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
23. ex_____it content *adj.* stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt
24. non-fi_____al text *adj.* imaginary and not real; of or related to literary fiction
25. a ci_____te case *n.* a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking
26. co_____nt urinary diversion *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
27. co_____e fiercely *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
28. br__e a politician *v.* to try to make someone do something to gain one's favors or influence by giving a gift of money or other inducements
29. b_t on a race *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

ANSWERS: 20. helpless, 21. advert, 22. prostitute, 23. explicit, 24. fictional, 25. cigarette, 26. continent, 27. compete, 28. bribe, 29. bet

30. bl__k in astonishment *v.* to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way
31. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
32. bu___t train *n.* a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
33. age-old cl___e *n.* a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement
34. the value of the E__o *n.* the official currency of most European Union countries
35. br__e pedal *n.* a device used to slow or stop a moving vehicle, typically by applying pressure to the wheels
36. dull si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
37. pattern st___h *n.* one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn
38. tu___y breast meat *n.* (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans
39. cr_____e economy *v.* to cause severe damage or injury that greatly impairs someone's ability to function or move; to weaken or undermine

ANSWERS: 30. blink, 31. communicate, 32. bullet, 33. cliché, 34. euro, 35. brake, 36. sight, 37. stitch, 38. turkey, 39. cripple

40. apply the br__e *n.* a device used to slow or stop a moving vehicle, typically by applying pressure to the wheels
41. fa____y dream *adj.* located at a geographically distant place; remote or separated by distance; distant or not easily accessible
42. ho____le smell *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
43. 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
44. sc___m at him to be quiet *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
45. a preliminary inv_____ion *n.* the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime, problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth
46. assign a tr_____rk *n.* a name or symbol on a product that indicates it was made by a particular company and cannot be used without permission by other companies
47. a dependent do___n *n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
48. a p_t bird *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
49. s__m phone call *n.* a clever and dishonest, and often illegal, business scheme; a fraud

ANSWERS: 40. brake, 41. faraway, 42. horrible, 43. scroll, 44. scream, 45. investigation, 46. trademark, 47. domain, 48. pet, 49. scam

50. 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
51. a man of pr____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
52. delta pl__n *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
53. s__r over ideas *v.* to engage in boxing or other combat sports with a partner for practice or training purposes; to practice fighting or defending oneself using light blows or drills
54. a st____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
55. do___n of use *n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
56. a st___h in a garment *n.* one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn
57. human in____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
58. se__e a person's property *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

ANSWERS: 50. rev, 51. property, 52. plain, 53. spar, 54. straight, 55. domain, 56. stitch, 57. intellect, 58. seize

66. an aut_____ve transport company *adj.* of or relating to motor vehicles
67. daily co_____er *n.* a person who regularly travels long distances between their home and place of work, typically by public transportation or car
68. the cr_____or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
69. accounting f__m *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
70. p__n checkmate *n.* a piece in the game of chess that can be moved only forward and captured only diagonally; (verb) leave as a guarantee in return for money
71. private inv_____tor *n.* a person whose job is to conduct an investigation or inquiry into something, often to gather information or evidence
72. al__y wheels *n.* a metal made by combining two or more metallic elements, especially to give greater strength or resistance to corrosion
73. ty_____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
74. dispel do__ts *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

ANSWERS: 66. automotive, 67. commuter, 68. creditor, 69. firm, 70. pawn, 71. investigator, 72. alloy, 73. typical, 74. doubt

75. a convex l__s *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
76. vi___m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
77. ad_____se on social media *v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
78. remove lo__e hair *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
79. cou_____it document *adj.* made in imitation of something else to deceive or defraud; not genuine or authentic
80. in_____te an error *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
81. a me_____l opinion *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
82. ex_____ge a few friendly words *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

ANSWERS: 75. lens, 76. victim, 77. advertise, 78. loose, 79. counterfeit, 80. indicate, 81. medical, 82. exchange

83. st____e at low temperature *n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information
84. sy___l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
85. unh_____of success *adj.* extraordinary or unprecedented, and therefore surprising or shocking
86. fairly ty_____l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
87. secure with a pa_____k *n.* a portable lock used to fasten or secure something, typically with a U-shaped metal bar hinged at one end and secured by a detachable part, usually a key or combination
88. the s__n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
89. th___d a catheter *n.* a fine cord of natural or synthetic fibers or filaments, such as cotton or nylon, used in sewing, knitting, or weaving; a series of connected messages or comments on a social media platform or online forum, often related to a particular topic; a sequence or line of events, ideas, or actions that are connected or related; (verb) to pass a thread through a needle or other small opening, in preparation for sewing or stitching

ANSWERS: 83. storage, 84. symbol, 85. unheard-of, 86. typical, 87. padlock, 88. span, 89. thread

90. c__e business activity *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
91. gr__m duties *v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat
92. co____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
93. a fl__h of lightning *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
94. pe__y cash *adj.* of little importance, trivial or insignificant; characterized by an undue concern for small details or rules; mean or spiteful in trivial matters
95. co____e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
96. l__o design *n.* a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials
97. gr__m a horse *v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat
98. show ge____e regret *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
99. co__c books *adj.* funny and making you laugh

ANSWERS: 90. core, 91. groom, 92. consume, 93. flash, 94. petty, 95. consume, 96. logo, 97. groom, 98. genuine, 99. comic

100. aut_____ve manufacturing	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to motor vehicles
101. violent ex_____sm	<i>n.</i> the holding of extreme political or religious views; actions or beliefs that fall outside of what is considered acceptable or reasonable
102. mo_____r an exam	<i>v.</i> to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
103. anti-te_____sm bill	<i>n.</i> the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act
104. at____d a meeting	<i>v.</i> to be present at an event, to go to a place
105. h__t a job	<i>v.</i> to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
106. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist	<i>v.</i> to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
107. air-r__d siren	<i>n.</i> a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
108. at____d service	<i>v.</i> to be present at an event, to go to a place
109. r__k amateur	<i>n.</i> a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
110. te_____sm against civilians	<i>n.</i> the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act

ANSWERS: 100. automotive, 101. extremism, 102. monitor, 103. terrorism, 104. attend, 105. hunt, 106. communicate, 107. raid, 108. attend, 109. rank, 110. terrorism

111. brilliant fl__h *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
112. und_____th the surface of the water *adv.* under or below something else
113. inv_____te a data leak *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
114. bl__k his eyes *v.* to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way
115. in___t over and over *v.* to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say
116. cr_____e opposition *v.* to cause severe damage or injury that greatly impairs someone's ability to function or move; to weaken or undermine
117. no do__t about the news *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
118. co_____er shuttle *n.* a person who regularly travels long distances between their home and place of work, typically by public transportation or car
119. fa_____y land *adj.* located at a geographically distant place; remote or separated by distance; distant or not easily accessible

ANSWERS: 111. flash, 112. underneath, 113. investigate, 114. blink, 115. insist, 116. cripple, 117. doubt, 118. commuter, 119. faraway

120. fa____y documents *v.* to alter or manipulate information, data, or evidence to deceive or mislead; to prove to be false or incorrect
121. co____e against a friend *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
122. a phishing s__m *n.* a clever and dishonest, and often illegal, business scheme; a fraud
123. ex____it instructions *adj.* stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt
124. E__o crises *n.* the official currency of most European Union countries
125. te____le heart *adj.* revealing or betraying information or evidence; serving as a sign or indicator of something
126. make a r__d on an enemy's camp *n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
127. cr____al investigation *n.* a person who has committed a crime
128. air co____or *n.* a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure
129. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
130. the scope of an inv_____ion *n.* the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime, problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth
131. luxury ya__t *n.* a large, luxurious sailing vessel or motorboat that is often used for pleasure cruises, racing, or other leisure activities

ANSWERS: 120. falsify, 121. compete, 122. scam, 123. explicit, 124. euro, 125. telltale, 126. raid, 127. criminal, 128. corridor, 129. shift, 130. investigation, 131. yacht

132. high r__k *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
133. temporary me_____l treatment *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
134. the br__d of the new car *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
135. s__k a lot of capital *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
136. crack of d__n *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
137. p__e a significant threat to my company *v.* to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed
138. tra_____ng operation *n.* the illegal trade in goods, services, or people, often across national borders
139. amm_____on depot *n.* supplies, such as bullets or shells, used by armed forces
140. a co__c hat *adj.* funny and making you laugh
141. fa___y equipment *adj.* having a defect or flaw that affects performance or operation
142. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

ANSWERS: 132. rank, 133. medical, 134. brand, 135. sink, 136. dawn, 137. pose, 138. trafficking, 139. ammunition, 140. comic, 141. faulty, 142. platform

143. secret ing_____nts *n.* one of the things used to make something, especially one of the foods used to make a particular dish
144. new fa_____n trends *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
145. a glass t__e *n.* a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape
146. a rental wa_____se *n.* a large building for storing goods and merchandise, especially before they are sold, used, or sent out to shops
147. ex___es next month *v.* to come to the end of the period of validity of a document, authorization, agreement, etc.
148. cast fri_____ng eyes *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
149. fri_____ng experience *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
150. inv_____te the matter *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
151. in___t on a clear answer *v.* to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say
152. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 143. ingredient, 144. fashion, 145. tube, 146. warehouse, 147. expire, 148. frightening, 149. frightening, 150. investigate, 151. insist, 152. intellect

153. walk along a co____or *n.* a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure
154. sc___m a profanity *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
155. ban_____cy court *n.* the legal status of a person or business that cannot repay debts to creditors
156. p__e a challenge *v.* to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed
157. he_____ss baby *adj.* unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help
158. bureaucratic pa_____rk *n.* administrative tasks that involve writing or typing documents
159. gl___e at him miserably *v.* to give a quick or brief look; to hit something at an angle
160. a person who is sus_____us *adj.* making you feel that someone has done something wrong, illegal, or dishonest without any evidence
161. ex_____ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
162. report sus_____us activity *adj.* making you feel that someone has done something wrong, illegal, or dishonest without any evidence

ANSWERS: 153. corridor, 154. scream, 155. bankruptcy, 156. pose, 157. helpless, 158. paperwork, 159. glance, 160. suspicious, 161. exchange, 162. suspicious

163. the c__e of an apple *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
164. und_____nd activist *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
165. unh_____of in the previous generation *adj.* extraordinary or unprecedented, and therefore surprising or shocking
166. p__o shirt *n.* a sport played on horseback in which two teams try to hit a ball through a goal using long-handled mallets
167. spread of f__e news *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
168. es_____te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
169. te_____le evidence *adj.* revealing or betraying information or evidence; serving as a sign or indicator of something
170. express ch_____ut *n.* the place in a store where customers pay for their purchases and receive a receipt; the process of paying for something and leaving a store or website
171. chemical pr_____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
172. bu____t wound *n.* a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
173. an egg sh__l *n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals
174. pe__y crime *adj.* of little importance, trivial or insignificant; characterized by an undue concern for small details or rules; mean or spiteful in trivial matters

ANSWERS: 163. core, 164. underground, 165. unheard-of, 166. polo, 167. fake, 168. estimate, 169. telltale, 170. checkout, 171. property, 172. bullet, 173. shell, 174. petty

175. a personal exh_____on *n.* a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery
176. re_____nd a hospitalization *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
177. tr__d a similar path *v.* to step or walk on something
178. in_____te a preference *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
179. a ge_____c product *adj.* not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product
180. sc_____h off a name *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
181. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
182. p__n my jewelry *n.* a piece in the game of chess that can be moved only forward and captured only diagonally; (verb) leave as a guarantee in return for money
183. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
184. enameled le_____r *n.* a material made from the skin of an animal, typically by tanning, and used for clothing, shoes, furniture, and other items

ANSWERS: 175. exhibition, 176. recommend, 177. tread, 178. indicate, 179. generic, 180. scratch, 181. involve, 182. pawn, 183. massive, 184. leather

185. an arrival pl_____m *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
186. gross pr____t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
187. atomic b__bs *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
188. wa_____se debt *n.* a large building for storing goods and merchandise, especially before they are sold, used, or sent out to shops
189. id_____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
190. de_____ve movie *n.* a person whose job it is to find out information about crimes and find out who did them
191. ve____l communication *adj.* expressed in spoken rather than written words
192. send out the la_____y *n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
193. go out of fa_____n *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
194. pl__n answer *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

ANSWERS: 185. platform, 186. profit, 187. bomb, 188. warehouse, 189. identify, 190. detective, 191. verbal, 192. laundry, 193. fashion, 194. plain

195. the inland of a co_____nt *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
196. g__g member *n.* a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity
197. death pe_____y *n.* a punishment for violating a law, rule, or contract
198. pa_____rk process *n.* administrative tasks that involve writing or typing documents
199. cr_____c crossword *adj.* having a hidden or obscure meaning or message; mysterious or puzzling in nature
200. 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
201. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
202. corner of the pe_____y area *n.* a punishment for violating a law, rule, or contract
203. narcotic tra_____ng *n.* the illegal trade in goods, services, or people, often across national borders
204. a motorcycle g__g *n.* a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity
205. al__s name *n.* an assumed or false name often used to conceal one's true identity; (adverb) as known or named at another time or place

ANSWERS: 195. continent, 196. gang, 197. penalty, 198. paperwork, 199. cryptic, 200. rev, 201. massive, 202. penalty, 203. trafficking, 204. gang, 205. alias

206. the t_p of a paintbrush *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
207. a lo__e tongue *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
208. 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
209. leg_____te question *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
210. sun_____es case *n.* a pair of darkened glasses worn to protect the eyes from harsh sunlight or glare
211. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
212. create a br__d logo *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
213. cl___e plot *n.* a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement

ANSWERS: 206. tip, 207. loose, 208. economy, 209. legitimate, 210. sunglasses, 211. identify, 212. brand, 213. cliché

214. da___e a relationship *v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity
215. designer sun_____es *n.* a pair of darkened glasses worn to protect the eyes from harsh sunlight or glare
216. gl___e around nervously *v.* to give a quick or brief look; to hit something at an angle
217. an unexpected si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
218. a st_____e battery *n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information
219. amm_____on storage *n.* supplies, such as bullets or shells, used by armed forces
220. video pi___e *n.* (especially in the past) a person who attacks and robs ships at sea
221. tax re___f *n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
222. ho_____le accident *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
223. und_____th the laughter *adv.* under or below something else

ANSWERS: 214. damage, 215. sunglasses, 216. glance, 217. sight, 218. storage, 219. ammunition, 220. pirate, 221. relief, 222. horrible, 223. underneath

224. wanted cr____al *n.* a person who has committed a crime
225. make a fa___y diagnosis *adj.* having a defect or flaw that affects performance or operation
226. pho_____ph memories *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
227. s__r with a partner *v.* to engage in boxing or other combat sports with a partner for practice or training purposes; to practice fighting or defending oneself using light blows or drills
228. it will ex___e *v.* to come to the end of the period of validity of a document, authorization, agreement, etc.
229. s__k a buzzer-beater *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
230. ad_____se the campaign *v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
231. clinical inv_____tor *n.* a person whose job is to conduct an investigation or inquiry into something, often to gather information or evidence
232. a l__s with a wide angle *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

ANSWERS: 224. criminal, 225. faulty, 226. photograph, 227. spar, 228. expire, 229. sink, 230. advertise, 231. investigator, 232. lens

233. pho_____ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
234. ca___y yellow *n.* a small, typically yellow songbird that is often kept as a pet or used to denote the presence of gas or other hazards in a mine
235. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
236. a mild ci_____te *n.* a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking
237. pu__h out numbers *v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
238. de_____ve work *n.* a person whose job it is to find out information about crimes and find out who did them
239. sc_____on fish *n.* a small creature similar to an insect with a segmented body, a pair of pincers, and a long, thin tail that ends in a venomous sting
240. swell like a tu___y *n.* (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans
241. a con_____ng victory *adj.* able to make someone believe that something is true

ANSWERS: 233. photograph, 234. canary, 235. shift, 236. cigarette, 237. punch, 238. detective, 239. scorpion, 240. turkey, 241. convincing

252. f__e police officer *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
253. a male pro_____te *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
254. open a t_b *n.* a small flap or strip of material attached to or projecting from something; the key on a typewriter or a word processor that causes a tabulation; a bill
255. self-ch_____ut *n.* the place in a store where customers pay for their purchases and receive a receipt; the process of paying for something and leaving a store or website
256. fa_____y data *v.* to alter or manipulate information, data, or evidence to deceive or mislead; to prove to be false or incorrect
257. pi___e treasure *n.* (especially in the past) a person who attacks and robs ships at sea
258. es_____te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
259. environmental th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
260. make a pr____t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

ANSWERS: 252. fake, 253. prostitute, 254. tab, 255. checkout, 256. falsify, 257. pirate, 258. estimate, 259. threat, 260. profit

261. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
262. vi____m compensation *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
263. un_____l a plot *v.* undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it
264. f__m grip *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
265. in____e my house against fire *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
266. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
267. poisonous sc_____on *n.* a small creature similar to an insect with a segmented body, a pair of pincers, and a long, thin tail that ends in a venomous sting
268. b_t my future *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
269. r_p a hole in the roof *v.* to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly

ANSWERS: 261. involve, 262. victim, 263. unravel, 264. firm, 265. insure, 266. straight, 267. scorpion, 268. bet, 269. rip

270. la____y room *n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
271. a ge____e article *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
272. r_t with age *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
273. tr____rk license *n.* a name or symbol on a product that indicates it was made by a particular company and cannot be used without permission by other companies
274. a capillary t__e *n.* a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape
275. criminal pr____ds *n.* the money or profit earned from a particular activity or venture; the total amount collected from a sale or fundraiser
276. get into the lu____y car market *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
277. cl__g onto power *v.* to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
278. give the waiter a t_p. *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

ANSWERS: 270. laundry, 271. genuine, 272. rot, 273. trademark, 274. tube, 275. proceeds, 276. luxury, 277. cling, 278. tip

279. ca___y bird *n.* a small, typically yellow songbird that is often kept as a pet or used to denote the presence of gas or other hazards in a mine
280. te___r group *n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
281. local t___g *n.* a violent or criminal individual, especially one who is part of a group or gang
282. pr_____ds of a sale *n.* the money or profit earned from a particular activity or venture; the total amount collected from a sale or fundraiser
283. sigh of re___f *n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
284. mo_____r the data carefully *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
285. in___e domestic tranquility *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
286. disarm the b___b *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
287. p___o championship *n.* a sport played on horseback in which two teams try to hit a ball through a goal using long-handled mallets
288. thousands of in_____nt people *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge

ANSWERS: 279. canary, 280. terror, 281. thug, 282. proceeds, 283. relief, 284. monitor, 285. insure, 286. bomb, 287. polo, 288. innocent

289. 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
290. a mollusk sh__l *n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals
291. bankrupt cr____or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
292. br__e him with food *v.* to try to make someone do something to gain one's favors or influence by giving a gift of money or other inducements
293. H__P server *n.* (an abbreviation for "Hypertext Transfer Protocol") a protocol used for transmitting and receiving information on the internet, commonly used in website addresses
294. ya__t owner *n.* a large, luxurious sailing vessel or motorboat that is often used for pleasure cruises, racing, or other leisure activities
295. h__t after knowledge *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
296. sy____l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
297. a teacher's p_t *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

ANSWERS: 289. economy, 290. shell, 291. creditor, 292. bribe, 293. HTTP, 294. yacht, 295. hunt, 296. symbol, 297. pet

298. ve___l abuse *adj.* expressed in spoken rather than written words
299. lu___y hotel *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
300. le____r boots *n.* a material made from the skin of an animal, typically by tanning, and used for clothing, shoes, furniture, and other items
301. heavy-duty pa____k *n.* a portable lock used to fasten or secure something, typically with a U-shaped metal bar hinged at one end and secured by a detachable part, usually a key or combination
302. notorious t__g *n.* a violent or criminal individual, especially one who is part of a group or gang
303. da___e assessment *v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity
304. sc____h my signature *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
305. an in____nt child *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
306. 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

ANSWERS: 298. verbal, 299. luxury, 300. leather, 301. padlock, 302. thug, 303. damage, 304. scratch, 305. innocent, 306. scroll

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. She turned to _____ to make ends meet.
n. a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment

2. The aircraft was made using a lightweight _____ of aluminum and titanium.
n. a metal made by combining two or more metallic elements, especially to give greater strength or resistance to corrosion

3. The company's sales reached an _____ level, breaking all previous records.
adj. extraordinary or unprecedented, and therefore surprising or shocking

4. Democracy is utterly opposed to any form of _____.
n. the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act

5. 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

6. That style is no longer in _____.
n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

7. The soldiers were equipped with ample _____ for the battle.
n. supplies, such as bullets or shells, used by armed forces

8. The company hired a team of experts to identify _____ products in their supply chain.
adj. made in imitation of something else to deceive or defraud; not genuine or authentic

ANSWERS: 1. prostitute, 2. alloy, 3. unheard-of, 4. terrorism, 5. scroll, 6. fashion, 7. ammunition, 8. counterfeit

9. I will introduce some _____ on learning English in this class.
- n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
10. The bomb blast spread _____ among the people.
- n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
11. 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
12. The _____ diligently pursued his cases.
- n.* a person whose job it is to find out information about crimes and find out who did them
13. Please refrigerate the meat, or it will _____.
- v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
14. The news of the pandemic was a _____ reminder of the fragility of human health.
- adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
15. The detective followed a _____ of clues which ultimately led to the suspect's arrest.
- n.* a fine cord of natural or synthetic fibers or filaments, such as cotton or nylon, used in sewing, knitting, or weaving; a series of connected messages or comments on a social media platform or online forum, often related to a particular topic; a sequence or line of events, ideas, or actions that are connected or related; (verb) to pass a thread through a needle or other small opening, in preparation for sewing or stitching

ANSWERS: 9. tips, 10. terror, 11. economy, 12. detective, 13. rot, 14. frightening, 15. thread

16. The shopping trip ended with a long wait in the _____ line.
- n.* the place in a store where customers pay for their purchases and receive a receipt; the process of paying for something and leaving a store or website
17. During the surgery, the doctor had to be extremely cautious not to _____ a blood vessel.
- v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity
18. The forensic _____ collected DNA samples from the crime scene to identify the perpetrator
- n.* a person whose job is to conduct an investigation or inquiry into something, often to gather information or evidence
19. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
- n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
20. The invading army quickly may _____ the small country and took control of its capital city.
- v.* to invade or occupy a place or territory by force, especially in large numbers; (noun) the act of taking control or overwhelming something or someone
21. I ____ that you know it.
- v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

ANSWERS: 16. checkout, 17. damage, 18. investigator, 19. threat, 20. overrun, 21. bet

22. Our company is an _____ component supplier to motor manufacturers.
adj. of or relating to motor vehicles
23. The _____ train was delayed due to a signal failure on the line.
n. a person who regularly travels long distances between their home and place of work, typically by public transportation or car
24. I have a parrot as a _____.
n. an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
25. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
26. The company's logo is a registered _____ on a global scale.
n. a name or symbol on a product that indicates it was made by a particular company and cannot be used without permission by other companies
27. I found an old _____ of my grandparents from their wedding day.
n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
28. The wound was so deep that it needed a surgical procedure and _____.
n. one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn
29. This business yields little _____.
n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

ANSWERS: 22. automotive, 23. commuter, 24. pet, 25. intellect, 26. trademark, 27. photograph, 28. stitches, 29. profit

30. The company's _____ in the market was expanding to new territories.
n. a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
31. The _____ captain ordered his crew to attack the merchant ship.
n. (especially in the past) a person who attacks and robs ships at sea
32. The travel agency provided us with a _____ outlining the city's attractions.
n. a small book or pamphlet advertising a product, service, or place of interest
33. Throughout the _____ the bank robbers wore masks.
n. a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
34. There's a new _____ of hero in the movies now.
n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
35. We _____ taking media training every six months.
v. to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
36. These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic _____.
n. the most essential or fundamental part of something
37. He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian _____ fund.
n. a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

ANSWERS: 30. domain, 31. pirate, 32. brochure, 33. raid, 34. brand, 35. recommend, 36. cores, 37. relief

38. We want to _____ our company through your media.
- v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
39. His anti-_____ practices were quite strict.
- n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
40. I found her assertion pretty _____.
- adj.* able to make someone believe that something is true
41. The company's _____ was on the side of the building.
- n.* a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials
42. The use of cluster _____ is strictly prohibited by international law.
- n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
43. He was promoted to the _____ of captain in the military.
- n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
44. The _____ signs of a dishonest employee were missing files and constant delay.
- adj.* revealing or betraying information or evidence; serving as a sign or indicator of something
45. This artwork is _____ of her work.
- adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

ANSWERS: 38. advertise, 39. luxury, 40. convincing, 41. logo, 42. bombs, 43. rank, 44. telltale, 45. typical

46. My husband was found _____ of any crime.

adj. not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge

47. You must _____ with others to obtain this position.

v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

48. Many famous _____ are within walking distance.

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

49. The stray _____ went through the window and hit the wall.

n. a metal projectile that is shot from a gun

50. The _____ arguments between coworkers were causing a toxic work environment.

adj. of little importance, trivial or insignificant; characterized by an undue concern for small details or rules; mean or spiteful in trivial matters

51. We spent the weekend sailing our _____ around the Mediterranean.

n. a large, luxurious sailing vessel or motorboat that is often used for pleasure cruises, racing, or other leisure activities

52. The _____ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

n. a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

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

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

ANSWERS: 46. innocent, 47. compete, 48. sights, 49. bullet, 50. petty, 51. yacht, 52. victim, 53. medical

54. The committee _____ several apparent inconsistencies.
- v. to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
55. We must _____ to this matter.
- v. to be present at an event, to go to a place
56. The message was so _____ that I had no idea what it meant.
- adj. having a hidden or obscure meaning or message; mysterious or puzzling in nature
57. The _____ of the company has left many workers without jobs.
- n. the legal status of a person or business that cannot repay debts to creditors
58. Don't _____ your mosquito bites.
- v. to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
59. Detectives are still attempting to _____ the mystery of his death.
- v. undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it
60. The outermost electron _____ determines the chemical properties of an atom.
- n. hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals
61. He was sick for five _____ days.
- adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
62. Public political demonstrations are considered _____ rights for citizens.
- adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

ANSWERS: 54. investigated, 55. attend, 56. cryptic, 57. bankruptcy, 58. scratch, 59. unravel, 60. shell, 61. straight, 62. legitimate

63. The movie had an _____ sex scene that some viewers might find offensive.
adj. stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt
64. He used his watch as a _____ in the game of chess.
n. a piece in the game of chess that can be moved only forward and captured only diagonally; (verb) leave as a guarantee in return for money
65. I feel so _____ without you.
adj. unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help
66. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.
n. something visible that is used to represent something else
67. The fire ruined all the food stored in the _____.
n. a large building for storing goods and merchandise, especially before they are sold, used, or sent out to shops
68. We store customer data in cloud _____.
n. the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information
69. He lit a _____ and leaned against the wall.
n. a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking
70. The chemicals _____ a massive health risk.
v. to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed
71. I watched a thrilling _____ match at the club over the weekend.
n. a sport played on horseback in which two teams try to hit a ball through a goal using long-handled mallets

ANSWERS: 63. explicit, 64. pawn, 65. helpless, 66. symbol, 67. warehouse, 68. storage, 69. cigarette, 70. pose, 71. polo

72. We _____ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

73. The names of the company are entirely _____.

adj. imaginary and not real; of or related to literary fiction

74. I need to find the key to the _____ before I can open the storage unit.

n. a portable lock used to fasten or secure something, typically with a U-shaped metal bar hinged at one end and secured by a detachable part, usually a key or combination

75. You can access the website through the _____ protocol.

n. (an abbreviation for "Hypertext Transfer Protocol") a protocol used for transmitting and receiving information on the internet, commonly used in website addresses

76. Using the same _____ phrase in every conversation can take time and effort.

n. a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement

77. They prepared a stuffed _____ for Thanksgiving.

n. (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans

78. The police are searching for the _____ who stole the jewels.

n. a person who has committed a crime

79. The _____ on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

ANSWERS: 72. estimated, 73. fictional, 74. padlock, 75. HTTP, 76. cliché, 77. turkey, 78. criminal, 79. label

80. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.
- n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
81. The _____ for the new product shipment arrived in the mail today.
- n.* a bill or statement of charges for goods or services provided, typically containing details such as quantity, price, and date of delivery or service
82. The _____ in the coal mine was used as an early warning system for miners about dangerous gases.
- n.* a small, typically yellow songbird that is often kept as a pet or used to denote the presence of gas or other hazards in a mine
83. My sister and I frequently _____ books, as we love reading.
- v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
84. I always wear _____ outside to protect my eyes from the sun's harmful rays.
- n.* a pair of darkened glasses worn to protect the eyes from harsh sunlight or glare
85. The lowest lowland region is mostly flat _____.
- adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
86. The penny fell _____ the piano.
- adv.* under or below something else

ANSWERS: 80. platform, 81. invoice, 82. canary, 83. exchange, 84. sunglasses, 85. plain, 86. underneath

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

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

88. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

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

89. We have never before conducted a legitimate _____.

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

90. Our company took out a big _____ next to the highway.

v. an advertisement; (verb) to make reference to something in speaking or writing

91. The author often writes under the _____ of a fictional character.

n. an assumed or false name often used to conceal one's true identity; (adverb) as known or named at another time or place

92. He stood to inherit a million-dollar _____.

n. a thing or things that belong to someone

93. The view from the _____ hilltop was breathtakingly beautiful.

adj. located at a geographically distant place; remote or separated by distance; distant or not easily accessible

94. The _____ jacket was worn in but still comfortable.

n. a material made from the skin of an animal, typically by tanning, and used for clothing, shoes, furniture, and other items

ANSWERS: 87. horrible, 88. communicate, 89. investigation, 90. advert, 91. alias, 92. property, 93. faraway, 94. leather

95. 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
96. He _____ the wall in anger.
- v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
97. Hounds ____ their prey by using their keen scent.
- v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
98. The art museum is hosting an _____ of contemporary paintings next month.
- n.* a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery
99. The long _____ was filled with people rushing to get to their rooms before the meeting began.
- n.* a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure
100. He slightly modified the ____ of training because it was just before a match.
- n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
101. That bank employee prevented the older woman from falling for the ____.
- n.* a clever and dishonest, and often illegal, business scheme; a fraud
102. The scientist was caught attempting to _____ the results of the study.
- v.* to alter or manipulate information, data, or evidence to deceive or mislead; to prove to be false or incorrect

ANSWERS: 95. rev, 96. punched, 97. hunt, 98. exhibition, 99. corridor, 100. span, 101. scam, 102. falsify

103. The _____ for the loan application was extensive.

n. administrative tasks that involve writing or typing documents

104. Flight across the _____ was a daring adventure in its day.

n. one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

105. His secretive plan to propose is _____.

adj. in progress; happening or being planned; on foot

106. We carefully examine each _____ transaction report we receive.

adj. making you feel that someone has done something wrong, illegal, or dishonest without any evidence

107. The inspector discovered _____ bolts under the fuel rods.

adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

108. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

109. He kept a _____ on his expenses by writing them down in a notebook.

n. a small flap or strip of material attached to or projecting from something; the key on a typewriter or a word processor that causes a tabulation; a bill

110. The _____ venom can be lethal to humans.

n. a small creature similar to an insect with a segmented body, a pair of pincers, and a long, thin tail that ends in a venomous sting

ANSWERS: 103. paperwork, 104. continent, 105. afoot, 106. suspicious, 107. loose, 108. massive, 109. tab, 110. scorpion's

111. I casually _____ into the small hut.

v. to give a quick or brief look; to hit something at an angle

112. The results of that election put a _____ on political reform.

n. a device used to slow or stop a moving vehicle, typically by applying pressure to the wheels

113. She kept _____ for an ambulance.

v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

114. The rise of far-right _____ has sparked concern among many civil rights organizations.

n. the holding of extreme political or religious views; actions or beliefs that fall outside of what is considered acceptable or reasonable

115. Greed is the primary _____ in the making of criminals.

n. one of the things used to make something, especially one of the foods used to make a particular dish

116. These heavy rains caused _____ floods on several islands.

n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

117. The _____ from the charity auction will go towards building a school in a developing country.

n. the money or profit earned from a particular activity or venture; the total amount collected from a sale or fundraiser

118. The _____ wiring caused a power outage.

adj. having a defect or flaw that affects performance or operation

ANSWERS: 111. glanced, 112. brake, 113. screaming, 114. extremism, 115. ingredient, 116. flash, 117. proceeds, 118. faulty

119. The photographer took this photo using a telephoto _____.
n. a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
120. He _____ in the dazzling sunlight.
v. to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way
121. They used a special receiver to _____ police radio channels.
v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
122. He has the superpower to _____ a business opportunity.
v. to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
123. The police arrested the _____ who robbed the convenience store.
n. a violent or criminal individual, especially one who is part of a group or gang
124. The data _____ that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.
v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
125. I will _____ my car before I go on a road trip.
v. to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
126. 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

ANSWERS: 119. lens, 120. blinked, 121. monitor, 122. seize, 123. thug, 124. indicates, 125. insure, 126. involves

127. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
128. He _____ to the hope that he will find a job soon.
v. to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
129. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.
n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
130. Human _____ is a serious issue that needs to be addressed by governments and organizations worldwide.
n. the illegal trade in goods, services, or people, often across national borders
131. Having _____ parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.
adj. under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
132. The injury was severe enough to _____ the athlete's chances of playing again this season.
v. to cause severe damage or injury that greatly impairs someone's ability to function or move; to weaken or undermine
133. I forgot to renew my driver's license, and it _____.
v. to come to the end of the period of validity of a document, authorization, agreement, etc.
134. The novel is _____ and tragic.
adj. funny and making you laugh

ANSWERS: 127. identify, 128. clings, 129. creditor, 130. trafficking, 131. underground, 132. cripple, 133. expired, 134. comic

135. I need to _____ my dog before his fur gets too long.

- v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat

136. The street _____ was known for its violent behavior.

- n.* a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity

137. Some countries may leave the _____.

- n.* the official currency of most European Union countries

138. _____ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

- n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

139. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.

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

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

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

141. Missile assaults on the capital continued around _____.

- n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

142. Could you help me _____ some furniture?

- n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

ANSWERS: 135. groom, 136. gang, 137. Euro, 138. Doubt, 139. consume, 140. firm, 141. dawn, 142. shift

143. He _____ carefully on the slippery ice.

v. to step or walk on something

144. The abandoned ship slowly began to _____ into the murky waters of the harbor.

v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

145. The _____ aspirin brand was just as effective as the name brand but much cheaper.

adj. not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product

146. The kayakers had to _____ with the strong winds and waves to reach the shore.

v. to engage in boxing or other combat sports with a partner for practice or training purposes; to practice fighting or defending oneself using light blows or drills

147. The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and _____ it

adj. not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

148. During transit, the stuff may _____ off the luggage tag.

v. to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly

149. He tries to _____ the ship's captain to export illegal products.

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

150. He _____ that she pay her debt to the last penny.

v. to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say

ANSWERS: 143. treads, 144. sink, 145. generic, 146. spar, 147. faked, 148. rip, 149. bribe, 150. insisted

151. The _____ train was packed with commuters during rush hour.

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

152. I need to do the _____ before I run out of clean clothes.

n. the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed

153. The lawyer was reinstated after paying the _____.

n. a punishment for violating a law, rule, or contract

154. Is this painting _____ or forged?

adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

155. The candidate must have excellent _____ skills.

adj. expressed in spoken rather than written words

ANSWERS: 151. tube, 152. laundry, 153. penalty, 154. genuine, 155. verbal