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Session 1: Word List

immigrant

n. a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently

synonym: settler, expatriate, emigrant

(1) **immigrant** communities, (2) an **immigrant** from the country

Police received a report of illegal **immigrants** in the area.

meringue

n. a sweet, whipped dessert topping made from egg whites and sugar, usually baked or cooked and used to top pies, cakes, or pastries

(1) **meringue** topping, (2) chocolate **meringue** pie

The **meringue** on the lemon pie was perfectly fluffy and sweet.

blast

n. explosion, or a strong current of air, usually caused by an explosion; a sudden, thunderous noise

synonym: blow, burst, explosion

(1) a **blast** of wind, (2) an icy **blast**

The **blast** shattered the laboratory equipment.

stoop

v. to bend forward and downward from the waist, often to pick something up or gain a better view; to lower oneself morally or socially

synonym : bend, crouch, bow

(1) **stoop** forward in the chair, (2) **stoop** to conquer

I had to **stoop** down to pick up the coin that had rolled under the couch.

animate

v. to make something full of interest and energy

synonym : invigorate, energize, enliven

(1) **animate** the body, (2) **animate** his soul

The positive attitude of the supervisor **animated** the discussion.

conversation

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

synonym : chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

domino

n. a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events

synonym : tile, block, ivory

(1) **domino** chain, (2) **domino** effect

We knocked over a stack of **dominoes** and watched them fall one by one.

conflict

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

synonym : clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

gunshot

n. the sound or act of firing a gun or other firearm, usually accompanied by a loud explosion and a projectile that is propelled toward the target

synonym : shot, blast, gunfire

(1) **gunshot** wound, (2) **gunshot** residue

The loud **gunshot** startled the wildlife in the nearby forest.

violent

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

synonym: aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

wit

n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

synonym: humor, comedy, funniness

(1) the **wit** of man, (2) full of **wit**

He has the **wit** to keep talking about this topic.

overtake

v. to catch up to and pass by someone or something that is in front of you, usually about moving vehicles; to come to a point where you become more successful, important, or influential than someone or something else

synonym: surpass, outstrip, catch up with

(1) **overtake** a rival, (2) **overtake** a milestone

The race car driver knew he had to **overtake** the other drivers to win the race.

poverty

n. the condition of being extremely poor

synonym: deprivation, destitution, poorness

(1) **poverty** alleviation, (2) the cycle of **poverty**

Many studies have investigated the relationship between **poverty** and academic achievement.

anxiety

n. a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future

synonym: concern, dread, agita

(1) diagnosis of **anxiety** disorder, (2) **anxiety** for knowledge

She waited for her daughter with **anxiety**.

spur

n. a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something

synonym: encouragement, motivation, stimulus

(1) **spur** of the moment, (2) **spur** a momentum of economic growth

The threat of losing his job was the **spur** he needed to work harder.

scholarship

n. a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements

synonym: grant, award, stipend

(1) a **scholarship** association, (2) college **scholarship**

She received a full **scholarship** to study abroad.

tow

v. to pull or haul something along by means of a rope, chain, or other devices, typically using a vehicle as the source of power

synonym: haul, drag, pull

(1) **tow** a disabled vehicle, (2) **tow** a boat

I had to **tow** my car to the mechanic after it broke down.

underestimate

v. to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is

synonym: underrate, misjudge, miscalculate

(1) **underestimate** an enemy, (2) **underestimate** the probability

They frequently **underestimated** their abilities and felt inferior.

determinant

n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

synonym: cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

dorm

n. a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus

synonym: residence hall, hostel, boarding house

(1) **dorm** room, (2) university **dorm**

Living in a **dorm** can be a great way to meet new people when you're in college.

unlock

v. to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key

synonym: open, solve, unravel

(1) **unlock** a door with a key, (2) **unlock** value

The customs officer required the traveler to **unlock** his suitcase.

barefoot

adj. without shoes or other foot coverings; wearing nothing on the feet

synonym: bare, shoeless, unshod

(1) **barefoot** walk, (2) **barefoot** fashion

The **barefoot** hiker enjoyed feeling the earth beneath their feet.

novelty

n. the quality of being new, attractive, and unusual

synonym: originality, newness, wonder

(1) bit of a **novelty**, (2) the **novelty** of an invention

In Europe, this tropical fruit is still a **novelty**.

belong

v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

synonym: fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group
All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

demonstrate

v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience

synonym: show, illustrate, display

(1) **demonstrate** a difference, (2) **demonstrate** mastery
How can you **demonstrate** that the earth is a sphere?

frequent

adj. happening constantly

synonym: periodic, recurring, routine

(1) **frequent** absence, (2) **frequent** use
His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

appropriate

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

synonym: fitting, suitable, proper

(1) **appropriate** behavior, (2) an **appropriate** time
It would be **appropriate** to dress nicely for the wedding.

enunciate

v. to say, pronounce, or utter words clearly

synonym: articulate, pronounce, say

(1) **enunciate** a new strategy, (2) **enunciate** each word
The doctrine of the country was **enunciated** by its first king.

instruct

v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

synonym: train, coach, guide

(1) **instruct** a student, (2) **instruct** a computer
The facility manager **instructed** the security guards to be on high alert.

hallway

n. an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open

synonym: foyer, corridor, entrance

(1) the head of a **hallway**, (2) wax a **hallway** floor
He dashed down a **hallway** to a bathroom.

- ax** *n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials
synonym : hatchet, chopper, tomahawk
(1) chop wood with an **ax**, (2) an **ax** in the toolbox
He used an **ax** to chop the firewood for the campfire.
- snicker** *v.* to laugh in a sly, suppressed, or scornful manner; to snigger; to express amusement or disdain in a quiet or subdued way
synonym : chuckle, snigger, giggle
(1) **snicker** quietly, (2) **snicker** to himself
He couldn't help but **snicker** at his friend's silly joke.
- yell** *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
synonym : shout, scream, cry
(1) **yell** for help, (2) **yell** as loud as we can
When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and **yelled** at me.
- grease** *n.* a thick, oily substance used to lubricate machines, surfaces, or moving parts; fat or oil used in cooking
synonym : oil, lubricant, fat
(1) cooking **grease**, (2) mechanical **grease**
The engine wouldn't turn over until we applied **grease** to the starter.
- scalp** *n.* the skin that covers the top of a person's head, together with the hair growing on it; also, the part of the body that is most vulnerable to an attack
synonym : hair cover, pelt, epidermis
(1) **scalp** massage, (2) **scalp** condition
I have an itchy **scalp** and need to switch to a different shampoo.
- emotional** *adj.* relating to people's feelings
synonym : affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

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.

edit

v. to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it

synonym: revise, modify, adjust

(1) **edit** a history book, (2) **edit** a video

I need to **edit** this document before submitting it to my boss.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym: highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

quintessence

n. the perfect example of a quality or class

synonym: essence, core, heart

(1) the **quintessence** of virtue, (2) **quintessence** of life

The **quintessence** of the author's writing is the depth of emotion conveyed.

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.

fellowship

n. an association of people who share common interests or goals, typically involving research, study, or a specific profession

synonym : association, society, group

(1) research **fellowship**, (2) postdoctoral **fellowship**

The **fellowship** of scientists worked together to conduct research and make important discoveries.

accomplish

v. to finish or achieve something successfully

synonym : achieve, complete, execute

(1) **accomplish** a goal, (2) **accomplish** military operations

Humankind took centuries to **accomplish** true democracy.

eternal

adj. being without beginning or end; lasting forever

synonym : endless, everlasting, undying

(1) the hope of **eternal** life, (2) **eternal** quarreling

In every civilization, rulers have tried everything possible to obtain **eternal** life.

impostor

n. someone who pretends to be someone or something else to deceive others; a fraud

synonym : fraud, phony, charlatan

(1) **impostor** syndrome, (2) detect an **impostor**

The online marketplace warned customers to beware of **impostor** sellers trying to scam them.

syndrome

n. a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder

synonym : disorder, condition, complication

(1) **syndrome** of dementia, (2) acute **syndrome**

The patient was diagnosed with a rare genetic **syndrome**.

invite

v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

synonym : ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism

We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

token

n. something that serves as a symbol, sign, or expression of something else; a physical object representing a particular idea or concept

synonym: symbol, emblem, representation

(1) digital **token**, (2) **token** payment

As a **token** of appreciation, the teacher gave each student a small gift at the end of the school year.

pants

n. an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs

synonym: trousers, breeches, slacks

(1) woolly **pants**, (2) pajama **pants**

I always wear **pants** when I go outside, even in the summer.

tight

adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

synonym: closed, secured, cramped

(1) a **tight** game, (2) student on a **tight** budget

The national election was held amid **tight** security.

process

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

synonym: procedure, method, system

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

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

trauma

n. an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience

synonym: agony, injury, ordeal

(1) psychic **trauma**, (2) **trauma** care

Many civilians have suffered **trauma** as a result of the war.

erase

v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
synonym: wipe out, delete, obliterate

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

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

reform

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

synonym: change, modify, improve

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

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

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**.

suspend

v. to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang something freely

synonym: stop, postpone, adjourn

(1) **suspend** a decision, (2) **suspend** fruits from the ceiling

The University **suspended** the most recalcitrant demonstrators.

expel

v. to officially force someone to leave a school, organization, or country

synonym: deport, oust, dislodge

(1) **expel** him from his native country, (2) **expel** air from the

lungs

He took a big drag of his cigarette and slowly **expelled** the smoke.

pun

n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay

synonym : joke, quip, wordplay

(1) witty **pun**, (2) silly **pun**

The comedian's **pun** had the audience laughing out loud.

harsh

adj. severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit

synonym : brutal, severe, backbreaking

(1) **harsh** climate, (2) use of **harsh** chemicals

The prime minister faced **harsh** criticism.

infraction

n. a violation of a law or rule, especially a minor one

synonym : violation, breach, offense

(1) a doping **infraction**, (2) **infraction** of a rule

The driver was issued a citation for a minor **infraction** of the traffic laws.

absence

n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

synonym : dearth, scarcity, lack

(1) **absence** from work, (2) a leave of **absence**

Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's **absence**.

narrative

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

synonym : the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**

The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

curriculum

n. a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.

synonym: program, syllabus, course of study

(1) a **curriculum** vitae, (2) an academic **curriculum**

A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the **curriculum**.

cooperative

adj. involving doing something jointly or working with others to achieve a common goal

synonym: harmonious, collegial, helpful

(1) **cooperative** savings, (2) fishing **cooperative**

We appreciate your **cooperative** efforts.

analyze

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

synonym: explore, examine, investigate

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

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

nation

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

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

statistics

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

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

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

pre-K

n. (an abbreviation for "pre-kindergarten") a program that provides structured educational activities and

socialization opportunities for young children before they start formal kindergarten

synonym : preschool, early education

(1) **pre-K** education, (2) **pre-K** program

My son will start attending **pre-K** next year.

profound

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

synonym : deep, unsounded, far-reaching

(1) a **profound** book, (2) the **profound** depths of the sea

My mother's illness had a **profound** impact on us all.

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym : character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

deserve

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

synonym : merit, earn, justify

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

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

guarantee

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

synonym : assure, promise, warrant

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

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

comfort

n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

synonym : ease, solace, coziness

(1) words of **comfort**, (2) **comfort** level

He found **comfort** in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

physically

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

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

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

thrive

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

synonym: bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure

Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

academic

adj. associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills

synonym: educational, scholarly, theoretical

(1) **academic** probation, (2) an **academic** discussion

An excellent historian must possess an **academic** mentality.

instruction

n. detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something

synonym: education, direction, guidance

(1) individual **instruction**, (2) follow his **instructions**

They needed further **instruction** to perform their duties efficiently.

instability

n. the state of being unstable or uncertain and likely to change suddenly

synonym: imbalance, fluctuation, unstableness

(1) political **instability**, (2) **instability** in currency markets

Lack of sleep and overwork often lead to emotional **instability**.

uncertain

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

synonym: doubtful, skeptical, pending

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

attitude

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

bind

v. to tie or fasten someone or something tightly with rope, string, etc. so that they cannot move or are held together strongly

synonym: tie, stick to, adhere

(1) **bind** the man's hands, (2) **bind** old letters into a bundle

The company's rules **bind** the employee's working hours.

preserve

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

synonym: conserve, care for, maintain

(1) **preserve** my strength, (2) **preserve** a country's heritage

They worked hard to **preserve** the nature of their native lands.

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

instinct

n. an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

synonym: intuition, aptitude, feeling

(1) **instinct** for self-preservation, (2) aggressive **instinct**

When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial **instinct** was to flee.

faith

n. complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

synonym: belief, trust, confidence

(1) religious **faith**, (2) **faith** in government
He kept his robust **faith** in his company.

creative

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

synonym: imaginative, innovative, inventive

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

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

genius

n. someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality

synonym: brilliance, brainiac, acumen

(1) a person of **genius**, (2) a **genius** for music

Mozart was a musical **genius**.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 8. an_____e a chemical compound | <i>v.</i> to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning |
| 9. individual ins_____on | <i>n.</i> detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something |
| 10. an_____e his soul | <i>v.</i> to make something full of interest and energy |
| 11. political ins_____ty | <i>n.</i> the state of being unstable or uncertain and likely to change suddenly |

ANSWERS: 1. conversation, 2. underestimate, 3. tight, 4. grease, 5. narrative, 6. bind, 7. cooperative, 8. analyze, 9. instruction, 10. animate, 11. instability

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43. su_____d fruits from the ceiling *v.* to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang something freely

ANSWERS: 34. scalp, 35. attend, 36. instability, 37. reform, 38. anxiety, 39. academic, 40. snicker, 41. snicker, 42. deserve, 43. suspend

44. in_____ct for self-preservation *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
45. sy_____me of dementia *n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder
46. t_w a boat *v.* to pull or haul something along by means of a rope, chain, or other devices, typically using a vehicle as the source of power
47. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
48. the w_t of man *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
49. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
50. the head of a ha_____y *n.* an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
51. er__e a memory *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
52. pajama pa__s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
53. to__n payment *n.* something that serves as a symbol, sign, or expression of something else; a physical object representing a particular idea or concept

ANSWERS: 44. instinct, 45. syndrome, 46. tow, 47. conversation, 48. wit, 49. nation, 50. hallway, 51. erase, 52. pants, 53. token

54. et____l quarreling *adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
55. acc_____sh military operations *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
56. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
57. d__m room *n.* a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus
58. me_____ue topping *n.* a sweet, whipped dessert topping made from egg whites and sugar, usually baked or cooked and used to top pies, cakes, or pastries
59. a doping inf_____on *n.* a violation of a law or rule, especially a minor one
60. do____o effect *n.* a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events
61. y__l for help *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
62. qui_____nce of life *n.* the perfect example of a quality or class
63. an academic cur_____um *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
64. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

ANSWERS: 54. eternal, 55. accomplish, 56. communal, 57. dorm, 58. meringue, 59. infraction, 60. domino, 61. yell, 62. quintessence, 63. curriculum, 64. identity

65. do___o chain *n.* a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events
66. a leave of ab_____e *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
67. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
68. a bl__t of wind *n.* explosion, or a strong current of air, usually caused by an explosion; a sudden, thunderous noise
69. e__t a history book *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
70. co_____t level *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
71. er__ed the files *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
72. words of co_____t *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
73. a pr_____nd book *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
74. research fel_____ip *n.* an association of people who share common interests or goals, typically involving research, study, or a specific profession

ANSWERS: 65. domino, 66. absence, 67. violent, 68. blast, 69. edit, 70. comfort, 71. erase, 72. comfort, 73. profound, 74. fellowship

75. cr____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
76. th___e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
77. en_____te each word *v.* to say, pronounce, or utter words clearly
78. decision-making pr____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
79. woolly pa__s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
80. 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
81. th___e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
82. the qui_____nce of virtue *n.* the perfect example of a quality or class
83. follow his ins_____ons *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
84. religious fa__h *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

ANSWERS: 75. creative, 76. thrive, 77. enunciate, 78. process, 79. pants, 80. rev, 81. thrive, 82. quintessence, 83. instruction, 84. faith

85. 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
86. ov____ke a rival *v.* to catch up to and pass by someone or something that is in front of you, usually about moving vehicles; to come to a point where you become more successful, important, or influential than someone or something else
87. st__p forward in the chair *v.* to bend forward and downward from the waist, often to pick something up or gain a better view; to lower oneself morally or socially
88. be___g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
89. psychic tr___a *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
90. ba____ot walk *adj.* without shoes or other foot coverings; wearing nothing on the feet
91. stay phy_____ly fit *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
92. take an un_____in attitude *adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose

ANSWERS: 85. damage, 86. overtake, 87. stoop, 88. belong, 89. trauma, 90. barefoot, 91. physically, 92. uncertain

93. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
94. e__t a video *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
95. university d__m *n.* a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus
96. ab_____e from work *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
97. an icy bl__t *n.* explosion, or a strong current of air, usually caused by an explosion; a sudden, thunderous noise
98. t_w a disabled vehicle *v.* to pull or haul something along by means of a rope, chain, or other devices, typically using a vehicle as the source of power
99. ba_____ot fashion *adj.* without shoes or other foot coverings; wearing nothing on the feet
100. use of ha__h chemicals *adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
101. a cur_____um vitae *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
102. student on a ti__t budget *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
103. pr_____ve a country's heritage *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

ANSWERS: 93. statistics, 94. edit, 95. dorm, 96. absence, 97. blast, 98. tow, 99. barefoot, 100. harsh, 101. curriculum, 102. tight, 103. preserve

104. barren of cr____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
105. im_____nt communities *n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently
106. the no_____y of an invention *n.* the quality of being new, attractive, and unusual
107. ex__l him from his native country *v.* to officially force someone to leave a school, organization, or country
108. gu_____t wound *n.* the sound or act of firing a gun or other firearm, usually accompanied by a loud explosion and a projectile that is propelled toward the target
109. the pr_____nd depths of the sea *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
110. ac_____ic probation *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
111. s__r of the moment *n.* a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something
112. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
113. 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

ANSWERS: 104. creative, 105. immigrant, 106. novelty, 107. expel, 108. gunshot, 109. profound, 110. academic, 111. spur, 112. statistics, 113. damage

114. pr__K education *n.* (an abbreviation for "pre-kindergarten") a program that provides structured educational activities and socialization opportunities for young children before they start formal kindergarten
115. 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
116. vi____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
117. na_____ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
118. the ul____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
119. ov____ke a milestone *v.* to catch up to and pass by someone or something that is in front of you, usually about moving vehicles; to come to a point where you become more successful, important, or influential than someone or something else
120. aggressive in____ct *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
121. digital to__n *n.* something that serves as a symbol, sign, or expression of something else; a physical object representing a particular idea or concept

ANSWERS: 114. pre-K, 115. rev, 116. violent, 117. narrative, 118. ultimate, 119. overtake, 120. instinct, 121. token

122. be___g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
123. acute sy_____me *n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder
124. a sch_____ip association *n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements
125. detect an im_____or *n.* someone who pretends to be someone or something else to deceive others; a fraud
126. college sch_____ip *n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements
127. su_____d a decision *v.* to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang something freely
128. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 122. belong, 123. syndrome, 124. scholarship, 125. impostor, 126. scholarship, 127. suspend, 128. process

129. id____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
130. fr____nt use *adj.* happening constantly
131. in____e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
132. chop wood with an ax *n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials
133. dem____te mastery *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
134. un____k a door with a key *v.* to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key
135. inf____on of a rule *n.* a violation of a law or rule, especially a minor one
136. an app____te time *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
137. gu____ee a high quality *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
138. an____e the body *v.* to make something full of interest and energy
139. po____y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
140. coo____ve savings *adj.* involving doing something jointly or working with others to achieve a common goal

ANSWERS: 129. identity, 130. frequent, 131. invite, 132. ax, 133. demonstrate, 134. unlock, 135. infraction, 136. appropriate, 137. guarantee, 138. animate, 139. poverty, 140. cooperative

141. im_____or syndrome *n.* someone who pretends to be someone or something else to deceive others; a fraud
142. bit of a no_____y *n.* the quality of being new, attractive, and unusual
143. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
144. the ul_____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
145. gu_____ee women equality *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
146. the co_____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
147. sc__p massage *n.* the skin that covers the top of a person's head, together with the hair growing on it; also, the part of the body that is most vulnerable to an attack
148. silly p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
149. fa__h in government *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
150. acc_____sh a goal *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully

ANSWERS: 141. impostor, 142. novelty, 143. emotional, 144. ultimate, 145. guarantee, 146. conflict, 147. scalp, 148. pun, 149. faith, 150. accomplish

151. s__r a momentum of economic growth
n. a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something
152. em_____al distress
adj. relating to people's feelings
153. b__d the man's hands
v. to tie or fasten someone or something tightly with rope, string, etc. so that they cannot move or are held together strongly
154. ex__l air from the lungs
v. to officially force someone to leave a school, organization, or country
155. witty p_n
n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
156. tr___a care
n. an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
157. full of w_t
n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
158. the longstanding co_____ct
n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
159. st__p to conquer
v. to bend forward and downward from the waist, often to pick something up or gain a better view; to lower oneself morally or socially
160. in_____ct a computer
v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

ANSWERS: 151. spur, 152. emotional, 153. bind, 154. expel, 155. pun, 156. trauma, 157. wit, 158. conflict, 159. stoop, 160. instruct

161. the hope of et_____l life *adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
162. a det_____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
163. pr_____ve my strength *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
164. en_____te a new strategy *v.* to say, pronounce, or utter words clearly
165. dem_____te a difference *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
166. an ax in the toolbox *n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials
167. app_____te behavior *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
168. de_____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
169. un___k value *v.* to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key
170. und_____ate the probability *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
171. pr__K program *n.* (an abbreviation for "pre-kindergarten") a program that provides structured educational activities and socialization opportunities for young children before they start formal kindergarten

ANSWERS: 161. eternal, 162. determinant, 163. preserve, 164. enunciate, 165. demonstrate, 166. ax, 167. appropriate, 168. deserve, 169. unlock, 170. underestimate, 171. pre-K

172. mechanical gr___e

n. a thick, oily substance used to lubricate machines, surfaces, or moving parts; fat or oil used in cooking

ANSWERS: 172. grease

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
 - n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

2. We appreciate your _____ efforts.
 - adj.* involving doing something jointly or working with others to achieve a common goal

3. Many civilians have suffered _____ as a result of the war.
 - n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience

4. The University _____ the most recalcitrant demonstrators.
 - v.* to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang something freely

5. Having a _____ healthy physique is essential for a great life.
 - adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

6. 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

7. The positive attitude of the supervisor _____ the discussion.
 - v.* to make something full of interest and energy

ANSWERS: 1. process, 2. cooperative, 3. trauma, 4. suspended, 5. physically, 6. rev, 7. animated

8. He took a big drag of his cigarette and slowly _____ the smoke.
- v. to officially force someone to leave a school, organization, or country
9. She received a full _____ to study abroad.
- n. a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements
10. How can you _____ that the earth is a sphere?
- v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
11. I had to ___ my car to the mechanic after it broke down.
- v. to pull or haul something along by means of a rope, chain, or other devices, typically using a vehicle as the source of power
12. The facility manager _____ the security guards to be on high alert.
- v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
13. The patient was diagnosed with a rare genetic _____.
- n. a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder
14. My son will start attending _____ next year.
- n. (an abbreviation for "pre-kindergarten") a program that provides structured educational activities and socialization opportunities for young children before they start formal kindergarten
15. The _____ of scientists worked together to conduct research and make important discoveries.
- n. an association of people who share common interests or goals, typically involving research, study, or a specific profession

ANSWERS: 8. expelled, 9. scholarship, 10. demonstrate, 11. tow, 12. instructed, 13. syndrome, 14. pre-K, 15. fellowship

16. When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and _____ at me.
v. to shout in a sudden and loud way
17. The doctrine of the country was _____ by its first king.
v. to say, pronounce, or utter words clearly
18. As a _____ of appreciation, the teacher gave each student a small gift at the end of the school year.
n. something that serves as a symbol, sign, or expression of something else; a physical object representing a particular idea or concept
19. The comedian's _____ had the audience laughing out loud.
n. a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
20. When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial _____ was to flee.
n. an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
21. She was _____ about her friend's intentions.
adj. not being sure of something; not being able to choose
22. They needed further _____ to perform their duties efficiently.
n. detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
23. She waited for her daughter with _____.
n. a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future

ANSWERS: 16. yelled, 17. enunciated, 18. token, 19. pun, 20. instinct, 21. uncertain, 22. instruction, 23. anxiety

24. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.
- v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
25. The government is proposing a _____ to the healthcare system to make it more accessible and affordable for all citizens.
- n. the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem
26. The customs officer required the traveler to _____ his suitcase.
- v. to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key
27. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
- adj. relating to people's feelings
28. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
29. In every civilization, rulers have tried everything possible to obtain _____ life.
- adj. being without beginning or end; lasting forever
30. 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

ANSWERS: 24. invite, 25. reform, 26. unlock, 27. emotional, 28. nation, 29. eternal, 30. damage

31. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

32. Lack of sleep and overwork often lead to emotional _____.

n. the state of being unstable or uncertain and likely to change suddenly

33. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

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

34. He kept his robust _____ in his company.

n. complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

35. His heartaches are less _____ now.

adj. happening constantly

36. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

37. The prime minister faced _____ criticism.

adj. severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit

38. Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's _____.

n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

39. The _____ hiker enjoyed feeling the earth beneath their feet.

adj. without shoes or other foot coverings; wearing nothing on the feet

ANSWERS: 31. identity, 32. instability, 33. deserved, 34. faith, 35. frequent, 36. Communal, 37. harsh, 38. absence, 39. barefoot

40. The loud _____ startled the wildlife in the nearby forest.
n. the sound or act of firing a gun or other firearm, usually accompanied by a loud explosion and a projectile that is propelled toward the target
41. A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the _____.
n. a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
42. The national election was held amid _____ security.
adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
43. Humankind took centuries to _____ true democracy.
v. to finish or achieve something successfully
44. The _____ on the lemon pie was perfectly fluffy and sweet.
n. a sweet, whipped dessert topping made from egg whites and sugar, usually baked or cooked and used to top pies, cakes, or pastries
45. The _____ shattered the laboratory equipment.
n. explosion, or a strong current of air, usually caused by an explosion; a sudden, thunderous noise
46. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.
adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
47. The online marketplace warned customers to beware of _____ sellers trying to scam them.
n. someone who pretends to be someone or something else to deceive others; a fraud

ANSWERS: 40. gunshot, 41. curriculum, 42. tight, 43. accomplish, 44. meringue, 45. blast, 46. violent, 47. impostor

48. My mother's illness had a _____ impact on us all.

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

49. An excellent historian must possess an _____ mentality.

adj. associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills

50. I have an itchy _____ and need to switch to a different shampoo.

n. the skin that covers the top of a person's head, together with the hair growing on it; also, the part of the body that is most vulnerable to an attack

51. We cannot _____ enough raw material sources.

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

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

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

53. Without investment, a business cannot _____.

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

54. In Europe, this tropical fruit is still a _____.

n. the quality of being new, attractive, and unusual

55. They frequently _____ their abilities and felt inferior.

v. to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is

56. Police received a report of illegal _____ in the area.

n. a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently

ANSWERS: 48. profound, 49. academic, 50. scalp, 51. guarantee, 52. analyze, 53. thrive, 54. novelty, 55. underestimated, 56. immigrants

57. He couldn't help but _____ at his friend's silly joke.

- v.* to laugh in a sly, suppressed, or scornful manner; to snigger; to express amusement or disdain in a quiet or subdued way

58. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

- n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

59. The driver was issued a citation for a minor _____ of the traffic laws.

- n.* a violation of a law or rule, especially a minor one

60. We must _____ to this matter.

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

61. He has the ____ to keep talking about this topic.

- n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

62. We knocked over a stack of _____ and watched them fall one by one.

- n.* a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events

63. I had to _____ down to pick up the coin that had rolled under the couch.

- v.* to bend forward and downward from the waist, often to pick something up or gain a better view; to lower oneself morally or socially

64. Living in a _____ can be a great way to meet new people when you're in college.

- n.* a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus

ANSWERS: 57. snicker, 58. determinant, 59. infraction, 60. attend, 61. wit, 62. dominoes, 63. stoop, 64. dorm

65. The engine wouldn't turn over until we applied _____ to the starter.
n. a thick, oily substance used to lubricate machines, surfaces, or moving parts; fat or oil used in cooking
66. It would be _____ to dress nicely for the wedding.
adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
67. Mozart was a musical _____.
n. someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
68. He dashed down a _____ to a bathroom.
n. an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
69. He attempted to _____ the misspelled word.
v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
70. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.
adj. furthest or highest in degree or order
71. The _____ of the author's writing is the depth of emotion conveyed.
n. the perfect example of a quality or class
72. The threat of losing his job was the _____ he needed to work harder.
n. a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something
73. Many studies have investigated the relationship between _____ and academic achievement.
n. the condition of being extremely poor

ANSWERS: 65. grease, 66. appropriate, 67. genius, 68. hallway, 69. erase, 70. ultimate, 71. quintessence, 72. spur, 73. poverty

74. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

75. They worked hard to _____ the nature of their native lands.

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

76. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

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

77. I always wear _____ when I go outside, even in the summer.

- n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs

78. He found _____ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

- n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

79. He used an ___ to chop the firewood for the campfire.

- n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials

80. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

- n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

81. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.

- n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

ANSWERS: 74. conversation, 75. preserve, 76. statistics, 77. pants, 78. comfort, 79. ax, 80. narrative, 81. conflicts,

82. I need to _____ this document before submitting it to my boss.

- v. to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it

83. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.

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

84. The race car driver knew he had to _____ the other drivers to win the race.

- v. to catch up to and pass by someone or something that is in front of you, usually about moving vehicles; to come to a point where you become more successful, important, or influential than someone or something else

85. The company's rules _____ the employee's working hours.

- v. to tie or fasten someone or something tightly with rope, string, etc. so that they cannot move or are held together strongly

86. All the books in this section _____ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

- v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

ANSWERS: 82. edit, 83. creative, 84. overtake, 85. bind, 86. belong