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Session 1: Word List

- AI** *n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation
synonym : robot, machine learning, neural network
(1) **AI** expert, (2) apply **AI** technology to art
The evolution of processors has dramatically improved the performance of **AI**.
- underlying** *adj.* significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly
synonym : fundamental, latent, basic
(1) an **underlying** motive, (2) an **underlying** cause of an accident
The **underlying** principle of every business was identical.
- digital** *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
synonym : numerical, computerized, cyber
(1) a **digital** watch, (2) **digital** electronic signature

Sensors convert physical phenomena into **digital** signals.

currency

n. a system of money in general use in a particular country
synonym : money, tender, cash

(1) **currency** exchange, (2) digital **currency**

The **currency** used in this country is the Euro.

Bitcoin

n. a digital or virtual currency that uses cryptography for secure financial transactions, control of additional unit creation, and verification of asset transfers, which operates independently of centralized banking systems and is based on a decentralized ledger technology called blockchain

synonym : cryptocurrency, digital currency

(1) **Bitcoin** wallet, (2) **Bitcoin** transaction

Many businesses now accept **Bitcoin** as a form of payment.

blockchain

n. a system in which a growing list of payment records, called blocks, made in cryptocurrency is maintained across several computers that are securely linked

(1) **blockchain** platform, (2) the scalability of **blockchain**

Cryptocurrencies are only one form of implementation of **blockchain** technology.

vast

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

synonym : expansive, extended, boundless

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

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

individually

adv. separately or apart from others

synonym : separately, one by one, independently

(1) answer questions **individually**, (2) **individually** designed product

Each department has done its product costing **individually**.

democracy

n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to

choose governing officials to do so

synonym : self-government, republic, commonwealth

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

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

asset

n. something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property

synonym : aid, resource, equity

(1) frozen **assets**, (2) liquid **assets** of the company

A sense of humor is an invaluable **asset** in this job.

bond

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

synonym : bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

loyalty

n. the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something

synonym : faithfulness, devotion, allegiance

(1) **loyalty** program, (2) earn his **loyalty**

He has always shown great **loyalty** to his friends and family.

intellect

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

synonym : mind, brightness, cleverness

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

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

property

n. a thing or things that belong to someone

synonym : belongings, possessions, equity

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

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

carbon

n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

(1) **carbon** dioxide, (2) **carbon** emission

Trees absorb **carbon** dioxide and give off oxygen.

creditor

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

cryptography

n. the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers

synonym: coding, steganography, encryption

(1) asymmetric **cryptography**, (2) digital **cryptography**

The software engineers developed a new **cryptography** algorithm to protect users' data.

rely

v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

synonym: depend, count, lean

(1) **rely** on convenience stores, (2) **rely** entirely on him

Babies heavily **rely** on others for food.

entirely

adv. completely

synonym: completely, fully, totally

(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame

Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

intermediary

n. a person or organization that acts as a go-between or mediator in negotiations or transactions between two or more parties; a middleman, a broker, or an agent who facilitates communication, trade, or dealings

synonym: middleman, mediator, agent

(1) financial **intermediary**, (2) **intermediary** role

The **intermediary** between the buyer and the seller helped them agree.

middleman

n. a person who acts as an intermediary between two or more parties, often facilitating the exchange of goods or services and taking a commission or fee for their services

synonym: intermediary, agent, broker

(1) trusted **middleman**, (2) business **middleman**

The **middleman** in the real estate deal ensured a smooth and fair transaction.

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.

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.

transaction

n. an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something

synonym: trade, dealing, commerce

(1) card with no foreign **transaction** fees, (2) **transaction** balance

Electronic **transactions** remain incomplete due to system errors.

logic

n. a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

synonym: reasoning, reason, ratiocination

(1) an indisputable **logic**, (2) a demonstration in **logic**

There's no **logic** in his description.

commerce

n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

synonym: trade, transaction, dealings

(1) interstate **commerce**, (2) the local chamber of **commerce**

This company has invested heavily in Internet **commerce**.

authenticate

v. to confirm or verify the validity or authenticity of something; to prove or establish that something is genuine or true

synonym: confirm, validate, verify

(1) **authenticate** documents, (2) **authenticate** software license

The security system requires users to **authenticate** their identity before gaining access.

identification

n. the act or process of recognizing, proving, or designating someone or something

synonym: recognition, designation, label

(1) an **identification** tag for children, (2) personal **identification** number

Eye movements complicate **identification** by retinal scanning.

settle

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

synonym: inhabit, occupy, decide

(1) **settle** a dispute, (2) **settle** down in the town

I don't want to **settle** for second best.

hack

v. to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks

synonym : cut, chop, crack

(1) **hack** through the jungle, (2) **hack** into the program

This blog offers a variety of tips for **hacking** everyday life.

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym : more and more, progressively

(1) **increasingly** become common, (2) face **increasingly** complicated challenges

Our company found it **increasingly** difficult to keep up with the competition.

federal

adj. relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level

synonym : national, central, governmental

(1) **federal** regulations, (2) **federal** funding

The **federal** government announced new regulations to protect the environment.

depot

n. a place or a building where goods, materials, or equipment are stored, manufactured, or distributed; a transportation hub where buses or trains start or end their journeys

synonym : warehouse, storage, station

(1) weapon **depot**, (2) food **depot**

The train **depot** was a hub for commuters and travelers.

exclude

v. to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity

synonym : expel, ban, bar

(1) **exclude** a newcomer, (2) **exclude** all other possibilities

The cost for the trip **excludes** food and beverages.

capture

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

synonym: catch, arrest, imprison

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

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

monetize

v. to earn money from something, such as an asset, business, etc.; to coin into money

synonym: mint, make profit

(1) **monetize** my skill, (2) **monetize** nickel

He explored ways to **monetize** his digital content.

privacy

n. someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people

synonym: seclusion, aloneness, solitariness

(1) **privacy** abuse, (2) trespass on a person's **privacy**

This conduct would be an invasion of **privacy**.

undermine

v. to make someone or something less powerful, less effective, weaker gradually; to make someone's fame, confidence, or authority less effective or weaker gradually

synonym: damage, subvert, weaken

(1) **undermine** a good relationship, (2) **undermine** their adversary's reputation

They tried to **undermine** her position by slandering her.

appropriate

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

synonym: fitting, suitable, proper

(1) **appropriate** behavior, (2) an **appropriate** time

It would be **appropriate** to dress nicely for the wedding.

largess

n. generous giving or bestowing of gifts, especially in a philanthropic or charitable manner; a generous or abundant amount

synonym: generosity, charity, beneficence

(1) philanthropic **largess**, (2) celebrity's **largess**

The CEO's generous **largess** allowed the employees to enjoy extravagant bonuses.

asymmetrical

adj. lacking symmetry or balance; unevenly or irregularly shaped; not corresponding in terms of quantity, size, or position

synonym : uneven, lopsided, crooked

(1) **asymmetrical** design, (2) **asymmetrical** haircut

The **asymmetrical** shape of the vase made it unique and exciting.

wealth

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

synonym : affluence, assets, fortunate

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

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

inequality

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

synonym : imbalance, prejudice, unfairness

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

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

distribute

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

synonym : broadcast, disperse, hand out

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

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

ledger

n. a book or computer program used to keep track of financial transactions; a collection of records or accounts kept in such a book or program

synonym : book, register, account

(1) financial **ledger**, (2) personal **ledger**

The auditor checked every entry in the **ledger** for accuracy.

transact

v. to carry out or conduct a business or other transaction; to complete or fulfill an agreement, deal, or contract

synonym: conduct, carry out, perform

(1) **transact** internationally, (2) **transact** in cash

I need to **transact** some business at the bank before it closes.

exchange

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

synonym: trade, swap, interchange

(1) **exchange** rate, (2) **exchange** a few friendly words

My sister and I frequently **exchange** books, as we love reading.

native

adj. connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

synonym: endemic, domestic, aboriginal

(1) **native** to Africa, (2) **native** language

The vegetation here is almost wholly **native**.

medium

adj. of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

synonym: average, intermediate, (noun) channel

(1) **medium** color, (2) an advertising **medium**

The **medium** size shirt fits him perfectly.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

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

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

propitious

adj. favorable or advantageous; presenting favorable conditions or opportunities for success

synonym : favorable, advantageous, promising

(1) **propitious** circumstances, (2) **propitious** sign

The **propitious** timing of her job offer allowed her to easily transition from one job to another without any gaps in employment.

anonymous

adj. having no known name, identity, or known source

synonym : nameless, unidentified, unnamed

(1) **anonymous** letter, (2) **anonymous** house

She received several **anonymous** calls.

develop

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

synonym : evolve, progress, advance

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

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

protocol

n. a set of rules or procedures for transmitting data or conducting a process or activity, especially in computer networks or scientific experiments; the initial or original version of an agreement

synonym : procedure, system, method

(1) draft a **protocol**, (2) **protocol** breach

The company has a strict **protocol** for handling sensitive information to ensure security.

cryptocurrency

n. any system of electronic money that does not rely on any central authority to uphold or maintain it

(1) **cryptocurrency** boom, (2) **cryptocurrency** market
The **cryptocurrency** community is becoming more diverse every year.

spark

v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

synonym: start, inspire, provoke

(1) **spark** his interest, (2) **spark** a chain reaction

The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate **sparked** turmoil in the stock market.

ignite

v. to set on fire; to cause to start burning

synonym: light, set fire to, ignite

(1) **ignite** a boom, (2) **ignite** passion

He **ignited** the fireworks with a single spark.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

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.

confuse

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

synonym: confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

speculator

n. a person who invests in a venture with the hope of making a profit, often taking on significant risks; someone who engages in speculation

synonym:

investor, trader, gambler

(1) risky **speculator**, (2) stock market **speculator**

The land **speculator** purchased large tracts of land in anticipation of future development.

broad

adj. very wide; general

synonym: wide, expansive, comprehensive

(1) attract **broad** attention, (2) a **broad** mind

He accumulated wealth across a **broad** spectrum of assets.

fiat

n. a formal authorization or order, typically given by a government, institution, or other authority figures; a decree or edict

synonym: decree, order, command

(1) **fiat** currency, (2) **fiat** agreement

The car manufacturer announced a new **fiat** model that will be released next year.

nation-state

n. a sovereign political entity that is composed of a nation, which is a group of people who share a common cultural, linguistic, or ethnic identity

synonym: sovereignty, independence, autonomy

(1) emerging **nation-state**, (2) **nation-state** autonomy

Some people argue that the rise of globalization has weakened the power of **nation-states**.

pony

n. a small horse

synonym: cayuse

(1) **pony** engine, (2) a spotted **pony**

At this ranch, children can experience riding a **pony**.

peer

n. a person who has the same age, status, or ability

synonym: fellow, associate, counterpart

(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review

Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.

institute

n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

synonym: academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**

This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

collaboration

n. the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

synonym: affiliation, alliance, coalition

(1) **collaboration** between companies, (2) **collaboration** platform

The partnership program requires a mutual **collaboration** between both agencies.

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym: behave, lead, carry on

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

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

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

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

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

compute

v. to make a mathematical calculation

synonym: calculate

(1) **compute** an average score, (2) **compute** the value

I tried to **compute** the efficiency of the investment.

fingertip

n. the end or tip of a finger

(1) apply **fingertip** pressure, (2) burn my **fingertip**

The archaeologist ran his **fingertips** along the pattern of the tombstones.

heartbeat

n. the regular movement or sound of the heart as it sends blood around the body; an animating or vital unifying force

synonym : beat, pulse, force

(1) **heartbeat** abnormality, (2) a pounding **heartbeat**
New York is the commercial **heartbeat** of America.

compete

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

synonym : contend, contest, vie

(1) **compete** against a friend, (2) **compete** fiercely
You must **compete** with others to obtain this position.

validate

v. to check or prove that something is true; to make something officially or legally acceptable or approved

synonym : approve, certify, verify

(1) **validate** a hypothesis, (2) **validate** a passport
To **validate** your purchase, please visit the following link.

reward

n. a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

synonym : compensation, gratuity, bonus

(1) the **reward** for good works, (2) shopping **rewards** cards
Night fishing has a lot of **rewards**.

chain

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

synonym : series, string, link

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

timestamp

n. a record in printed or digital form that shows when a specific event happened, usually giving the date and time of day

(1) the **timestamp** on a file, (2) a UNIX **timestamp**
The engineer checked the log records' **timestamps** to investigate the system's bug.

- wax** *n.* a substance that is solid at room temperature but becomes softer and more pliable when heated, often used in the production of candles, polishes, and cosmetics; (verb) to become large
(1) **wax** finish, (2) **wax** and wane
He sealed the letter with a **wax** seal.
- seal** *v.* to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed
synonym : enclose, shut, close
(1) **seal** a hole, (2) a fur **seal**
He **sealed** the letter with hot wax.
- preceding** *adj.* occurring or coming before something or somebody in time or order; previous or former
synonym : former, earlier, antecedent
(1) **preceding** paragraph, (2) **preceding** year
During the **preceding** quarter, the company experienced significant growth.
- simultaneously** *adv.* at the same time
synonym : concurrently, coincidentally, together
(1) **simultaneously** affected, (2) take several inputs
simultaneously
Two students answered the teacher's question **simultaneously**.
- encrypt** *v.* to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons
synonym : encode, cipher, scramble
(1) **encrypt** data, (2) **encrypt** message
To protect their sensitive information, many businesses **encrypt** their files.

infinite

adj. unlimited or very great; impossible to measure

synonym : boundless, countless, limitless

(1) **infinite** appetite, (2) **infinite** in supply

The battle had an **infinite** impact on the nation.

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.

contract

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

synonym : agreement, deal, arrangement

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

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

execute

v. to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.

synonym : direct, conduct, enforce

(1) **execute** a bold strategy, (2) **execute** a double play

The mafioso who collaborated with the police was **executed**.

handle

v. to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

synonym : control, manage, deal with

(1) **handle** a precious object, (2) **handled** the incident

We all should learn how to **handle** stress.

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.

underway

adj. having started and currently in progress

synonym : afoot, ongoing, in motion

(1) just getting **underway**, (2) campaign now **underway**

This project has been **underway** for several years.

replacement

n. the act of replacing something with something else, especially that is newer or better; a person or thing that takes or can take the place of another

synonym : alternate, substitute, backup

(1) regular **replacement** of tires, (2) **replacement** cost

We demand his **replacement**.

politician

n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

synonym : congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

(1) a **politician** in the ruling party, (2) a corrupt **politician**

The **politician** lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym : acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

ridiculous

adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at

synonym : absurd, fatuous, foolish

(1) a **ridiculous** amount of money, (2) a **ridiculous** suggestion

Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as **ridiculous** but was later proven correct.

complicated

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

synonym : complex, convoluted, intricate

(1) a **complicated** process, (2) become increasingly

complicated

He did **complicated** pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

crack

v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

synonym : snap, burst, break

(1) **crack** an eggshell, (2) a **crack** in a board

He that would eat the kernel must **crack** the nut.

tap

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

synonym : knock, exploit, use

(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger

To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.

stream

n. a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.

synonym : flow, current, brook

(1) the **stream** of time, (2) an endless **stream** of cars

Jet **streams** are the common name for air currents that form high in the atmosphere.

mainframe

n. a large and powerful computer with a lot of memory used primarily by large organizations for critical applications

(1) **mainframe** computer, (2) **mainframe** operating system

IBM has consistently been a significant supplier of **mainframes** for a long time.

settlement

n. an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a

place.

synonym: agreement, accommodation, colonization

(1) the **settlement** of a dispute, (2) **settlement** in a new house

Our goal must be to achieve a peaceful **settlement**.

upheaval

n. great change, disruption, or disturbance; (geology) a rise of land to a higher elevation

synonym: disturbance, turmoil, upheaval

(1) **upheaval** of society, (2) the big **upheaval** of my life

The recent political **upheaval** has left the country in a state of chaos.

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym: substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone

Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

embrace

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

synonym: grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**

The woods **embrace** the house.

prosperity

n. the state of being successful and having the good fortune

synonym: affluence, accomplishment, capital

(1) economic **prosperity**, (2) **prosperity** of humankind

This war shattered dreams of peace and **prosperity**.

extremist

n. a person who holds extreme political or religious views and who is willing to use violent or illegal methods to promote those views

synonym: radical, fanatic, zealot

(1) **extremist** political views, (2) radical **extremist**

The **extremist** group planned a series of violent attacks to push its agenda.

xenophobia

n. extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries

synonym: fear, hatred, aversion

(1) suffer from **xenophobia**, (2) linguistic **xenophobia**

The **xenophobia** in society makes it hard for immigrants to assimilate and integrate.

Brexit

n. (short for "British exit") the United Kingdom's decision to leave the European Union (EU), which originates from a nationwide referendum held in the UK on June 23, 2016, in which 51.9% of voters chose to leave the EU

(1) **Brexit** referendum, (2) **Brexit** transition period

Many European citizens living in the UK are concerned about their rights post- **Brexit**.

redistribute

v. to share something among people in a different way

synonym: rearrange, readjust, reconstruct

(1) **redistribute** income fairly, (2) **redistribute** data

The general **redistributed** the troops more strategically.

engaging

adj. attracting, pleasant, or charming

synonym: alluring, interesting, engrossing

(1) **engaging** story, (2) an **engaging** smile

She was disbarred for her **engaging** in fraud.

compensation

n. something especially money, given or received as payment or reparation for a service or loss or injury

synonym: reparation, allowance, reward

(1) unemployment **compensation**, (2) other forms of **compensation**

He claimed **compensation** for the injury.

tenuous

adj. very weak or slight that it hardly exists

synonym: slight, fragile, slender

(1) **tenuous** relationship, (2) **tenuous** link

Evidence submitted by attorneys is **tenuous** due to a lack of objectivity.

dictator

n. a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force

synonym: autocrat, tyrant, despot

(1) military **dictator**, (2) a **dictator** with enormous powers

A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the **dictator**.

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym: abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

economical

adj. providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

synonym: frugal, thrifty, parsimonious

(1) **economical** use of her time, (2) an **economical** meal

It is more **economical** to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

mobility

n. the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another

synonym: flexibility, maneuverability

(1) lack in **mobility**, (2) improve social **mobility**

I have limited **mobility** in my arms.

valid

adj. having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable

synonym: proper, reasonable, useful

(1) a **valid** contract, (2) a ticket **valid** for two days

Your credit card is no longer **valid**.

immutable

adj. unchanging; permanent or unalterable

synonym : unchanging, constant, permanent

(1) **immutable** love, (2) **immutable** characteristics

The laws of physics are **immutable**; they never change.

secondly

adv. used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.

synonym : in the second place, next, subsequently

(1) **secondly** connected, (2) **secondly**, it is important

Firstly, we will discuss the budget; **secondly**, we will go over the schedule.

precise

adj. sharply exact or accurate or delimited

synonym : accurate, exact, distinct

(1) **precise** analyses, (2) estimate **precise** costs

The content is **precise** and informative for me.

aggregate

n. a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items

synonym : total, sum, whole

(1) data **aggregate**, (2) an **aggregate** of people

The **aggregate** amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.

corporation

n. a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

synonym : business, company, enterprise

(1) a public **corporation**, (2) **corporation** assets

Four companies were amalgamated into a single **corporation**.

essentially

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

synonym : fundamentally, basically, virtually

(1) **essentially** correct, (2) become **essentially** same

Essentially, a society is an organism.

database

n. a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily

(1) **database** administrator, (2) employee **database**

Each country's officials can access the central **database**.

criteria

n. (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided

synonym: bars, benchmarks, standards

(1) **criteria** for action, (2) consistency **criteria**

He didn't meet all the **criteria**, but he was hired anyway.

sift

v. to put flour, sugar, etc. through a sieve (= a utensil consisting of a wire or plastic mesh in a frame) to remove lumps or large particles

synonym: filter, go through, sieve

(1) **sift** the candidates, (2) **sift** sand

The search engine helps **sift** information.

identify

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

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

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

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

reputation

n. the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors

synonym: fame, standing, esteem

(1) **reputation** risk, (2) cloud his **reputation**

She has a good **reputation** for being one of the best chefs in the city.

disrupt

v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by

causing a problem or disturbance

synonym: interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition, (2) **disrupt** sleep
I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

silicon

n. a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

(1) **silicon** wafer, (2) crystalline **silicon**

Silicon is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.

valley

n. a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

synonym: canyon, gorge, dale

(1) **valley** bottom, (2) basin-shaped **valley**

The **valley** had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

corporate

adj. of or relating to a large company

synonym: business, commercial, organizational

(1) **corporate** right, (2) **corporate** environment

The **corporate** office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

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.

aid

n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support

synonym: helper, resource, assistance

(1) financial **aid**, (2) country-by-country **aid** programs

Pakistan's **aid** budget was still being reviewed.

remittance

n. the act of sending money or paying a debt; a sum of money sent as payment or as a gift

synonym: payment, transfer, remittal

(1) electronic **remittance**, (2) monthly **remittance**

The **remittance** of the payment was delayed due to a technical error.

diaspora

n. the scattering of a people who have left their traditional homeland

synonym: scattering, dispersion, migration

(1) **diaspora** migration, (2) **diaspora** community

The **diaspora** of the Jewish people has led to a worldwide community.

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.

rip

v. to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly

synonym: tear, cut, slit

(1) **rip** a notebook apart, (2) **rip** a hole in the roof

During transit, the stuff may **rip** off the luggage tag.

housekeeping

n. the management and upkeep of a household, hotel, or other living or working space, including cleaning, maintenance, organization, and other related tasks

synonym: cleaning, housework, tidying up

(1) **housekeeping** duties, (2) daily **housekeeping**

The hotel's **housekeeping** staff does a great job keeping the rooms clean and tidy.

union

n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working

conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

synonym : alliance, coalition, confederation

(1) bank and credit **unions**, (2) a craft **union**

The trade **union** remained adamant about its demands.

device

n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

synonym : gadget, instrument, tool

(1) electronic **device**, (2) tracking **device**

I always carry a backup **device** in case my phone runs out of battery.

buck

n. a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention

synonym : dollar, money, currency

(1) **buck** the trend, (2) extra **buck**

I spotted a majestic **buck** with large antlers standing at the forest's edge.

interface

n. (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things

synonym : junction, surface, UI

(1) **interface** between gas and liquid, (2) the user **interface**

Detergent weakens the surface tension at the **interface** of two liquids.

teller

n. a person who works in a bank or financial institution and is responsible for processing customers' deposits, withdrawals, and other transactions, also referred to as a bank teller; a person who tells stories or relates information to an audience

synonym :

cashier, bank clerk, clerk

(1) fortune- **teller**, (2) **teller** machine

The bank **teller** carefully counted the money before handing it to the customer.

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.

agrarian

adj. relating to the cultivation of land or the raising of crops and animals; characterized by a society that relies on agriculture as its primary means of sustenance

synonym : agricultural, farming, rural

(1) **agrarian** society, (2) **agrarian** reform

Most of the people in the **agrarian** community work in agriculture.

industrial

adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry

synonym : manufacturing, mechanical

(1) beginning of the **industrial** revolution, (2) **industrial** alcohol

Industrial design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.

trail

n. a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind

synonym : footpath, track, course

(1) a warm **trail**, (2) follow the **trail**

The storm left a **trail** of destruction behind it.

crumb

n. a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something

synonym :

fragment, particle, bit

(1) **crumb** of information, (2) bread **crumb**

My dog found a **crumb** on the floor and quickly ate it.

virtual

adj. being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

synonym : practical

(1) a **virtual** image, (2) trading of **virtual** currencies

She is the **virtual** president of the company.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym : discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

identity

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

synonym : character, personality, individuality

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

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

stingy

adj. unwilling to spend or give freely; characterized by an excessive unwillingness to share or be generous

synonym : tightfisted, miserly, frugal

(1) **stingy** benefits package for employees, (2) **stingy** with money

He's always been **stingy** with his time and rarely tries to spend it with his family.

shred

v. to tear or cut something into a small pieces; (noun) a tiny or scarcely detectable amount

synonym : rip up, tear up, cut

(1) **shred** paper into little pieces, (2) **shred** lettuce for a salad

There is not a **shred** of evidence that he is guilty.

avatar

n. (the concept in Hinduism) a god appearing in human or superhuman or animal form; a graphical representation of a user or the user's character or persona in online games, chat rooms, etc.

synonym: embodiment, expression, apotheosis

(1) digital **avatar**, (2) the **avatar** of the authority

A person's cyberspace **avatar** often represents the appearance and behavior that the person wants to be.

sweeping

adj. extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures

synonym: broad, extensive, vast

(1) **sweeping** changes, (2) **sweeping** landscapes

The **sweeping** views from the mountaintop were breathtaking.

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

songwriter

n. a person who writes songs, particularly lyrics, and music for popular music or other genres

synonym: lyricist, composer, balladeer

(1) **songwriter's** album, (2) folk **songwriter**

The aspiring **songwriter** spent hours every day composing and practicing his music.

royalty

n. revenue derived from the use of a patent, copyright, or other right; the people who are the family of a king and queen

synonym : nobility, aristocracy, monarch

(1) a grandchild of **royalty**, (2) **royalty** income

The **royalty** payments for the use of the patented technology were quite high.

heap

n. an untidy pile or mass of something; a large number or amount or extent of something

synonym : pile, accumulation, stack

(1) a **heap** of trash, (2) top of the **heap**

A **heap** of old clothes was lying in the room.

ecosystem

n. all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

(1) marine **ecosystem**, (2) change the **ecosystem**

Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the **ecosystem**.

surrounding

adj. that is near or around, or closely encircling something

synonym : circumferent, encircling, neighboring

(1) **surrounding** areas, (2) a fence **surrounding** a castle

The **surrounding** mountains make the city difficult to be invaded.

micro

n. extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth

(1) **micro** bubble, (2) **micro** force sensor

This approach employs both **micro** and macro analysis methods.

specify

v. to explain or state something clearly and exactly

synonym : establish, pinpoint, identify

(1) **specify** a cause, (2) **specify** an option

You can **specify** the font color by clicking the Color tab.

ringtone

n. a sound or melody that plays on a mobile phone to indicate an incoming call or message

synonym : ringback tone, caller tune, dialler tone

(1) download **ringtone**, (2) **ringtone** melody
I forgot to silence my phone during the meeting, and everyone heard my embarrassing **ringtone**.

platform

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

synonym: stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise
The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

invention

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

synonym: creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**
Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

discovery

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

journalist

n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

synonym: reporter, newsperson, press

(1) a China-based **journalist**, (2) **journalist** on a magazine
Foreign TV crews and **journalists** can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

countless

adj. too numerous to be counted or very many

synonym: innumerable, myriad, numerous

(1) **countless** hours, (2) answer **countless** questions

There are **countless** methods for dealing with stress.

applicable

adj. fit or suitable to be applied; having relevance to a person or thing

synonym: practical, usable, useful

(1) give **applicable** examples, (2) accordance with **applicable** law

This regulation is not **applicable** to minors.

genie

n. in Islamic mythology, a supernatural spirit that is usually depicted as being bound to serve a human master and possessing magical powers; a creature or a force that can grant wishes or fulfill desires

synonym: djinn, spirit, demon

(1) **genie** bottle, (2) **genie** lamp

No one believed in the **genie's** existence until he appeared in front of them.

summon

v. to order someone to come to or be present at a specific place such as a court, or to arrange a meeting formally

synonym: call for, muster, assemble

(1) **summon** a lawyer, (2) **summon** a city council

The chairperson was responsible for **summoning** committees.

uncertain

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

synonym: doubtful, skeptical, pending

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

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

rewrite

v. to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information

synonym: revise, edit, rework

(1) **rewrite** a composition, (2) **rewrite** a world record

I need to **rewrite** most of the essay with feedback from my

teacher.

grid

n. a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

synonym : gridiron, battery grid, power system

(1) a **grid** design, (2) a wire **grid**

Grid pattern roads often appear in urban areas.

Session 2: Spelling

1. co_____ct law
n. a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
2. t_p a new market
v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
3. rep_____nt cost
n. the act of replacing something with something else, especially that is newer or better; a person or thing that takes or can take the place of another
4. a warm tr__l
n. a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
5. r__y entirely on him
v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
6. aut_____ate software license
v. to confirm or verify the validity or authenticity of something; to prove or establish that something is genuine or true
7. the re___d for good works
n. a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

ANSWERS: 1. contract, 2. tap, 3. replacement, 4. trail, 5. rely, 6. authenticate, 7. reward

8. id____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
9. the ti_____mp on a file *n.* a record in printed or digital form that shows when a specific event happened, usually giving the date and time of day
10. bread cr__b *n.* a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something
11. shopping re____ds cards *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
12. chemical pr_____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
13. follow the tr__l *n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
14. cor_____on assets *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
15. ine_____ty in salary *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
16. an indisputable lo__c *n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

ANSWERS: 8. identity, 9. timestamp, 10. crumb, 11. reward, 12. property, 13. trail, 14. corporation, 15. inequality, 16. logic

17. cry_____ncy market *n.* any system of electronic money that does not rely on any central authority to uphold or maintain it
18. b__d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
19. id_____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
20. se___e down in the town *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
21. ag_____an society *adj.* relating to the cultivation of land or the raising of crops and animals; characterized by a society that relies on agriculture as its primary means of sustenance
22. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
23. te_____s link *adj.* very weak or slight that it hardly exists
24. pro_____us sign *adj.* favorable or advantageous; presenting favorable conditions or opportunities for success
25. un_____ne their adversary's reputation *v.* to make someone or something less powerful, less effective, weaker gradually; to make someone's fame, confidence, or authority less effective or weaker gradually
26. data ag_____te *n.* a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items

ANSWERS: 17. cryptocurrency, 18. bond, 19. identify, 20. settle, 21. agrarian, 22. government, 23. tenuous, 24. propitious, 25. undermine, 26. aggregate

27. cloud his rep_____on *n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
28. sh__d paper into little pieces *v.* to tear or cut something into a small pieces; (noun) a tiny or scarcely detectable amount
29. ge__e bottle *n.* in Islamic mythology, a supernatural spirit that is usually depicted as being bound to serve a human master and possessing magical powers; a creature or a force that can grant wishes or fulfill desires
30. f__t currency *n.* a formal authorization or order, typically given by a government, institution, or other authority figures; a decree or edict
31. Bi_____n wallet *n.* a digital or virtual currency that uses cryptography for secure financial transactions, control of additional unit creation, and verification of asset transfers, which operates independently of centralized banking systems and is based on a decentralized ledger technology called blockchain
32. supply ch__n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
33. numerous un_____in factors *adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
34. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 27. reputation, 28. shred, 29. genie, 30. fiat, 31. Bitcoin, 32. chain, 33. uncertain, 34. develop

35. Br___t referendum *n.* (short for "British exit") the United Kingdom's decision to leave the European Union (EU), which originates from a nationwide referendum held in the UK on June 23, 2016, in which 51.9% of voters chose to leave the EU
36. di_____l electronic signature *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
37. cr__k an eggshell *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
38. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
39. take an un_____in attitude *adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
40. Bi_____n transaction *n.* a digital or virtual currency that uses cryptography for secure financial transactions, control of additional unit creation, and verification of asset transfers, which operates independently of centralized banking systems and is based on a decentralized ledger technology called blockchain
41. da_____se administrator *n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily

ANSWERS: 35. Brexit, 36. digital, 37. crack, 38. government, 39. uncertain, 40. Bitcoin, 41. database

42. su___n a city council *v.* to order someone to come to or be present at a specific place such as a court, or to arrange a meeting formally
43. Br___t transition period *n.* (short for "British exit") the United Kingdom's decision to leave the European Union (EU), which originates from a nationwide referendum held in the UK on June 23, 2016, in which 51.9% of voters chose to leave the EU
44. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
45. crystalline si_____n *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
46. sw_____ng changes *adj.* extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures
47. an arrival pl_____rm *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
48. app_____te behavior *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
49. an ide_____ion tag for children *n.* the act or process of recognizing, proving, or designating someone or something

ANSWERS: 42. summon, 43. Brexit, 44. democracy, 45. silicon, 46. sweeping, 47. platform, 48. appropriate, 49. identification

50. asymmetric cry_____phy *n.* the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers
51. a pounding he_____at *n.* the regular movement or sound of the heart as it sends blood around the body; an animating or vital unifying force
52. ind_____al alcohol *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
53. lo_____y program *n.* the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something
54. apply AI technology to art *n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation
55. a cr__k in a board *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
56. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
57. set_____nt in a new house *n.* an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.

ANSWERS: 50. cryptography, 51. heartbeat, 52. industrial, 53. loyalty, 54. AI, 55. crack, 56. responsible, 57. settlement

58. s__t the candidates *v.* to put flour, sugar, etc. through a sieve (= a utensil consisting of a wire or plastic mesh in a frame) to remove lumps or large particles
59. monthly rem_____ce *n.* the act of sending money or paying a debt; a sum of money sent as payment or as a gift
60. suffer from xen_____ia *n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
61. 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
62. ha___e a precious object *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
63. p__y engine *n.* a small horse
64. co_____te environment *adj.* of or relating to a large company
65. the scalability of blo_____in *n.* a system in which a growing list of payment records, called blocks, made in cryptocurrency is maintained across several computers that are securely linked
66. pr_____ol breach *n.* a set of rules or procedures for transmitting data or conducting a process or activity, especially in computer networks or scientific experiments; the initial or original version of an agreement

ANSWERS: 58. sift, 59. remittance, 60. xenophobia, 61. enforcement, 62. handle, 63. pony, 64. corporate, 65. blockchain, 66. protocol

67. s__l a hole v. to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed
68. mistaken id____ty n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
69. t_p keyboard with an index finger v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
70. an____us house adj. having no known name, identity, or known source
71. a warm em____e v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
72. a craft un__n n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
73. inc____gly become common adv. more and more
74. ha__ed the incident v. to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
75. int____ary role n. a person or organization that acts as a go-between or mediator in negotiations or transactions between two or more parties; a middleman, a broker, or an agent who facilitates communication, trade, or dealings

ANSWERS: 67. seal, 68. identity, 69. tap, 70. anonymous, 71. embrace, 72. union, 73. increasingly, 74. handle, 75. intermediary

76. folk son_____er *n.* a person who writes songs, particularly lyrics, and music for popular music or other genres
77. ca_____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
78. col_____ion between companies *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
79. va_____te a hypothesis *v.* to check or prove that something is true; to make something officially or legally acceptable or approved
80. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
81. jou_____st on a magazine *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
82. improve social mo_____ty *n.* the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another
83. card with no foreign tra_____on fees *n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
84. co_____t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
85. blo_____in platform *n.* a system in which a growing list of payment records, called blocks, made in cryptocurrency is maintained across several computers that are securely linked

ANSWERS: 76. songwriter, 77. capture, 78. collaboration, 79. validate, 80. opportune, 81. journalist, 82. mobility, 83. transaction, 84. conduct, 85. blockchain

86. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
87. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
88. te_____s relationship *adj.* very weak or slight that it hardly exists
89. bank and credit un__ns *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
90. business mi_____an *n.* a person who acts as an intermediary between two or more parties, often facilitating the exchange of goods or services and taking a commission or fee for their services
91. take several inputs sim_____sly *adv.* at the same time
92. human in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
93. apply fi_____ip pressure *n.* the end or tip of a finger
94. pro_____ty of humankind *n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune
95. estimate pr_____e costs *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
96. a corrupt pol_____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

ANSWERS: 86. complicated, 87. recognize, 88. tenuous, 89. union, 90. middleman, 91. simultaneously, 92. intellect, 93. fingertip, 94. prosperity, 95. precise, 96. politician

97. financial le___r *n.* a book or computer program used to keep track of financial transactions; a collection of records or accounts kept in such a book or program
98. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
99. the threats te_____y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
100. sp__k a chain reaction *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
101. become ess_____ly same *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
102. re_____e a world record *v.* to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information
103. im_____le love *adj.* unchanging; permanent or unalterable
104. the big up_____al of my life *n.* great change, disruption, or disturbance; (geology) a rise of land to a higher elevation
105. burn my fi_____ip *n.* the end or tip of a finger
106. pro_____us circumstances *adj.* favorable or advantageous; presenting favorable conditions or opportunities for success
107. ig___e passion *v.* to set on fire; to cause to start burning
108. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
109. interstate co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

ANSWERS: 97. ledger, 98. replace, 99. terrify, 100. spark, 101. essentially, 102. rewrite, 103. immutable, 104. upheaval, 105. fingertip, 106. propitious, 107. ignite, 108. excite, 109. commerce

110. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
111. beginning of the ind_____al revolution *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
112. su____n a lawyer *v.* to order someone to come to or be present at a specific place such as a court, or to arrange a meeting formally
113. ex_____e a newcomer *v.* to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity
114. ex____e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
115. ca____n dioxide *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
116. a UNIX ti_____mp *n.* a record in printed or digital form that shows when a specific event happened, usually giving the date and time of day
117. the st____m of time *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
118. se_____ly, it is important *adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.
119. the user in_____ce *n.* (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things

ANSWERS: 110. recognize, 111. industrial, 112. summon, 113. exclude, 114. excite, 115. carbon, 116. timestamp, 117. stream, 118. secondly, 119. interface

120. na___e language *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
121. a di____or with enormous powers *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
122. ess_____ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
123. a di____l watch *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
124. 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
125. campaign now un____ay *adj.* having started and currently in progress
126. co_____te right *adj.* of or relating to a large company
127. co_____e fiercely *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
128. en_____ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
129. di____t sleep *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

ANSWERS: 120. native, 121. dictator, 122. essentially, 123. digital, 124. enforcement, 125. underway, 126. corporate, 127. compete, 128. entirely, 129. disrupt

130. r_p a notebook apart *v.* to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly
131. financial a_d *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
132. a br__d mind *adj.* very wide; general
133. an und_____ng cause of an accident *adj.* significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly
134. h__k through the jungle *v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
135. an app_____te time *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
136. cry_____ncy boom *n.* any system of electronic money that does not rely on any central authority to uphold or maintain it
137. son_____er's album *n.* a person who writes songs, particularly lyrics, and music for popular music or other genres
138. up_____al of society *n.* great change, disruption, or disturbance; (geology) a rise of land to a higher elevation
139. ex_____e a bold strategy *v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.
140. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 130. rip, 131. aid, 132. broad, 133. underlying, 134. hack, 135. appropriate, 136. cryptocurrency, 137. songwriter, 138. upheaval, 139. execute, 140. intellect

141. im_____le characteristics *adj.* unchanging; permanent or unalterable
142. digital cu_____cy *n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country
143. ro_____y income *n.* revenue derived from the use of a patent, copyright, or other right; the people who are the family of a king and queen
144. an en_____ng smile *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
145. se____e a dispute *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
146. ri_____ne melody *n.* a sound or melody that plays on a mobile phone to indicate an incoming call or message
147. en_____t message *v.* to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons
148. eco_____al use of her time *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
149. an endless st____m of cars *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
150. employee da_____se *n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily
151. lo____e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

ANSWERS: 141. immutable, 142. currency, 143. royalty, 144. engaging, 145. settle, 146. ringtone, 147. encrypt, 148. economical, 149. stream, 150. database, 151. locate

152. re_____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
153. aut_____ate documents *v.* to confirm or verify the validity or authenticity of something; to prove or establish that something is genuine or true
154. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
155. ex_____ge a few friendly words *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
156. na___e to Africa *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
157. sh__d lettuce for a salad *v.* to tear or cut something into a small pieces; (noun) a tiny or scarcely detectable amount
158. the set_____nt of a dispute *n.* an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.
159. rep_____on risk *n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors

ANSWERS: 152. replace, 153. authenticate, 154. distribute, 155. exchange, 156. native, 157. shred, 158. settlement, 159. reputation

160. electronic de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
161. philanthropic la____s *n.* generous giving or bestowing of gifts, especially in a philanthropic or charitable manner; a generous or abundant amount
162. nat_____ate autonomy *n.* a sovereign political entity that is composed of a nation, which is a group of people who share a common cultural, linguistic, or ethnic identity
163. hou_____ing duties *n.* the management and upkeep of a household, hotel, or other living or working space, including cleaning, maintenance, organization, and other related tasks
164. sim_____sly affected *adv.* at the same time
165. AI expert *n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation
166. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

ANSWERS: 160. device, 161. largess, 162. nation-state, 163. housekeeping, 164. simultaneously, 165. AI, 166. democracy

167. basin-shaped va___y *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
168. re_____e a composition *v.* to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information
169. se_____ly connected *adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.
170. cu_____cy exchange *n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country
171. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
172. food de__t *n.* a place or a building where goods, materials, or equipment are stored, manufactured, or distributed; a transportation hub where buses or trains start or end their journeys
173. un_____ne a good relationship *v.* to make someone or something less powerful, less effective, weaker gradually; to make someone's fame, confidence, or authority less effective or weaker gradually
174. personal le___r *n.* a book or computer program used to keep track of financial transactions; a collection of records or accounts kept in such a book or program
175. a wire g__d *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

ANSWERS: 167. valley, 168. rewrite, 169. secondly, 170. currency, 171. platform, 172. depot, 173. undermine, 174. ledger, 175. grid

176. tr____ct in cash *v.* to carry out or conduct a business or other transaction; to complete or fulfill an agreement, deal, or contract
177. ma____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
178. a spotted p__y *n.* a small horse
179. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
180. common in _____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
181. employment co____ct *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
182. accordance with app_____le law *adj.* fit or suitable to be applied; having relevance to a person or thing
183. regular rep_____nt of tires *n.* the act of replacing something with something else, especially that is newer or better; a person or thing that takes or can take the place of another
184. in____t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
185. ex____ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

ANSWERS: 176. transact, 177. massive, 178. pony, 179. vast, 180. invention, 181. contract, 182. applicable, 183. replacement, 184. invest, 185. exchange

186. military di____or *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
187. a rid_____us suggestion *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
188. cr__b of information *n.* a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something
189. di____t a well-ordered condition *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
190. tr____ct internationally *v.* to carry out or conduct a business or other transaction; to complete or fulfill an agreement, deal, or contract
191. research in_____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
192. co_____e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
193. financial int_____ary *n.* a person or organization that acts as a go-between or mediator in negotiations or transactions between two or more parties; a middleman, a broker, or an agent who facilitates communication, trade, or dealings
194. 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

ANSWERS: 186. dictator, 187. ridiculous, 188. crumb, 189. disrupt, 190. transact,

191. institute, 192. confuse, 193. intermediary, 194. economy

195. bankrupt cr____or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
196. ex____e all other possibilities *v.* to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity
197. st____y benefits package for employees *adj.* unwilling to spend or give freely; characterized by an excessive unwillingness to share or be generous
198. a vi____l image *adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
199. in____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
200. in____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
201. sp____k his interest *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
202. give app____le examples *adj.* fit or suitable to be applied; having relevance to a person or thing
203. ma____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
204. the in____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
205. pr____ng paragraph *adj.* occurring or coming before something or somebody in time or order; previous or former

ANSWERS: 195. creditor, 196. exclude, 197. stingy, 198. virtual, 199. institute, 200. invest, 201. spark, 202. applicable, 203. massive, 204. invention, 205. preceding

206. me___m color *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
207. the local chamber of co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
208. a h__p of trash *n.* an untidy pile or mass of something; a large number or amount or extent of something
209. ig___e a boom *v.* to set on fire; to cause to start burning
210. cr_____ia for action *n.* (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided
211. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
212. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
213. a grandchild of ro_____y *n.* revenue derived from the use of a patent, copyright, or other right; the people who are the family of a king and queen
214. answer co_____ss questions *adj.* too numerous to be counted or very many
215. mi__o bubble *n.* extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth
216. a public cor_____on *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

ANSWERS: 206. medium, 207. commerce, 208. heap, 209. ignite, 210. criteria, 211. industrious, 212. vast, 213. royalty, 214. countless, 215. micro, 216. corporation

217. si_____n wafer *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
218. pr_____e analyses *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
219. an eco_____al meal *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
220. a rid_____us amount of money *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
221. pr_____y abuse *n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
222. emerging nat_____ate *n.* a sovereign political entity that is composed of a nation, which is a group of people who share a common cultural, linguistic, or ethnic identity
223. the av____r of the authority *n.* (the concept in Hinduism) a god appearing in human or superhuman or animal form; a graphical representation of a user or the user's character or persona in online games, chat rooms, etc.
224. ind_____lly designed product *adv.* separately or apart from others
225. a fence sur_____ng a castle *adj.* that is near or around, or closely encircling something
226. he was en_____ly to blame *adv.* completely

ANSWERS: 217. silicon, 218. precise, 219. economical, 220. ridiculous, 221. privacy, 222. nation-state, 223. avatar, 224. individually, 225. surrounding, 226. entirely

227. sur_____ng areas *adj.* that is near or around, or closely encircling something
228. celebrity's la_____s *n.* generous giving or bestowing of gifts, especially in a philanthropic or charitable manner; a generous or abundant amount
229. s__t sand *v.* to put flour, sugar, etc. through a sieve (= a utensil consisting of a wire or plastic mesh in a frame) to remove lumps or large particles
230. w_x and wane *n.* a substance that is solid at room temperature but becomes softer and more pliable when heated, often used in the production of candles, polishes, and cosmetics; (verb) to become large
231. f__t agreement *n.* a formal authorization or order, typically given by a government, institution, or other authority figures; a decree or edict
232. liquid as__ts of the company *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
233. digital cry_____phy *n.* the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers
234. fe_____l funding *adj.* relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level

ANSWERS: 227. surrounding, 228. largess, 229. sift, 230. wax, 231. fiat, 232. asset, 233. cryptography, 234. federal

235. an_____us letter *adj.* having no known name, identity, or known source
236. r__y on convenience stores *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
237. ch__n reaction *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
238. en_____ng story *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
239. red_____ute data *v.* to share something among people in a different way
240. an advertising me___m *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
241. global b__d market *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
242. extra b__k *n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention
243. asy_____cal design *adj.* lacking symmetry or balance; unevenly or irregularly shaped; not corresponding in terms of quantity, size, or position
244. face inc_____gly complicated challenges *adv.* more and more

ANSWERS: 235. anonymous, 236. rely, 237. chain, 238. engaging, 239. redistribute, 240. medium, 241. bond, 242. buck, 243. asymmetrical, 244. increasingly

245. co_____t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
246. daily hou_____ing *n.* the management and upkeep of a household, hotel, or other living or working space, including cleaning, maintenance, organization, and other related tasks
247. attract br__d attention *adj.* very wide; general
248. other forms of com_____ion *n.* something especially money, given or received as payment or reparation for a service or loss or injury
249. tracking de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
250. em_____e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
251. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
252. just getting un_____ay *adj.* having started and currently in progress
253. in_____ce between gas and liquid *n.* (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things
254. mi__o force sensor *n.* extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth

ANSWERS: 245. conduct, 246. housekeeping, 247. broad, 248. compensation, 249. device, 250. embrace, 251. complicated, 252. underway, 253. interface, 254. micro

255. download ri____ne *n.* a sound or melody that plays on a mobile phone to indicate an incoming call or message
256. co____e against a friend *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
257. b__k the trend *n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention
258. di____ra community *n.* the scattering of a people who have left their traditional homeland
259. ag____an reform *adj.* relating to the cultivation of land or the raising of crops and animals; characterized by a society that relies on agriculture as its primary means of sustenance
260. ex____st political views *n.* a person who holds extreme political or religious views and who is willing to use violent or illegal methods to promote those views
261. lo____e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
262. an op____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
263. a demonstration in lo__c *n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

ANSWERS: 255. ringtone, 256. compete, 257. buck, 258. diaspora, 259. agrarian, 260. extremist, 261. locate, 262. opportune, 263. logic

264. linguistic xen_____ia *n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
265. sp_____y a cause *v.* to explain or state something clearly and exactly
266. answer questions ind_____lly *adv.* separately or apart from others
267. electronic rem_____ce *n.* the act of sending money or paying a debt; a sum of money sent as payment or as a gift
268. a g__d design *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
269. in_____te in supply *adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
270. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
271. en_____t data *v.* to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons
272. an und_____ng motive *adj.* significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly
273. ge__e lamp *n.* in Islamic mythology, a supernatural spirit that is usually depicted as being bound to serve a human master and possessing magical powers; a creature or a force that can grant wishes or fulfill desires

ANSWERS: 264. xenophobia, 265. specify, 266. individually, 267. remittance, 268. grid, 269. infinite, 270. identify, 271. encrypt, 272. underlying, 273. genie

274. algebraic ine_____ty *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
275. co_____e an average score *v.* to make a mathematical calculation
276. an_____al roots *adj.* related to or connected with members of your family from the past
277. te_____y people *v.* to frighten someone very much
278. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
279. p__r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
280. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
281. co_____e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
282. ma_____me computer *n.* a large and powerful computer with a lot of memory used primarily by large organizations for critical applications
283. change the ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
284. mo_____ze my skill *v.* to earn money from something, such as an asset, business, etc.; to coin into money

ANSWERS: 274. inequality, 275. compute, 276. ancestral, 277. terrify, 278. politician, 279. peer, 280. discovery, 281. confuse, 282. mainframe, 283. ecosystem, 284. monetize

285. p__r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
286. co____e the value *v.* to make a mathematical calculation
287. res____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
288. consistency cr____ia *n.* (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided
289. trespass on a person's pr____y *n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
290. frozen as__ts *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
291. personal ide____ion number *n.* the act or process of recognizing, proving, or designating someone or something
292. tra____on balance *n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
293. ex____e a double play *v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.
294. va____te a passport *v.* to check or prove that something is true; to make something officially or legally acceptable or approved
295. ext____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

ANSWERS: 285. peer, 286. compute, 287. responsible, 288. criteria, 289. privacy, 290. asset, 291. identification, 292. transaction, 293. execute, 294. validate, 295. extraordinary

296. earn his lo____y *n.* the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something
297. w_x finish *n.* a substance that is solid at room temperature but becomes softer and more pliable when heated, often used in the production of candles, polishes, and cosmetics; (verb) to become large
298. dis_____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
299. ma_____me operating system *n.* a large and powerful computer with a lot of memory used primarily by large organizations for critical applications
300. majority of his we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
301. weapon de__t *n.* a place or a building where goods, materials, or equipment are stored, manufactured, or distributed; a transportation hub where buses or trains start or end their journeys
302. pr_____ng year *adj.* occurring or coming before something or somebody in time or order; previous or former
303. draft a pr_____ol *n.* a set of rules or procedures for transmitting data or conducting a process or activity, especially in computer networks or scientific experiments; the initial or original version of an agreement

ANSWERS: 296. loyalty, 297. wax, 298. distribute, 299. mainframe, 300. wealth, 301. depot, 302. preceding, 303. protocol

304. economic pro_____ty *n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune
305. a China-based jou_____st *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
306. material we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
307. sp_____y an option *v.* to explain or state something clearly and exactly
308. stock market spe_____or *n.* a person who invests in a venture with the hope of making a profit, often taking on significant risks; someone who engages in speculation
309. 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
310. col_____ion platform *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
311. di_____ra migration *n.* the scattering of a people who have left their traditional homeland
312. country-by-country a_d programs *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
313. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

ANSWERS: 304. prosperity, 305. journalist, 306. wealth, 307. specify, 308. speculator, 309. economy, 310. collaboration, 311. diaspora, 312. aid, 313. extraordinary

314. fe_____l regulations *adj.* relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level
315. radical ex_____st *n.* a person who holds extreme political or religious views and who is willing to use violent or illegal methods to promote those views
316. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
317. in_____te appetite *adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
318. he_____at abnormality *n.* the regular movement or sound of the heart as it sends blood around the body; an animating or vital unifying force
319. unemployment com_____ion *n.* something especially money, given or received as payment or reparation for a service or loss or injury
320. trading of vi_____l currencies *adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
321. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
322. h__k into the program *v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks

ANSWERS: 314. federal, 315. extremist, 316. industrious, 317. infinite, 318. heartbeat, 319. compensation, 320. virtual, 321. mass, 322. hack

323. de____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
324. ca____n emission *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
325. top of the h__p *n.* an untidy pile or mass of something; a large number or amount or extent of something
326. a man of pr____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
327. co____ss hours *adj.* too numerous to be counted or very many
328. mo____ze nickel *v.* to earn money from something, such as an asset, business, etc.; to coin into money
329. lack in mo____ty *n.* the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another
330. fortune-te____r *n.* a person who works in a bank or financial institution and is responsible for processing customers' deposits, withdrawals, and other transactions, also referred to as a bank teller; a person who tells stories or relates information to an audience

ANSWERS: 323. develop, 324. carbon, 325. heap, 326. property, 327. countless, 328. monetize, 329. mobility, 330. teller

331. a ticket va__d for two days *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
332. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
333. r_p a hole in the roof *v.* to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly
334. digital av__r *n.* (the concept in Hinduism) a god appearing in human or superhuman or animal form; a graphical representation of a user or the user's character or persona in online games, chat rooms, etc.
335. red_____ute income fairly *v.* to share something among people in a different way
336. a fur s__l *v.* to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed
337. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
338. an an_____al graveyard *adj.* related to or connected with members of your family from the past
339. sw_____ng landscapes *adj.* extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures

ANSWERS: 331. valid, 332. mass, 333. rip, 334. avatar, 335. redistribute, 336. seal, 337. discovery, 338. ancestral, 339. sweeping

340. ca____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
341. trusted mi_____an *n.* a person who acts as an intermediary between two or more parties, often facilitating the exchange of goods or services and taking a commission or fee for their services
342. the cr____or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
343. asy_____cal haircut *adj.* lacking symmetry or balance; unevenly or irregularly shaped; not corresponding in terms of quantity, size, or position
344. va___y bottom *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
345. risky spe_____or *n.* a person who invests in a venture with the hope of making a profit, often taking on significant risks; someone who engages in speculation
346. a va__d contract *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
347. te___r machine *n.* a person who works in a bank or financial institution and is responsible for processing customers' deposits, withdrawals, and other transactions, also referred to as a bank teller; a person who tells stories or relates information to an audience
348. marine ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

ANSWERS: 340. capture, 341. middleman, 342. creditor, 343. asymmetrical, 344. valley, 345. speculator, 346. valid, 347. teller, 348. ecosystem

349. st___y with money

adj. unwilling to spend or give freely;
characterized by an excessive
unwillingness to share or be generous

350. an ag_____te of people

n. a collection or sum of different things
often used to describe a total or
combination of items

ANSWERS: 349. stingy, 350. aggregate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as _____ but was later proven correct.
adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
2. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
3. 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
4. The storm left a _____ of destruction behind it.
n. a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
5. He explored ways to _____ his digital content.
v. to earn money from something, such as an asset, business, etc.; to coin into money
6. You must _____ with others to obtain this position.
v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
7. The _____ had received a mild snowfall the previous week.
n. a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

ANSWERS: 1. ridiculous, 2. identify, 3. economy, 4. trail, 5. monetize, 6. compete, 7. valley

8. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.
v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
9. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.
adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
10. The _____ government announced new regulations to protect the environment.
adj. relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level
11. It is more _____ to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.
adj. providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
12. A sense of humor is an invaluable _____ in this job.
n. something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
13. She is the _____ president of the company.
adj. being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
14. The _____ size shirt fits him perfectly.
adj. of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
15. The laws of physics are _____ they never change.
adj. unchanging; permanent or unalterable

ANSWERS: 8. recognize, 9. vast, 10. federal, 11. economical, 12. asset, 13. virtual, 14. medium, 15. immutable;

16. The security system requires users to _____ their identity before gaining access.

- v.* to confirm or verify the validity or authenticity of something; to prove or establish that something is genuine or true

17. It would be _____ to dress nicely for the wedding.

- adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

18. I'm so sorry to _____ you when you're pretty busy.

- v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

19. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

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

20. No one believed in the _____ existence until he appeared in front of them.

- n.* in Islamic mythology, a supernatural spirit that is usually depicted as being bound to serve a human master and possessing magical powers; a creature or a force that can grant wishes or fulfill desires

21. I need to _____ some business at the bank before it closes.

- v.* to carry out or conduct a business or other transaction; to complete or fulfill an agreement, deal, or contract

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

- n.* a thing or things that belong to someone

23. He that would eat the kernel must _____ the nut.

- v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

ANSWERS: 16. authenticate, 17. appropriate, 18. disrupt, 19. Democracy, 20. genie's, 21. transact, 22. property, 23. crack

24. There are _____ methods for dealing with stress.

adj. too numerous to be counted or very many

25. _____ design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.

adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry

26. The _____ mountains make the city difficult to be invaded.

adj. that is near or around, or closely encircling something

27. I forgot to silence my phone during the meeting, and everyone heard my embarrassing _____.

n. a sound or melody that plays on a mobile phone to indicate an incoming call or message

28. The aspiring _____ spent hours every day composing and practicing his music.

n. a person who writes songs, particularly lyrics, and music for popular music or other genres

29. The _____ payments for the use of the patented technology were quite high.

n. revenue derived from the use of a patent, copyright, or other right; the people who are the family of a king and queen

30. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

31. She has a good _____ for being one of the best chefs in the city.

n. the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors

ANSWERS: 24. countless, 25. Industrial, 26. surrounding, 27. ringtone, 28. songwriter, 29. royalty, 30. mass, 31. reputation

32. They tried to _____ her position by slandering her.
- v.* to make someone or something less powerful, less effective, weaker gradually; to make someone's fame, confidence, or authority less effective or weaker gradually
33. This conduct would be an invasion of _____.
- n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
34. I spotted a majestic _____ with large antlers standing at the forest's edge.
- n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention
35. The cost for the trip _____ food and beverages.
- v.* to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity
36. The _____ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.
- n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
37. He has always shown great _____ to his friends and family.
- n.* the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something
38. _____ is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.
- n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
39. IBM has consistently been a significant supplier of _____ for a long time.
- n.* a large and powerful computer with a lot of memory used primarily by large organizations for critical applications

ANSWERS: 32. undermine, 33. privacy, 34. buck, 35. excludes, 36. chain, 37. loyalty, 38. Silicon, 39. mainframes

40. Babies heavily _____ on others for food.

v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

41. Firstly, we will discuss the budget; _____ we will go over the schedule.

adv. used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.

42. _____ pattern roads often appear in urban areas.

n. a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

43. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.

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

44. She was disbarred for her _____ in fraud.

adj. attracting, pleasant, or charming

45. Your credit card is no longer _____.

adj. having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable

46. To _____ your purchase, please visit the following link.

v. to check or prove that something is true; to make something officially or legally acceptable or approved

47. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.

v. to take the place of something

ANSWERS: 40. rely, 41. secondly, 42. Grid, 43. wealth, 44. engaging, 45. valid, 46. validate, 47. replace

48. The software engineers developed a new _____ algorithm to protect users' data.
- n.* the study of the techniques and methods used for secure communication and information processing, particularly using codes and ciphers
49. The _____ of the payment was delayed due to a technical error.
- n.* the act of sending money or paying a debt; a sum of money sent as payment or as a gift
50. They had formed a friendship _____.
- n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
51. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.
- adv.* completely
52. Many businesses now accept _____ as a form of payment.
- n.* a digital or virtual currency that uses cryptography for secure financial transactions, control of additional unit creation, and verification of asset transfers, which operates independently of centralized banking systems and is based on a decentralized ledger technology called blockchain
53. The woods _____ the house.
- v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
54. The evolution of processors has dramatically improved the performance of ____.
- n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation

ANSWERS: 48. cryptography, 49. remittance, 50. bond, 51. entirely, 52. Bitcoin, 53. embrace, 54. AI

55. Four companies were amalgamated into a single _____.
- n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
56. Foreign TV crews and _____ can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.
- n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
57. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
- adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
58. The trade _____ remained adamant about its demands.
- n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
59. She was _____ about her friend's intentions.
- adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
60. The _____ in society makes it hard for immigrants to assimilate and integrate.
- n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
61. Two students answered the teacher's question _____.
- adv.* at the same time
62. His estate was _____ to his sons.
- v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

ANSWERS: 55. corporation, 56. journalists, 57. opportune, 58. union, 59. uncertain, 60. xenophobia, 61. simultaneously, 62. distributed

63. Our goal must be to achieve a peaceful _____.

- n.* an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.

64. She received several _____ calls.

- adj.* having no known name, identity, or known source

65. The train _____ was a hub for commuters and travelers.

- n.* a place or a building where goods, materials, or equipment are stored, manufactured, or distributed; a transportation hub where buses or trains start or end their journeys

66. Her research team made an important _____.

- n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

67. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.

- v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

68. Evidence submitted by attorneys is _____ due to a lack of objectivity.

- adj.* very weak or slight that it hardly exists

69. A person's cyberspace _____ often represents the appearance and behavior that the person wants to be.

- n.* (the concept in Hinduism) a god appearing in human or superhuman or animal form; a graphical representation of a user or the user's character or persona in online games, chat rooms, etc.

70. My sister and I frequently _____ books, as we love reading.

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

ANSWERS: 63. settlement, 64. anonymous, 65. depot, 66. discovery, 67. locate, 68. tenuous, 69. avatar, 70. exchange

71. The auditor checked every entry in the _____ for accuracy.
- n.* a book or computer program used to keep track of financial transactions; a collection of records or accounts kept in such a book or program
72. The company signed a _____ with the supplier for the delivery of goods.
- n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
73. To protect their sensitive information, many businesses _____ their files.
- v.* to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons
74. Each country's officials can access the central _____.
- n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily
75. The chairperson was responsible for _____ committees.
- v.* to order someone to come to or be present at a specific place such as a court, or to arrange a meeting formally
76. Night fishing has a lot of _____.
- n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
77. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.
- adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
78. You can _____ the font color by clicking the Color tab.
- v.* to explain or state something clearly and exactly

ANSWERS: 71. ledger, 72. contract, 73. encrypt, 74. database, 75. summoning, 76. rewards, 77. digital, 78. specify

79. This region has many _____ offering higher education.
- n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
80. 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
81. He didn't meet all the _____ but he was hired anyway.
- n.* (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided
82. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.
- adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
83. Detergent weakens the surface tension at the _____ of two liquids.
- n.* (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things
84. A _____ of old clothes was lying in the room.
- n.* an untidy pile or mass of something; a large number or amount or extent of something
85. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the _____.
- n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

ANSWERS: 79. institutes, 80. enforcement, 81. criteria, 82. complicated, 83. interface, 84. heap, 85. ecosystem

86. The _____ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.
adj. of or relating to a large company
87. Some people argue that the rise of globalization has weakened the power of _____.
n. a sovereign political entity that is composed of a nation, which is a group of people who share a common cultural, linguistic, or ethnic identity
88. The _____ group planned a series of violent attacks to push its agenda.
n. a person who holds extreme political or religious views and who is willing to use violent or illegal methods to promote those views
89. The recent political _____ has left the country in a state of chaos.
n. great change, disruption, or disturbance; (geology) a rise of land to a higher elevation
90. The _____ timing of her job offer allowed her to easily transition from one job to another without any gaps in employment.
adj. favorable or advantageous; presenting favorable conditions or opportunities for success
91. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.
adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
92. The _____ principle of every business was identical.
adj. significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly
93. 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: 86. corporate, 87. nation-states, 88. extremist, 89. upheaval, 90. propitious, 91. extraordinary, 92. underlying, 93. government

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

v. to frighten someone very much

95. This regulation is not _____ to minors.

adj. fit or suitable to be applied; having relevance to a person or thing

96. Each department has done its product costing _____.

adv. separately or apart from others

97. The CEO's generous _____ allowed the employees to enjoy extravagant bonuses.

n. generous giving or bestowing of gifts, especially in a philanthropic or charitable manner; a generous or abundant amount

98. Electronic _____ remain incomplete due to system errors.

n. an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something

99. There is not a _____ of evidence that he is guilty.

v. to tear or cut something into a small pieces; (noun) a tiny or scarcely detectable amount

100. The archaeologist ran his _____ along the pattern of the tombstones.

n. the end or tip of a finger

101. He sealed the letter with a _____ seal.

n. a substance that is solid at room temperature but becomes softer and more pliable when heated, often used in the production of candles, polishes, and cosmetics; (verb) to become large

ANSWERS: 94. terrify, 95. applicable, 96. individually, 97. largess, 98. transactions, 99. shred, 100. fingertips, 101. wax

102. There's no _____ in his description.

- n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

103. The general _____ the troops more strategically.

- v.* to share something among people in a different way

104. New York is the commercial _____ of America.

- n.* the regular movement or sound of the heart as it sends blood around the body; an animating or vital unifying force

105. This blog offers a variety of tips for _____ everyday life.

- v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks

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

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

107. The _____ used in this country is the Euro.

- n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country

108. The land _____ purchased large tracts of land in anticipation of future development.

- n.* a person who invests in a venture with the hope of making a profit, often taking on significant risks; someone who engages in speculation

109. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

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

ANSWERS: 102. logic, 103. redistributed, 104. heartbeat, 105. hacking, 106. ancestral, 107. currency, 108. speculator, 109. develop

110. The mafioso who collaborated with the police was _____.

- v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.

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

- v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity

112. This company has invested heavily in Internet _____.

- n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

113. The _____ of the Jewish people has led to a worldwide community.

- n.* the scattering of a people who have left their traditional homeland

114. The hotel's _____ staff does a great job keeping the rooms clean and tidy.

- n.* the management and upkeep of a household, hotel, or other living or working space, including cleaning, maintenance, organization, and other related tasks

115. The _____ shape of the vase made it unique and exciting.

- adj.* lacking symmetry or balance; unevenly or irregularly shaped; not corresponding in terms of quantity, size, or position

116. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

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

117. Among young people, _____ pressure can be pretty influential.

- n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability

ANSWERS: 110. executed, 111. conduct, 112. commerce, 113. diaspora, 114. housekeeping, 115. asymmetrical, 116. intellect, 117. peer

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

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

119. He's always been _____ with his time and rarely tries to spend it with his family.

adj. unwilling to spend or give freely; characterized by an excessive unwillingness to share or be generous

120. The car manufacturer announced a new _____ model that will be released next year.

n. a formal authorization or order, typically given by a government, institution, or other authority figures; a decree or edict

121. The _____ views from the mountaintop were breathtaking.

adj. extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures

122. He _____ the fireworks with a single spark.

v. to set on fire; to cause to start burning

123. Trees absorb _____ dioxide and give off oxygen.

n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

124. The _____ lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

125. He accumulated wealth across a _____ spectrum of assets.

adj. very wide; general

ANSWERS: 118. capture, 119. stingy, 120. fiat, 121. sweeping, 122. ignited, 123. carbon, 124. politician, 125. broad

126. A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the _____.
- n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
127. The partnership program requires a mutual _____ between both agencies.
- n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
128. The _____ in the real estate deal ensured a smooth and fair transaction.
- n.* a person who acts as an intermediary between two or more parties, often facilitating the exchange of goods or services and taking a commission or fee for their services
129. He _____ the letter with hot wax.
- v.* to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed
130. The content is _____ and informative for me.
- adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
131. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.
- n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
132. Eye movements complicate _____ by retinal scanning.
- n.* the act or process of recognizing, proving, or designating someone or something
133. He claimed _____ for the injury.
- n.* something especially money, given or received as payment or reparation for a service or loss or injury

ANSWERS: 126. dictator, 127. collaboration, 128. middleman, 129. sealed, 130. precise, 131. identity, 132. identification, 133. compensation

134. The _____ between the buyer and the seller helped them agree.

- n.* a person or organization that acts as a go-between or mediator in negotiations or transactions between two or more parties; a middleman, a broker, or an agent who facilitates communication, trade, or dealings

135. This project has been _____ for several years.

- adj.* having started and currently in progress

136. This approach employs both _____ and macro analysis methods.

- n.* extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth

137. I don't want to _____ for second best.

- v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement

138. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.

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

139. The news of her promotion _____ her.

- v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

140. Many European citizens living in the UK are concerned about their rights post-_____.

- n.* (short for "British exit") the United Kingdom's decision to leave the European Union (EU), which originates from a nationwide referendum held in the UK on June 23, 2016, in which 51.9% of voters chose to leave the EU

141. We all should learn how to _____ stress.

- v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

ANSWERS: 134. intermediary, 135. underway, 136. micro, 137. settle, 138. platform, 139. excited, 140. Brexit, 141. handle

142. The battle had an _____ impact on the nation.

adj. unlimited or very great; impossible to measure

143. I need to _____ most of the essay with feedback from my teacher.

v. to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information

144. Necessity is the mother of _____.

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

145. 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

146. Pakistan's ___ budget was still being reviewed.

n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support

147. At this ranch, children can experience riding a _____.

n. a small horse

148. The search engine helps _____ information.

v. to put flour, sugar, etc. through a sieve (= a utensil consisting of a wire or plastic mesh in a frame) to remove lumps or large particles

149. The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate _____ turmoil in the stock market.

v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

ANSWERS: 142. infinite, 143. rewrite, 144. invention, 145. invest, 146. aid, 147. pony, 148. sift, 149. sparked

150. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

151. We demand his _____.

n. the act of replacing something with something else, especially that is newer or better; a person or thing that takes or can take the place of another

152. This war shattered dreams of peace and _____.

n. the state of being successful and having the good fortune

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

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

154. The engineer checked the log records' _____ to investigate the system's bug.

n. a record in printed or digital form that shows when a specific event happened, usually giving the date and time of day

155. _____ a society is an organism.

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

156. The bank _____ carefully counted the money before handing it to the customer.

n. a person who works in a bank or financial institution and is responsible for processing customers' deposits, withdrawals, and other transactions, also referred to as a bank teller; a person who tells stories or relates information to an audience

157. Cryptocurrencies are only one form of implementation of _____ technology.

n. a system in which a growing list of payment records, called blocks, made in cryptocurrency is maintained across several computers that are securely linked

ANSWERS: 150. responsible, 151. replacement, 152. prosperity, 153. massive, 154. timestamps, 155. Essentially, 156. teller, 157. blockchain

158. During transit, the stuff may ____ off the luggage tag.

v. to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly

159. Our company found it _____ difficult to keep up with the competition.

adv. more and more

160. Jet _____ are the common name for air currents that form high in the atmosphere.

n. a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.

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

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

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

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

163. To expand the company, we must ____ new human resources.

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

164. I tried to _____ the efficiency of the investment.

v. to make a mathematical calculation

165. The _____ community is becoming more diverse every year.

n. any system of electronic money that does not rely on any central authority to uphold or maintain it

ANSWERS: 158. rip, 159. increasingly, 160. streams, 161. industrious, 162. inequality, 163. tap, 164. compute, 165. cryptocurrency

166. My dog found a _____ on the floor and quickly ate it.

n. a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something

167. During the _____ quarter, the company experienced significant growth.

adj. occurring or coming before something or somebody in time or order; previous or former

168. I have limited _____ in my arms.

n. the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another

169. The vegetation here is almost wholly _____.

adj. connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

170. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.

n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

171. The _____ amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.

n. a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items

172. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

173. Her remarks _____ the debate.

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

ANSWERS: 166. crumb, 167. preceding, 168. mobility, 169. native, 170. device, 171. aggregate, 172. creditor, 173. confused

174. Most of the people in the _____ community work in agriculture.

adj. relating to the cultivation of land or the raising of crops and animals; characterized by a society that relies on agriculture as its primary means of sustenance

175. The company has a strict _____ for handling sensitive information to ensure security.

n. a set of rules or procedures for transmitting data or conducting a process or activity, especially in computer networks or scientific experiments; the initial or original version of an agreement

ANSWERS: 174. agrarian, 175. protocol