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Session 1: Word List

reimagine

v. to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way

synonym: re-conceptualize, re-envision, re-create

(1) **reimagine** the future, (2) **reimagine** the possibilities

The company is trying to **reimagine** its business model to stay competitive.

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.

sibling

n. a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents

synonym: brother, sister, relative

(1) have a **sibling** quarrel, (2) play with my **siblings**

Children often copy their parents or elder **siblings**.

continuously

adv. without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly

synonym: constantly, frequently, always

(1) use one thing **continuously**, (2) **continuously** removed
The country's domestic coal consumption has been **continuously** declining for decades.

frisk

v. to search for someone or something in a quick, lively manner, often to discover something hidden or suspicious; to frolic or skip about in a lively or playful manner

synonym: search, pat down, romp

(1) **frisk** around the yard, (2) **frisk** his pockets
The security guard stopped and **frisked** the suspicious-looking person at the entrance to the building.

enforcement

n. the act of ensuring that rules, regulations, or laws are obeyed or implemented; the act of applying force or pressure to compel compliance with rules or laws

synonym: implementation, application, execution

(1) **enforcement** action, (2) **enforcement** officer
The **enforcement** of the new traffic laws led to a decrease in accidents.

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.

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym: sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**
Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

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.

government

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

synonym: administration, regime, state

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

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

opal

n. a mineral consisting of hydrated silica that is often iridescent and comes in a variety of colors; a gemstone made from this mineral valued for its play of color

(1) **opal** jewelry, (2) milky **opal**

The **opal** on her necklace glimmered in the sunlight.

racism

n. prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized

synonym: prejudice, discrimination, bias

(1) systemic **racism**, (2) research on anti- **racism**

The school's lack of diversity was a clear indication of the **racism** present in the community.

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.

globe

n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness

synonym: Earth, world, sphere

(1) terrestrial **globe**, (2) around the **globe**

His final goal is to sail around the **globe**.

movement

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

synonym: motion, progression, action

(1) a circular **movement**, (2) **movement** of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

systemic

adj. affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

(1) the **systemic** arteries, (2) **systemic** reforms of the organization

This vaccine causes mild **systemic** side effects.

context

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

synonym: background, setting, environment

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

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

disparity

n. a significant difference or inequality between two or more things

synonym: difference, inequality, gap

(1) the **disparity** between theory and reality, (2) income **disparity**

There is a significant **disparity** in pay between men and women in the company.

climate

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

synonym: atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change

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

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.

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.

reel

n. a cylinder on which film, wire, or other flexible materials that can be wound

synonym : spool, bobbin, winder

(1) cable **reel**, (2) a six- **reel** film

He put the fishing line on the **reel** and cast his line into the water.

disaster

n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

synonym : catastrophe, calamity, tragedy

(1) global **disaster**, (2) **disaster** recovery

The **disaster** response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

displace

v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

synonym : evict, exile, remove

(1) **displace** workers, (2) **displace** the explosive power

The construction of the new dam will **displace** hundreds of families living downstream.

ancestral

adj. related to or connected with members of your family from the past

synonym : hereditary, inherited, patrimonial

(1) an **ancestral** graveyard, (2) **ancestral** roots

The **ancestral** home has been in the family for generations.

decent

adj. satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense

synonym : respectable, honorable, good

(1) yearn for the **decent** living, (2) a **decent** education

He earned a **decent** salary at his job.

hurricane

n. a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)

synonym : cyclone, typhoon, storm

(1) a **hurricane** of applause, (2) the ravages of a **hurricane**

The devastating **hurricane** caused widespread damage and left many people homeless.

wreak

v. to cause or bring about something, often as a result of harmful or destructive actions or events

synonym : cause, inflict, bring about

(1) **wreak** a lot of changes, (2) **wreak** further damage

The virus has **wreaked** havoc on the healthcare system, overwhelming hospitals and causing shortages of supplies.

havoc

n. widespread destruction or devastation, often caused by natural disasters, war, or other violent events

synonym : destruction, devastation, ruin

(1) cause **havoc**, (2) play **havoc** in the mind

The storm wreaked **havoc** on the town, causing widespread damage and power outages.

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.

poorest

adj. having the least wealth or resources

synonym : impecunious, penniless, least

(1) **poorest** of the poor, (2) **poorest** area

The **poorest** countries in the world often have the highest rates of malnutrition.

hemisphere

n. half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere

(1) northern **hemisphere**, (2) cerebral **hemisphere**

This weather pattern is unique to the southern **hemisphere**.

inhabitant

n. a person or an animal that lives in a particular place

synonym : dweller, occupant, resident

(1) the early **inhabitants** of Europe, (2) **inhabitant** tax

His family is the oldest **inhabitant** of the island.

precede

v. to happen or go before something or someone in time or space

synonym : lead, forego, antecede

(1) men often **precede** women when walking, (2) **precede** any discussion

Agricultural development generally **precedes** economic growth.

earthquake

n. a sudden and violent shaking of the ground caused by the movement of rock beneath the earth's surface

synonym : seismic activity, tremor, temblor

(1) an **earthquake** zone, (2) an **earthquake-proof**

The violent **earthquake** caused widespread damage and injuries throughout the region.

cholera

n. a severe infectious disease that causes acute diarrhea, vomiting, and dehydration, often resulting in a rapid and dangerous loss of body fluids and electrolytes

synonym : infectious disease, epidemic, plague

(1) **cholera** toxin, (2) **cholera** epidemic

The outbreak of **cholera** was a major health crisis in the 19th century.

peacekeeping

n. the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives

synonym : peacebuilding, peacemaking, reconciliation

(1) **peacekeeping** efforts, (2) **peacekeeping** force

The **peacekeeping** mission in the war-torn country was challenging but necessary.

eradicate

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

synonym : destroy, eliminate, exterminate

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

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

unconscionable

adj. not guided by conscience; unprincipled; unreasonable; excessively or shockingly excessive, unreasonably harsh or severe

synonym : unscrupulous, immoral, unethical

(1) **unconscionable** behavior, (2) **unconscionable** decision

It is **unconscionable** that some companies exploit their workers for profit.

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.

phenomenon

n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

synonym: marvel, wonder, splendor

(1) natural **phenomenon**, (2) historical **phenomenon**

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

spectrum

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

synonym: range, scale, spread

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

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

trickle

v. to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities

synonym: dribble, flow, seep

(1) **trickle** down my cheek, (2) **trickle** from his eyes

Water was beginning to **trickle** into the basement after the heavy rain.

folk

n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

synonym: community, family, person

(1) **folk** art, (2) the **folk** songs of a particular district

Some seaweed was used as **folk** medicine in ancient times.

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.

effervescence

n. the process or state of bubbling or fizzing, often caused by the release of gas; liveliness, enthusiasm, or excitement

synonym: fizz, bubbling, frothiness

(1) **effervescence** of bubbles, (2) cultural **effervescence**

The champagne had a delightful **effervescence**, with tiny bubbles rising to the surface.

bubble

n. a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses

synonym: blob, balloon, mania

(1) **bubble** in the champagne glass, (2) economic **bubble**

Many people worry that the current real estate market is a **bubble** that could burst soon.

wage

n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

synonym: payment, compensation, salary

(1) unpaid **wages**, (2) increase in the minimum **wage**

His **wages** continued to rise as his skills improved.

gap

n. a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.

synonym: opening, lacuna, spread

(1) the **gap** between ideal and reality, (2) distance **gap**

Many people are working together to close the gender **gap**.

Latina

n. a female person of Latin American origin or descent; a term used to refer to women from Latin American countries or with Latin American heritage

synonym: Hispanic woman

(1) **Latina** community, (2) **Latina** actress
She is the first **Latina** senator in the country's history.

indigenous

adj. someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
synonym : domestic, endemic, primitive

(1) **indigenous** crop, (2) **indigenous** peoples
The **indigenous** plants need to be pollinated by local insects.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
synonym : suitable, timely, practical

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

champagne

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

(1) **champagne** toast, (2) **champagne** celebration
They opened a bottle of **champagne** to celebrate their success.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;
synonym : alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power
My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

invest

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
synonym : fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital
The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

infrastructure

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

synonym: foundation, framework

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

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

visible

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

synonym: clear, observable, seeable

(1) **visible** stars, (2) **visible** by X-ray

My home is easily **visible** from the shore.

individual

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

synonym: person, being, self

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

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

interdependence

n. the fact or state of depending on each other

synonym: relation, interconnection, linkage

(1) **interdependence** of mind and body, (2) global **interdependence**

The diplomatic rivalry between the two countries has strengthened the **interdependence** of their intra-regional supply chains for their manufacturing industries.

mantra

n. a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation

synonym: hymn, chant, phrase

(1) campaign **mantra**, (2) chant the **mantra** of structural reform

She repeated her personal **mantra** to herself to stay motivated.

sabbatical

n. a period of leave granted to a person for rest, travel, or other pursuits, often in academia or other professions

synonym : leave, vacation, break

(1) **sabbatical** leave, (2) **sabbatical** year

After ten years of teaching, she took a **sabbatical** to travel the world.

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.

acknowledge

v. to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

synonym : accept, agree, declare

(1) **acknowledge** the deed, (2) **acknowledge** his help

He never **acknowledged** his fault.

contribute

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

synonym : donate, devote, commit

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

(2) **contribute** to society

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

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym : resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**
Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

flourish

v. to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
synonym: boom, advance, succeed

(1) **flourish** economically, (2) **flourish** worldwide
The Ottoman Empire **flourished** for over five centuries.

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**.

launch

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
synonym: start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack
The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

fundraise

v. to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms
synonym: appeal, raise, solicit

(1) **fundraise** a charity fund, (2) **fundraise** for a new shelter
The school is planning to **fundraise** to purchase new books for the library.

gratitude

n. the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness
synonym: appreciation, thankfulness, indebtedness

(1) a debt of **gratitude**, (2) feelings of **gratitude**
She expressed her **gratitude** towards the kind stranger who helped her.

praise

n. an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something

synonym : acclaim, honor, commendation

(1) attain critical **praise**, (2) universal **praise**

The drama series mainly received **praise**.

philosophy

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

synonym : doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

contribution

n. the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause

synonym : donation, gift, offering

(1) make a positive **contribution**, (2) **contribution** to society

His **contribution** to the charity was a generous donation of money.

calm

adj. not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves

synonym : quiet, peaceful, tranquility

(1) **calm** sea, (2) **calm** manner

It was the first time in a long time that I felt truly **calm** and at peace.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym : idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

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.

superhero

n. a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public

(1) **superhero** movies, (2) **superhero** comics

Superman is a classic **superhero** known for his superhuman strength and flying ability.

ordinary

adj. not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

synonym: mundane, prosaic, average

(1) an **ordinary** school, (2) **ordinary** annual revenue

The **ordinary** session of the Diet opened.

attempt

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

synonym: endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**

The third **attempt** was far more successful.

extraordinary

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

synonym: exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

(1) **extraordinary** ability, (2) **extraordinary** weather

He narrated the **extraordinary** story of his adventure.

celebrity

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

synonym: figure, star, VIP

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

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

fickle

adj. liable to change frequently or unexpectedly, often without reason; capricious or unsteady

synonym: capricious, unpredictable, inconsistent

(1) **fickle** opinion, (2) **fickle** mood

The weather can be quite **fickle** in this region, changing rapidly and unpredictably.

deify

v. to worship or regard someone or something as divine or almost perfect; to idealize or elevate someone or something to a godlike status

synonym: worship, idolize, revere

(1) **deify** a hero, (2) **deify** a political figure

Some cultures **deify** their rulers, considering them godlike and infallible.

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify

(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

scrutiny

n. careful and detailed examination

synonym: examination, analysis, inspection

(1) additional **scrutiny**, (2) public **scrutiny**

All products produced by our factory undergo rigorous **scrutiny**.

brutal

adj. harsh or cruel

synonym: harsh, cruel, barbarous

(1) **brutal** bully, (2) **brutal** honesty

The **brutal** attack left the victim with serious injuries.

struggle

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

synonym: toil, strive, compete

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

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

politically

adv. in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation

(1) **politically** advantageous, (2) become **politically** savvy

This newspaper is supposed to be **politically** neutral.

disagree

v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

synonym: discord, oppose, dissent

(1) **disagree** about a particular issue, (2) **disagree** with a plan

I **disagree** for reasons already stated above.

disagreeable

adj. unpleasant or unpleasant to deal with; not likely to agree or comply with something or someone; having an unpleasant or negative temperament

synonym: unpleasant, objectionable, offensive

(1) **disagreeable** smell, (2) **disagreeable** temper

The **disagreeable** coworker always found fault with everyone else's work.

basis

n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

synonym: foundation, base, ground

(1) on an equal **basis**, (2) **basis** for calculation

This evidence will form the **basis** for our discussion.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

obsess

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

synonym: torment, beset, engross

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

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

timeline

n. a series of events arranged in chronological order and displayed along a line, usually drawn left to right or top to bottom

synonym: agenda, timetable, chronology

(1) **timeline** of science history, (2) lay out a **timeline**

He imposed a **timeline** on the project.

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**.

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.

survive

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

synonym: endure, persist, stay

(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash

These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym: root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

- eke**
- v.* to make a living or support oneself with difficulty or by supplementing one's income with additional work or resources; to manage or get by with what is available, often by means of careful or thrifty measures
- synonym* : supplement, stretch, squeeze out
- (1) **eke** out a few extra dollars, (2) **eke** out a narrow victory
- He managed to **eke** out a living by doing odd jobs.
- undocumented**
- adj.* not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission
- (1) **undocumented** worker, (2) **undocumented** command
- The border patrol has recently been focusing on cracking down on **undocumented** non-citizens.
- authorize**
- v.* to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something
- synonym* : empower, sanction, permit
- (1) **authorize** payment, (2) **authorize** access
- The government has **authorized** the use of military force in the region to keep the peace.
- vulnerable**
- adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
- synonym* : susceptible, exposed, weak
- (1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body
- Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.
- abuse**
- n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
- synonym* : misuse, misconduct, vilification
- (1) the problem of drug **abuse**, (2) victim of sexual **abuse**
- Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for **abuse** of authority.
- theft**
- n.* the act of taking anything from someone or somewhere unlawfully; stealing
- synonym* : stealing, heist, robbery

(1) victim of identity **theft**, (2) **theft** of designs

Poverty is not a reproach; however, **theft** is.

exploitation

n. the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful

synonym: victimization, development, using

(1) sexual **exploitation**, (2) the **exploitation** of fossil resources

Strategic **exploitation** of cutting-edge technology would be a sure formula for success.

xenophobic

adj. showing strong dislike or fear of people from other countries or cultures; having a strong bias or prejudice against outsiders

synonym: prejudiced, racist, intolerant

(1) **xenophobic** attitude, (2) **xenophobic** statements

The **xenophobic** rhetoric of the politician only seeks to sow division and hatred among people.

emerging

adj. starting to exist, mature, or become well-known

synonym: arising, occurring, state-of-the-art

(1) **emerging** country, (2) **emerging** technologies

Emerging technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.

resist

v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

synonym: fight, defy, revolt

(1) **resist** temptation, (2) **resist** being kissed

I chose to **resist** cancer by trying every possible treatment.

framework

n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text

synonym: structure, scheme, foundation

(1) legal **framework**, (2) the **framework** of a house

He devised a new analytical **framework** to capture the phenomenon.

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.

incredibly

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

synonym: enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

(1) **incredibly** cheerful character, (2) get **incredibly** insecure

Several cities are experiencing **incredibly** high unemployment rates.

entrenched

adj. established firmly and securely

synonym: deep-rooted, confirmed, ingrained

(1) **entrenched** ideas, (2) **entrenched** positions

The monarch exploited the peasants using its **entrenched** power.

courageous

adj. able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

synonym: brave, valiant, fearless

(1) make a **courageous** decision, (2) **courageous** rescue attempt

He was a **courageous** soldier who had served his country with honor.

equitable

adj. fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly

synonym: fair, honest, impartial

(1) in an **equitable** manner, (2) an **equitable** price

In a democratic country, governments promote **equitable** opportunities to participate in society.

torch

n. a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle

synonym : flashlight, lantern, flare

(1) the **torch** of learning, (2) **torch** song

She used an electric **torch** to light her way through the dark cave.

awesome

adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

synonym : miraculous, marvelous, astounding

(1) **awesome** mental faculty, (2) have an **awesome** birthday

There is a lot of **awesome** nature and food in Hawaii.

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?

forcibly

adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

synonym : violently, roughly, aggressively

(1) **forcibly** remove, (2) **forcibly** taken into a car

The police officer **forcibly** removed the protesters from the public park.

defend

v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

synonym : protect, guard, support

(1) **defend** my country, (2) **defend** against a threat

International law allows each nation to **defend** itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.

intricately

adv. in a manner that involves a lot of detailed and complex arrangement or planning; with many interconnected parts or components

synonym : complexly, elaborately

(1) **intricately** woven, (2) **intricately** decorated

The watch was **intricately** designed, with many small moving parts.

relate

v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

synonym: connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message

He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

definitely

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

synonym: absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**

The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

arresting

adj. attracting attention or interest; striking or impressive in appearance or effect; halting or stopping the movement or progress of something

synonym: striking, impressive, captivating

(1) an **arresting** image, (2) an **arresting** sight

The painting's **arresting** beauty made it difficult to look away.

nonprofit

adj. not established for commercial profit

synonym: charitable

(1) a **nonprofit** organization, (2) **nonprofit** agency

Our law firm also focuses on **nonprofit** activities.

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.

couch

n. a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

synonym: sofa, settee, divan

(1) leather **couch**, (2) a **couch** potato

I love to relax on the **couch** and watch movies on the weekends.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

1. racial or ___n
n. the first existence or beginning of something
2. full of w_t
n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
3. int_____ly woven
adv. in a manner that involves a lot of detailed and complex arrangement or planning; with many interconnected parts or components
4. global di_____er
n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
5. dis_____ble smell
adj. unpleasant or unpleasant to deal with; not likely to agree or comply with something or someone; having an unpleasant or negative temperament
6. an ear_____ke zone
n. a sudden and violent shaking of the ground caused by the movement of rock beneath the earth's surface
7. aw_____e mental faculty
adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
8. ch_____a toxin
n. a severe infectious disease that causes acute diarrhea, vomiting, and dehydration, often resulting in a rapid and dangerous loss of body fluids and electrolytes
9. xen_____ic attitude
adj. showing strong dislike or fear of people from other countries or cultures; having a strong bias or prejudice against outsiders

ANSWERS: 1. origin, 2. wit, 3. intricately, 4. disaster, 5. disagreeable, 6. earthquake, 7. awesome, 8. cholera, 9. xenophobic

10. th___e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
11. unc_____ble behavior *adj.* not guided by conscience; unprincipled; unreasonable; excessively or shockingly excessive, unreasonably harsh or severe
12. vi_____e stars *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
13. ti_____ne of science history *n.* a series of events arranged in chronological order and displayed along a line, usually drawn left to right or top to bottom
14. the g_p between ideal and reality *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
15. br___l honesty *adj.* harsh or cruel
16. the ravages of a hu_____ne *n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
17. telescopic vi___n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
18. universal pr___e *n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something
19. the di_____ty between theory and reality *n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things

ANSWERS: 10. thrive, 11. unconscionable, 12. visible, 13. timeline, 14. gap, 15. brutal, 16. hurricane, 17. vision, 18. praise, 19. disparity

20. phi_____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
21. increase in the minimum w__e *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
22. on an equal ba__s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
23. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
24. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
25. th__t of designs *n.* the act of taking anything from someone or somewhere unlawfully; stealing
26. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
27. lay out a ti_____ne *n.* a series of events arranged in chronological order and displayed along a line, usually drawn left to right or top to bottom
28. po_____t of the poor *adj.* having the least wealth or resources
29. a debt of gr_____de *n.* the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness

ANSWERS: 20. philosophy, 21. wage, 22. basis, 23. extraordinary, 24. nation, 25. theft, 26. context, 27. timeline, 28. poorest, 29. gratitude

30. the early inh_____nts of Europe *n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
31. pea_____ing efforts *n.* the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives
32. unc_____ble decision *adj.* not guided by conscience; unprincipled; unreasonable; excessively or shockingly excessive, unreasonably harsh or severe
33. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
34. fi___e opinion *adj.* liable to change frequently or unexpectedly, often without reason; capricious or unsteady
35. la___h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
36. become pol_____ly savvy *adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation
37. bu___e in the champagne glass *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
38. fo_____ly taken into a car *adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

ANSWERS: 30. inhabitant, 31. peacekeeping, 32. unconscionable, 33. individual, 34. fickle, 35. launch, 36. politically, 37. bubble, 38. forcibly

39. tr_____e from his eyes *v.* to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities
40. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
41. su_____ro movies *n.* a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public
42. make a cou_____us decision *adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
43. milky o___l *n.* a mineral consisting of hydrated silica that is often iridescent and comes in a variety of colors; a gemstone made from this mineral valued for its play of color
44. an or_____ry school *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
45. def_____ly become a problem *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
46. fl_____sh worldwide *v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
47. La___a actress *n.* a female person of Latin American origin or descent; a term used to refer to women from Latin American countries or with Latin American heritage
48. su_____ro comics *n.* a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public

ANSWERS: 39. trickle, 40. conversation, 41. superhero, 42. courageous, 43. opal, 44. ordinary, 45. definitely, 46. flourish, 47. Latina, 48. superhero

49. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
50. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
51. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
52. pr_____e any discussion *v.* to happen or go before something or someone in time or space
53. co_____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
54. de__y a political figure *v.* to worship or regard someone or something as divine or almost perfect; to idealize or elevate someone or something to a godlike status
55. wr__k further damage *v.* to cause or bring about something, often as a result of harmful or destructive actions or events
56. de__y a hero *v.* to worship or regard someone or something as divine or almost perfect; to idealize or elevate someone or something to a godlike status
57. northern hem_____re *n.* half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere
58. c__m sea *adj.* not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves
59. fi___e mood *adj.* liable to change frequently or unexpectedly, often without reason; capricious or unsteady

ANSWERS: 49. decide, 50. individual, 51. concept, 52. precede, 53. concept, 54. deify, 55. wreak, 56. deify, 57. hemisphere, 58. calm, 59. fickle

60. sab_____al year *n.* a period of leave granted to a person for rest, travel, or other pursuits, often in academia or other professions
61. natural phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
62. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
63. in an eq_____le manner *adj.* fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly
64. ab_____e from work *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
65. im_____nt communities *n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently
66. the to__h of learning *n.* a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle
67. a six-r__l film *n.* a cylinder on which film, wire, or other flexible materials that can be wound
68. public sc_____ny *n.* careful and detailed examination
69. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
70. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

ANSWERS: 60. sabbatical, 61. phenomenon, 62. opportune, 63. equitable, 64. absence, 65. immigrant, 66. torch, 67. reel, 68. scrutiny, 69. movement, 70. folk

71. an an_____al graveyard *adj.* related to or connected with members of your family from the past
72. er_____te the deficit *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
73. the threats te_____y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
74. wanted cr_____al *n.* a person who has committed a crime
75. con_____sly removed *adv.* without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly
76. ack_____ge his help *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
77. di_____er recovery *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
78. economic bu_____e *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
79. an eq_____le price *adj.* fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly
80. ch_____ne celebration *n.* a type of sparkling wine produced in the Champagne region of France, or any similar wine produced elsewhere
81. vul_____le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

ANSWERS: 71. ancestral, 72. eradicate, 73. terrify, 74. criminal, 75. continuously, 76. acknowledge, 77. disaster, 78. bubble, 79. equitable, 80. champagne, 81. vulnerable

82. fu_____se for a new shelter *v.* to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms
83. wr__k a lot of changes *v.* to cause or bring about something, often as a result of harmful or destructive actions or events
84. ch_____a epidemic *n.* a severe infectious disease that causes acute diarrhea, vomiting, and dehydration, often resulting in a rapid and dangerous loss of body fluids and electrolytes
85. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
86. ind_____us crop *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
87. st_____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
88. o__l jewelry *n.* a mineral consisting of hydrated silica that is often iridescent and comes in a variety of colors; a gemstone made from this mineral valued for its play of color
89. a no_____it organization *adj.* not established for commercial profit

ANSWERS: 82. fundraise, 83. wreak, 84. cholera, 85. statistics, 86. indigenous, 87. struggle, 88. opal, 89. nonprofit

90. di_____ee with a plan *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
91. additional sc_____ny *n.* careful and detailed examination
92. a de____t education *adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense
93. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
94. make a positive con_____ion *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
95. terrestrial gl__e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
96. yearn for the de____t living *adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense
97. enf_____nt action *n.* the act of ensuring that rules, regulations, or laws are obeyed or implemented; the act of applying force or pressure to compel compliance with rules or laws
98. re____t temptation *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
99. vi_____e by X-ray *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
100. ack_____ge the deed *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

ANSWERS: 90. disagree, 91. scrutiny, 92. decent, 93. philosophy, 94. contribution, 95. globe, 96. decent, 97. enforcement, 98. resist, 99. visible, 100. acknowledge

101. inf_____ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
102. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
103. an ar_____ng image *adj.* attracting attention or interest; striking or impressive in appearance or effect; halting or stopping the movement or progress of something
104. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
105. distance g_p *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
106. pol_____ly advantageous *adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation
107. eff_____nce of bubbles *n.* the process or state of bubbling or fizzing, often caused by the release of gas; liveliness, enthusiasm, or excitement
108. und_____ted command *adj.* not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission
109. or____n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
110. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 101. infrastructure, 102. nation, 103. arresting, 104. climate, 105. gap, 106. politically, 107. effervescence, 108. undocumented, 109. origin, 110. movement

111. f__k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
112. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
113. 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
114. have an aw_____e birthday *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
115. campaign ma____a *n.* a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation
116. the sy_____ic arteries *adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society
117. in____t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
118. pea_____ing force *n.* the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives
119. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;

ANSWERS: 111. folk, 112. involve, 113. economy, 114. awesome, 115. mantra, 116. systemic, 117. invest, 118. peacekeeping, 119. transform

120. baseball ce_____ty *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
121. e_e out a narrow victory *v.* to make a living or support oneself with difficulty or by supplementing one's income with additional work or resources; to manage or get by with what is available, often by means of careful or thrifty measures
122. int_____nce of mind and body *n.* the fact or state of depending on each other
123. victim of sexual ab__e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
124. re___e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
125. in___t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
126. cr_____al investigation *n.* a person who has committed a crime
127. re_____ne the possibilities *v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
128. a reckless at_____t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
129. br___l bully *adj.* harsh or cruel
130. po_____t area *adj.* having the least wealth or resources

ANSWERS: 120. celebrity, 121. eke, 122. interdependence, 123. abuse, 124. relate, 125. invest, 126. criminal, 127. reimagine, 128. attempt, 129. brutal, 130. poorest

131. inh_____nt tax	<i>n.</i> a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
132. op_____ne occasion	<i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
133. fl_____sh economically	<i>v.</i> to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
134. no_____it agency	<i>adj.</i> not established for commercial profit
135. major paradigm sh__t	<i>n.</i> a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
136. di_____ce workers	<i>v.</i> to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
137. legal fr_____rk	<i>n.</i> the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
138. cou_____us rescue attempt	<i>adj.</i> able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
139. und_____ted worker	<i>adj.</i> not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission
140. de___d against a threat	<i>v.</i> to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
141. muscular st_____th	<i>n.</i> the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
142. st_____th of the economy	<i>n.</i> the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

ANSWERS: 131. inhabitant, 132. opportune, 133. flourish, 134. nonprofit, 135. shift, 136. displace, 137. framework, 138. courageous, 139. undocumented, 140. defend, 141. strength, 142. strength

143. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
144. em_____ng technologies *adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
145. play with my si_____gs *n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents
146. an ear_____ke-proof *n.* a sudden and violent shaking of the ground caused by the movement of rock beneath the earth's surface
147. the exp_____ion of fossil resources *n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful
148. dis_____ble temper *adj.* unpleasant or unpleasant to deal with; not likely to agree or comply with something or someone; having an unpleasant or negative temperament
149. air-r__d siren *n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
150. di_____ce the explosive power *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
151. cerebral hem_____re *n.* half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere
152. con_____te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

ANSWERS: 143. relate, 144. emerging, 145. sibling, 146. earthquake, 147. exploitation, 148. disagreeable, 149. raid, 150. displace, 151. hemisphere, 152. contribute

153. ce_____ty known worldwide *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
154. feelings of gr_____de *n.* the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness
155. e_e out a few extra dollars *v.* to make a living or support oneself with difficulty or by supplementing one's income with additional work or resources; to manage or get by with what is available, often by means of careful or thrifty measures
156. ba__s for calculation *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
157. au_____ze access *v.* to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something
158. a co__h potato *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
159. historical phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
160. around the gl__e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
161. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

ANSWERS: 153. celebrity, 154. gratitude, 155. eke, 156. basis, 157. authorize, 158. couch, 159. phenomenon, 160. globe, 161. inspire

162. play ha__c in the mind *n.* widespread destruction or devastation, often caused by natural disasters, war, or other violent events
163. systemic ra___m *n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized
164. cable r__l *n.* a cylinder on which film, wire, or other flexible materials that can be wound
165. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
166. au_____ze payment *v.* to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something
167. 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
168. ch_____ne toast *n.* a type of sparkling wine produced in the Champagne region of France, or any similar wine produced elsewhere
169. ent_____ed ideas *adj.* established firmly and securely
170. re__t being kissed *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

ANSWERS: 162. havoc, 163. racism, 164. reel, 165. communal, 166. authorize, 167. process, 168. champagne, 169. entrenched, 170. resist

171. the fr_____rk of a house *n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
172. de_____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
173. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
174. te_____y people *v.* to frighten someone very much
175. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
176. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
177. a hu_____ne of applause *n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
178. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
179. 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: 171. framework, 172. deserve, 173. context, 174. terrify, 175. shift, 176. statistics, 177. hurricane, 178. extraordinary, 179. damage

180. tr_____e down my cheek *v.* to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities
181. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
182. chant the ma____a of structural reform *n.* a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation
183. de_____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
184. the at_____t to rescue the hostages *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
185. 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
186. de____e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
187. an_____al roots *adj.* related to or connected with members of your family from the past
188. the w_t of man *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
189. sy_____ic reforms of the organization *adj.* affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society
190. th____e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

ANSWERS: 180. trickle, 181. involve, 182. mantra, 183. deserve, 184. attempt, 185. continent, 186. decide, 187. ancestral, 188. wit, 189. systemic, 190. thrive

191. em____ng country *adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
192. global int_____nce *n.* the fact or state of depending on each other
193. an ar____ng sight *adj.* attracting attention or interest; striking or impressive in appearance or effect; halting or stopping the movement or progress of something
194. 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
195. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
196. er_____te racial discrimination *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
197. sexual exp_____ion *n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful
198. la____h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
199. 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

ANSWERS: 191. emerging, 192. interdependence, 193. arresting, 194. process, 195. government, 196. eradicate, 197. exploitation, 198. launch, 199. economy

200. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
201. int_____ly decorated *adv.* in a manner that involves a lot of detailed and complex arrangement or planning; with many interconnected parts or components
202. have a si_____g quarrel *n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents
203. make a r__d on an enemy's camp *n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
204. say def_____ly *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
205. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
206. cultural eff_____nce *n.* the process or state of bubbling or fizzing, often caused by the release of gas; liveliness, enthusiasm, or excitement
207. re_____ne the future *v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
208. fu_____se a charity fund *v.* to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms
209. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
210. a prodigious vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

ANSWERS: 200. survive, 201. intricately, 202. sibling, 203. raid, 204. definitely, 205. conversation, 206. effervescence, 207. reimagine, 208. fundraise, 209. communal, 210. vision

211. fr__k his pockets *v.* to search for someone or something in a quick, lively manner, often to discover something hidden or suspicious; to frolic or skip about in a lively or playful manner
212. c__m manner *adj.* not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves
213. to__h song *n.* a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle
214. 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
215. co_____nt urinary diversion *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
216. infrared sp_____um *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
217. IT inf_____ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
218. an im_____nt from the country *n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently

ANSWERS: 211. frisk, 212. calm, 213. torch, 214. damage, 215. continent, 216. spectrum, 217. infrastructure, 218. immigrant

219. cause ha__c *n.* widespread destruction or devastation, often caused by natural disasters, war, or other violent events
220. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
221. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
222. unpaid w__es *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
223. enf_____nt officer *n.* the act of ensuring that rules, regulations, or laws are obeyed or implemented; the act of applying force or pressure to compel compliance with rules or laws
224. attain critical pr___e *n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something
225. research on anti-ra___m *n.* prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized
226. fr__k around the yard *v.* to search for someone or something in a quick, lively manner, often to discover something hidden or suspicious; to frolic or skip about in a lively or playful manner
227. fo_____ly remove *adv.* done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

ANSWERS: 219. havoc, 220. incredibly, 221. climate, 222. wage, 223. enforcement, 224. praise, 225. racism, 226. frisk, 227. forcibly

228. use one thing con_____sly *adv.* without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly
229. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
230. con_____te a large sum of money to the fund *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
231. income di_____ty *n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things
232. di_____ee about a particular issue *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
233. ent_____ed positions *adj.* established firmly and securely
234. leather co__h *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
235. a vul_____le bridge *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
236. the problem of drug ab__e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
237. ind_____us peoples *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
238. con_____ion to society *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
239. xen_____ic statements *adj.* showing strong dislike or fear of people from other countries or cultures; having a strong bias or prejudice against outsiders

ANSWERS: 228. continuously, 229. government, 230. contribute, 231. disparity, 232. disagree, 233. entrenched, 234. couch, 235. vulnerable, 236. abuse, 237. indigenous, 238. contribution, 239. xenophobic

240. tr_____m an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
241. a broad sp_____um of opinion *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
242. st_____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
243. victim of identity th__t *n.* the act of taking anything from someone or somewhere unlawfully; stealing
244. La____a community *n.* a female person of Latin American origin or descent; a term used to refer to women from Latin American countries or with Latin American heritage
245. a leave of ab_____e *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
246. he is ob____sed with the fear *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
247. ob____s over her weight *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
248. de____d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
249. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
250. men often pr_____e women when walking *v.* to happen or go before something or someone in time or space
251. sab_____al leave *n.* a period of leave granted to a person for rest, travel, or other pursuits, often in academia or other professions

ANSWERS: 240. transform, 241. spectrum, 242. struggle, 243. theft, 244. Latina, 245. absence, 246. obsess, 247. obsess, 248. defend, 249. incredibly, 250. precede, 251. sabbatical

252. or_____ry annual revenue

adj. not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

253. su_____e a plane crash

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

254. in_____e him to write a novel

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

ANSWERS: 252. ordinary, 253. survive, 254. inspire

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.
v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
2. It is _____ that some companies exploit their workers for profit.
adj. not guided by conscience; unprincipled; unreasonable; excessively or shockingly excessive, unreasonably harsh or severe
3. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.
adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
4. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
5. The virus has _____ havoc on the healthcare system, overwhelming hospitals and causing shortages of supplies.
v. to cause or bring about something, often as a result of harmful or destructive actions or events
6. Could you help me _____ some furniture?
n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
7. The painting's _____ beauty made it difficult to look away.
adj. attracting attention or interest; striking or impressive in appearance or effect; halting or stopping the movement or progress of something
8. The _____ countries in the world often have the highest rates of malnutrition.
adj. having the least wealth or resources

ANSWERS: 1. survive, 2. unconscionable, 3. incredibly, 4. individual, 5. wreaked, 6. shift, 7. arresting, 8. poorest

9. The devastating _____ caused widespread damage and left many people homeless.
- n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
10. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.
- adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
11. His _____ to the charity was a generous donation of money.
- n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
12. The _____ on her necklace glimmered in the sunlight.
- n.* a mineral consisting of hydrated silica that is often iridescent and comes in a variety of colors; a gemstone made from this mineral valued for its play of color
13. The government has _____ the use of military force in the region to keep the peace.
- v.* to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something
14. I chose to _____ cancer by trying every possible treatment.
- v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
15. He earned a _____ salary at his job.
- adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense
16. Children often copy their parents or elder _____.
- n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents

ANSWERS: 9. hurricane, 10. vulnerable, 11. contribution, 12. opal, 13. authorized, 14. resist, 15. decent, 16. siblings

17. The school's lack of diversity was a clear indication of the _____ present in the community.

n. prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against a person or people based on their membership in a particular ethnic group, typically one that is a minority or marginalized

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

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

19. The weather can be quite _____ in this region, changing rapidly and unpredictably.

adj. liable to change frequently or unexpectedly, often without reason; capricious or unsteady

20. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

21. The company is trying to _____ its business model to stay competitive.

v. to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way

22. Superman is a classic _____ known for his superhuman strength and flying ability.

n. a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public

23. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

ANSWERS: 17. racism, 18. statistics, 19. fickle, 20. movement, 21. reimagine, 22. superhero, 23. Communal

24. There is a significant _____ in pay between men and women in the company.
- n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things
25. She is the first _____ senator in the country's history.
- n.* a female person of Latin American origin or descent; a term used to refer to women from Latin American countries or with Latin American heritage
26. This evidence will form the _____ for our discussion.
- n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
27. She used an electric _____ to light her way through the dark cave.
- n.* a portable device that produces a flame, typically one that is used to light a fire or a candle
28. The Ottoman Empire _____ for over five centuries.
- v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
29. Many people are working together to close the gender _____.
- n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
30. The construction of the new dam will _____ hundreds of families living downstream.
- v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
31. The _____ coworker always found fault with everyone else's work.
- adj.* unpleasant or unpleasant to deal with; not likely to agree or comply with something or someone; having an unpleasant or negative temperament

ANSWERS: 24. disparity, 25. Latina, 26. basis, 27. torch, 28. flourished, 29. gap, 30. displace, 31. disagreeable

32. His final goal is to sail around the _____.
- n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
33. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
- n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
34. He's utterly _____ with his promotion.
- v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
35. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.
- n.* the first existence or beginning of something
36. I _____ for reasons already stated above.
- v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
37. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
- v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
38. The monarch exploited the peasants using its _____ power.
- adj.* established firmly and securely
39. The paper is _____ worth reading thoroughly.
- adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
40. The school is planning to _____ to purchase new books for the library.
- v.* to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms

ANSWERS: 32. globe, 33. Climate, 34. obsessed, 35. origin, 36. disagree, 37. relate, 38. entrenched, 39. definitely, 40. fundraise

41. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.
- v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
42. 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
43. I love to relax on the _____ and watch movies on the weekends.
- n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
44. His _____ continued to rise as his skills improved.
- n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
45. The border patrol has recently been focusing on cracking down on _____ non-citizens.
- adj.* not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission
46. 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: 41. invest, 42. economy, 43. couch, 44. wages, 45. undocumented, 46. damage

47. He was a _____ soldier who had served his country with honor.

adj. able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

48. In a democratic country, governments promote _____ opportunities to participate in society.

adj. fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly

49. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

50. The watch was _____ designed, with many small moving parts.

adv. in a manner that involves a lot of detailed and complex arrangement or planning; with many interconnected parts or components

51. This newspaper is supposed to be _____ neutral.

adv. in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation

52. It was the first time in a long time that I felt truly _____ and at peace.

adj. not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves

53. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.

n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

54. 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

55. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

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

ANSWERS: 47. courageous, 48. equitable, 49. inspired, 50. intricately, 51. politically, 52. calm, 53. folk, 54. continent, 55. government

56. Agricultural development generally _____ economic growth.
v. to happen or go before something or someone in time or space
57. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
58. He devised a new analytical _____ to capture the phenomenon.
n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
59. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.
v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
60. The police are searching for the _____ who stole the jewels.
n. a person who has committed a crime
61. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for _____ of authority.
n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
62. This weather pattern is unique to the southern _____.
n. half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere
63. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.
n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
64. Our law firm also focuses on _____ activities.
adj. not established for commercial profit

ANSWERS: 56. precedes, 57. context, 58. framework, 59. deserved, 60. criminal, 61. abuse, 62. hemisphere, 63. strength, 64. nonprofit

65. After ten years of teaching, she took a _____ to travel the world.
- n.* a period of leave granted to a person for rest, travel, or other pursuits, often in academia or other professions
66. The violent _____ caused widespread damage and injuries throughout the region.
- n.* a sudden and violent shaking of the ground caused by the movement of rock beneath the earth's surface
67. A rainbow is a natural _____.
- n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
68. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.
- v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
69. The storm wreaked _____ on the town, causing widespread damage and power outages.
- n.* widespread destruction or devastation, often caused by natural disasters, war, or other violent events
70. The champagne had a delightful _____ with tiny bubbles rising to the surface.
- n.* the process or state of bubbling or fizzing, often caused by the release of gas; liveliness, enthusiasm, or excitement
71. They opened a bottle of _____ to celebrate their success.
- n.* a type of sparkling wine produced in the Champagne region of France, or any similar wine produced elsewhere

ANSWERS: 65. sabbatical, 66. earthquake, 67. phenomenon, 68. launch, 69. havoc, 70. effervescence, 71. champagne

72. This vaccine causes mild _____ side effects.

adj. affecting or related to the whole of something, especially the human body or a society

73. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

74. The _____ plants need to be pollinated by local insects.

adj. someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place

75. The _____ response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

76. 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

77. Some cultures _____ their rulers, considering them godlike and infallible.

v. to worship or regard someone or something as divine or almost perfect; to idealize or elevate someone or something to a godlike status

78. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

79. The diplomatic rivalry between the two countries has strengthened the _____ of their intra-regional supply chains for their manufacturing industries.

n. the fact or state of depending on each other

ANSWERS: 72. systemic, 73. conversation, 74. indigenous, 75. disaster, 76. immigrants, 77. deify, 78. extraordinary, 79. interdependence

80. The police officer _____ removed the protesters from the public park.

adv. done by physical power or violence; against someone's will

81. The _____ mission in the war-torn country was challenging but necessary.

n. the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives

82. The _____ of the new traffic laws led to a decrease in accidents.

n. the act of ensuring that rules, regulations, or laws are obeyed or implemented; the act of applying force or pressure to compel compliance with rules or laws

83. Water was beginning to _____ into the basement after the heavy rain.

v. to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities

84. The security guard stopped and _____ the suspicious-looking person at the entrance to the building.

v. to search for someone or something in a quick, lively manner, often to discover something hidden or suspicious; to frolic or skip about in a lively or playful manner

85. He put the fishing line on the _____ and cast his line into the water.

n. a cylinder on which film, wire, or other flexible materials that can be wound

86. 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

ANSWERS: 80. forcibly, 81. peacekeeping, 82. enforcement, 83. trickle, 84. frisked, 85. reel, 86. absence

87. He never _____ his fault.

- v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

88. There is a lot of _____ nature and food in Hawaii.

- adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

89. The _____ rhetoric of the politician only seeks to sow division and hatred among people.

- adj.* showing strong dislike or fear of people from other countries or cultures; having a strong bias or prejudice against outsiders

90. International law allows each nation to _____ itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.

- v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

91. Poverty is not a reproach; however, _____ is.

- n.* the act of taking anything from someone or somewhere unlawfully; stealing

92. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.

- v.* to frighten someone very much

93. She expressed her _____ towards the kind stranger who helped her.

- n.* the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness

94. The _____ home has been in the family for generations.

- adj.* related to or connected with members of your family from the past

ANSWERS: 87. acknowledged, 88. awesome, 89. xenophobic, 90. defend, 91. theft, 92. terrify, 93. gratitude, 94. ancestral

95. The drama series mainly received _____.
- n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something
96. Without investment, a business cannot _____.
- v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
97. My father's death _____ my life completely.
- v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
98. The _____ attack left the victim with serious injuries.
- adj.* harsh or cruel
99. 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
100. He could not _____ against temptation.
- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
101. Ethics is a branch of _____.
- n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
102. Strategic _____ of cutting-edge technology would be a sure formula for success.
- n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful

ANSWERS: 95. praise, 96. thrive, 97. transformed, 98. brutal, 99. involves, 100. struggle, 101. philosophy, 102. exploitation

103. The popularity of the show made her an instant _____.
- n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
104. He imposed a _____ on the project.
- n.* a series of events arranged in chronological order and displayed along a line, usually drawn left to right or top to bottom
105. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.
- n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
106. We are trying to _____ this disease from the world.
- v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
107. His family is the oldest _____ of the island.
- n.* a person or an animal that lives in a particular place
108. She repeated her personal _____ to herself to stay motivated.
- n.* a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation
109. 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
110. My home is easily _____ from the shore.
- adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view

ANSWERS: 103. celebrity, 104. timeline, 105. vision, 106. eradicate, 107. inhabitant, 108. mantra, 109. process, 110. visible

111. The outbreak of _____ was a major health crisis in the 19th century.
- n.* a severe infectious disease that causes acute diarrhea, vomiting, and dehydration, often resulting in a rapid and dangerous loss of body fluids and electrolytes
112. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.
- n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
113. Many people worry that the current real estate market is a _____ that could burst soon.
- n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
114. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.
- n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
115. Throughout the _____ the bank robbers wore masks.
- n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
116. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
- adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
117. _____ technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.
- adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
118. The _____ session of the Diet opened.
- adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

ANSWERS: 111. cholera, 112. infrastructure, 113. bubble, 114. concept, 115. raid, 116. opportune, 117. Emerging, 118. ordinary

119. All products produced by our factory undergo rigorous _____.

n. careful and detailed examination

120. 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

121. The third _____ was far more successful.

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

122. The country's domestic coal consumption has been _____ declining for decades.

adv. without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly

123. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.

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

124. This device displayed the speech _____ spectrographically.

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

125. 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

126. He managed to ____ out a living by doing odd jobs.

v. to make a living or support oneself with difficulty or by supplementing one's income with additional work or resources; to manage or get by with what is available, often by means of careful or thrifty measures

ANSWERS: 119. scrutiny, 120. wit, 121. attempt, 122. continuously, 123. contribute, 124. spectrum, 125. nation, 126. eke

127. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

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

ANSWERS: 127. decide